

10 October 2023

[REDACTED]

REF: OIA-13757

Dear [REDACTED]

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 2 October 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Please provide analysis (if any held) of the environmental impact of NZTA windscreen labels.

Part of your request for information regarding any potential plans to remove the labels was transferred to Te Manatū Waka Ministry of Transport on 10 October 2023, which will address that aspect of your request in due course.

I am refusing your request for analysis of the environmental impact of windscreen labels under section 18(g) of the Act because the information requested is not held by Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency and I have no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority.

I can, however, advise that the current labels we use are a result of Waka Kotahi working continuously with our suppliers to make this product and the manufacturing process as environmentally friendly as possible, while still being fit for purpose.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

In line with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Ministerial Services, by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Eric van der Plank', with a horizontal line underneath.

Eric van der Plank
Senior Manager Commercial Services