



Our Ref: LS4912 ~ file 13/1184

Mr M Landauer
By email to foi+request-485-49df8575@righttoknow.org.au

Dear Mr Landauer

Freedom of information request No. LS4912

I refer to your request for access to documents relating to the Australian Electoral Commission (the 'AEC')'s decision about the internal review of the decision to refuse FOI Request No. LS4849 under the [Freedom of Information Act 1982](#) (the FOI Act).

I identified one document that fell within the scope of your request which is more fully described in the attached Schedule of Documents. I did this by checking the AEC's records in relation to the internal review of the decision to refuse FOI Request No. LS4849. This document is the scanned version of the letter dated 9 December 2013 from Mr Tom Rogers, Deputy Electoral Commissioner to Michael Cordover notifying Mr Cordover of the decision made about his request for internal review of the decision to refuse his FOI Request No. LS4849. It is a machine readable document.

For further information about what constitutes a reasonable search for documents, see the Guidelines issued by the Australian Information Commissioner under section 93A of the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (2010) Part 3 (Processing requests for access).

With regard to the document that you requested, I have decided to grant access in full for the reasons indicated in the attached Schedule of Document.

I also decided to waive imposing any charge in relation to giving you access to the document.

Your review rights

If you are dissatisfied with the searches we did to locate documents related to your request, you may apply for internal review or Information Commissioner review of the decision. We encourage you to seek internal review as a first step as it may provide a more rapid resolution of your concerns.

Internal review

Under section 54 of the FOI Act, you may apply in writing to the AEC for an internal review of my decision. The internal review application must be made within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Where possible please attach reasons why you believe review of the decision is necessary. The internal review will be carried out by another officer within 30 days.]

Information Commissioner review

Under section 54L of the FOI 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: <https://forms.australia.gov.au/forms/oaic/foi-review/>

email: enquiries@oaic.gov.au

post: GPO Box 2999, Canberra ACT 2601

in person: Level 3, 175 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW

More information about Information Commissioner review is available on the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner website. Go to www.oaic.gov.au/foi-portal/review_complaints.html#foi_merit_reviews.

QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS DECISION

If you wish to discuss this decision, please contact Owen Jones, Senior Lawyer whose contact details follow:

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I enclose the document that you requested.

Yours sincerely



Paul Pirani
Chief Legal Officer

10 January 2014

Attachments

1. *Schedule of documents;*
2. *LS4912 Released Document No. 1*

LS4912 SCHEDULE OF RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

Request for:

- the original machine readable document from which the document "LS4883 - file 13/945 Letter to M Cordover notifying decision 20131209" published on the Right To Know website at <https://www.righttoknow.org.au/request/435/response/1506/attach/7/LS4883%20Letter%20to%20M%20Cordover%20notifying%20decision%2020131209.pdf> was derived

| Document | Description | Date | Recommendation/Decision |
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| 1 | Letter from Tom Rogers, Deputy Electoral Commissioner to Michael Cordover notifying the decision made about the request for internal review of the decision to refuse FOI Request No. LS4849 | 9/12/2013 | <p>Document No. 1 is a true copy of the document from which "LS4883 - file 13/945 Letter to M Cordover notifying decision 20131209" published on the Right To Know website at https://www.righttoknow.org.au/request/435/responses/1506/attach/7/LS4883%20Letter%20to%20M%20Cordover%20notifying%20decision%2020131209.pdf was derived.</p> <p>Document No. 1 does not contain exempt material. It has been published by Mr Cordover on the Right To Know website at https://www.righttoknow.org.au/request/435/responses/1506/attach/7/LS4883%20Letter%20to%20M%20Cordover%20notifying%20decision%2020131209.pdf. It follows that it is reasonable to grant access in full to Document No. 1.</p> |
| | | | <p>I have decided to grant access in full to Document No. 1.</p> |