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Dear

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request on 9 June 2017 relating to swamp kauri. On 19 and 20 June 2017 you were provided with information from MPI's media team. The remaining matters related to your request, as confirmed by you on 21 June 2017, are addressed below:

"Can you provide details of swamp kauri milling permits issued in the past year? i.e. what's happening in the industry? Are the volumes of timber being extracted and exported growing or diminishing in comparison with previous years? Are there as many companies involved as there were in 2015?"

The information requested is publicly available in the quarterly reports on swamp kauri activity that are routinely published online at: <http://www.mpi.govt.nz/growing-and-producing/forestry/indigenous-forestry/swamp-kauri/>. The reports go back to the 1 April 2015 – 30 June 2015 quarter. The second quarter 2017 report will be published shortly.

According to our indigenous forestry database, 10 different operators or landowners applied for milling approval in 2015, which is the same number to date in 2017.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to refuse your request.

Yours sincerely

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