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Your Ref Re Overseas Investment Case Number 201810211/15

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Response to your official information request

Thank you for your official information request received on 9 February 2024 for:

- A copy of Kauri's farmland advertising exemption application; and
- All information held by LINZ/the regulator in relation to that application.

This request is in relation to Kauri Forestry LP's application for an exemption from farmland advertising (case number 202300321).

This request was rescoped on 14 February 2024 to include the following documents:

- Email correspondence between the Applicant's solicitor and LINZ;
- Assessment Report signed by the Ministers;
- Advertising details;
- The Application as submitted to LINZ via the Webform portal; and
- A letter from the Vendor in support of the application.

Please find attached a copy of these documents. Some information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of individuals and under section 9(2)(b)(ii) as the release of the information would be likely unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the persons who provided it. We are of the view the withholding of the information is not outweighed by the public interest to make that information available.

You sent an email on 15 February 2024 in which you asked: "On the assumption that the mortgage secures unpaid monies, my question was whether Kauri Forestry LP disclosed to LINZ / the regulator that it would owe money to the vendors."

The application disclosed that a mortgage will be registered on the title to the Land to protect the Vendor's interests. We have not been advised, nor was there any requirement under the consent that the applicant advise us, that this has occurred.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact oiio@linz.govt.nz

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note, this response letter outlining our decision on your request, **with your personal details withheld**, and any attached documentation will be published on the Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand's website. This is likely to be published within the next month.

Nāku noa, nā



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