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Mr Rob Cumming

By email: Rob Cumming foi+request-2844-6fa5b239@righttoknow.org.au

Dear Mr Cumming,

ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS UNDER THE *FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1982*

I refer to your email dated 13 December 2016 seeking access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (Cth) (the Act). Your request was:

In June 2010, the Australian Parliament increased the allocation of excise for avtur and avgas to CASA by increasing the excise level. Estimates at the time indicated in a four period, \$89.9m would be given to CASA until June 2014.

Since 2014, the levy has remained.

I require the evidence and final use of those funds by CASA in terms of:

1. Where expended;
2. Comparison with the source and the application of those funds in the following way:

July 2010 to June 2011
July 2011 to June 2012
July 2012 to June 2013
July 2013 to June 2014

and then:

July 2014 to June 2015
July 2015 to June 2016

I am the decision maker for your request and I have identified 31 pages of documents which fall within scope of your request. These documents are further detailed in the Schedule of documents.

The increase in the aviation fuel excise rate was to fund the following items:

- Testing for Alcohol and Other Drugs
- Technical and Regulatory Capability (Safety System Surveillance)
- CASA Board
- Office of Airspace Regulation
- Safety Standards Development and Maintenance

- Safety Specialists – New Technology and Pressures and Airspace and Aerodrome Regulation
- Safety Analysis Capability and Systems
- Technical and Training Capacity and Graduates

Spending against these items was tracked for the period 2010-11 to 2013-14, after which the funding became part of CASA's ordinary recurrent funding.

Redactions have been made to the spreadsheet titled 'Income Statement Summary'. The information contained in the redacted portions of the spreadsheet refers to matters that are outside the scope of your FOI request.

Documents released

Those documents which I have decided to release to you, subject to appropriate redactions, are enclosed with this letter.

Application for internal review of decision

Section 54 of the Act gives you the right to apply for an internal review of my decision. An application for internal review of my decision must be made in writing within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

No particular form is required, but it is desirable to set out in the application the grounds on which you consider that the decision should be reviewed. An application for review should be addressed to Freedom of Information at the address below:

Freedom of Information
Legal Services Division
Civil Aviation Safety Authority
GPO Box 2005, Canberra ACT 2601

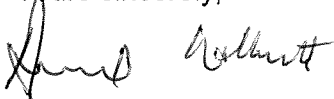
Review by the Australian Information Commissioner

Alternatively, under section 54L of the Act, you may apply to the Australian Information Commissioner to review my decision. An application for review by the Information Commissioner must be made in writing within 60 days of the date of this letter, and be lodged in one of the following ways:

online: <http://www.oaic.gov.au/freedom-of-information/requesting-a-review>
email: enquiries@oaic.gov.au
post: GPO Box 2999, Canberra ACT 2601
in person: Level 3, 175 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW
phone: 1300 363 992

Please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 6217 1281 if you have any questions in relation to your request.

Yours sincerely,



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Schedule of documents

No.	Date of document	Description of document	Decision
1	17/8/2012	Technical Capacity Summary	Release
2	21/8/2012	Graduate Program Summary FTE	Release
3	17/8/2012	Graduate Program Summary	Release
4	21/8/2012	Safety Analysis Capacity and System Summary FTE	Release
5	17/8/2012	Safety Analysis Capacity and System Summary	Release
6	21/8/2012	Technical Capacity Summary FTE	Release
7	17/8/2012	Airspace and Aerodromes Regulation Summary	Release
8	21/8/2012	New Technologies and Pressure Summary FTE	Release
9	17/8/2012	New Technologies and Pressure Summary FTE	Release
10	17/8/2012	Legal Summary	Release
11	21/8/2012	Supporting Capability Summary FTE	Release
12	17/8/2012	Supporting Capability Summary	Release
13	21/8/2012	Airspace and Aerodromes Regulation Summary FTE	Release
14	21/8/2012	Regulatory Development and Implementation Summary FTE	Release
15	10/8/2012	Regulatory Development and Implementation Summary	Release
16	21/8/2012	Legal Summary FTE	Release
17	21/8/2012	Total CASA Income Statement by Activity	Part exempt – not in scope
18	8/8/2012	2012-13 NPP funding	Release
19	21/8/2012	NPP Income Statement Summary – Full Year	Release
20	21/8/2012	Safety System Surveillance Summary FTE	Release
21	10/8/2012	Safety System Surveillance Summary	Release
22	21/8/2012	Allocations NPP Summary FTE	Release
23	20/8/2012	OAR Summary FTE	Release
24	10/8/2012	OAR Summary	Release
25	20/8/2012	AOD Summary FTE	Release
26	10/8/2012	AOD Summary	Release
27	10/8/2012	CASA Board Summary	Release
28	11/1/2017	NPP Breakdown – As at 30 June 2014	Release