



OIA Ref: 2021-038

Privacy

29 July 2021

**Official information request for documents from Signature Consulting**

Kia ora Privacy

I refer to your Official Information Act (OIA) request of 25 June 2021 for:

*“a copy of the all of the correspondence that the Climate Change Commission sent to their consultant Signature Consulting, since the inception of the Commission.”*

As you know, on 1 July 2021, the Climate Change Commission (the Commission) emailed you, requesting that your clarify or refine your OIA request. On 5 July you responded, refining your OIA request as follows:

*“Under the Official Information Act, could I please request a copy of the all of the documents that the Climate Change Commission received from their consultant Signature Consulting, which is related to Te Ao Maori, the Treaty of Waitangi, Tikanga Maori or any other Maori related topics since the inception of the Commission.”*

Signature consulting has performed a range of work for the Commission. However, it has not provided the Commission any documents relating to Te Ao Maori, the Treaty of Waitangi, Tikanga Maori or any other Maori-related topics. As the the documents requested do not exist, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the OIA.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802

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