24 April 2017

Via email: foi+request-3287-091fbda4@righttoknow.org.au

Dear Mr O'Dea

Freedom of information request no. 17-8

I refer to your request for access to documents relating to drug testing of AFL players under the *Freedom of Information Act* 1982 (*FOI Act*). As your request covers documents which contain information concerning the business, commercial or financial affairs of an organisation, or a person's business or professional affairs, the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (*ASADA*) is required to consult with the person or organisation concerned (under section 27 of the FOI Act) before making a decision on the release of those documents.

For this reason the period for processing your request has been extended by 30 days in order to allow our agency time to consult with that person or organisation (section 15(6) of the FOI Act). The processing period for your request will now end on **Wednesday 24 May 2017**.

The consultation mechanism under section 27 applies when we believe the person or organisation concerned may wish to contend that the requested documents are exempt because their release would disclose trade secrets or commercially valuable information or may adversely affect their business or financial affairs. We will take into account any comments we receive from the person or organisation but the final decision about whether to grant you access to the documents you requested rests with ASADA.

Yours sincerely

Susan Taylor Lawyer