



25 June 2019

Guido Orefice

Sent via email: foi+request-5445-9826ae91@righttoknow.org.au

Dear Guido Orefice

Decision under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*

I refer to your request under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act) dated 26 May 2019 seeking access to the following:

- Information regarding the number of barrels of waste received from the former University of Melbourne Australian Radiation Laboratory site to date.

I note that on 7 June 2019 you agreed to limit the scope of your request 'to a list of the barrels maintained by the Radiation Safety Officer'.

I am an officer authorised under section 23 of the FOI Act to make decisions with respect to applications for access to documents under the FOI Act and this letter sets out my decision on your request.

Decision

I have identified 1 document relevant to your request. This document is an excel spreadsheet of the drums maintained by the Radiation Safety Officer. I have decided to release this document in full.

Review Rights

You are entitled to seek review of this decision. Your rights in this regard are set out at Attachment A to this letter.

You may also complain to the Commonwealth Ombudsman about the way your request has been handled and Attachment A also sets out your rights of complaint and how to exercise them.

Contacts

If you require clarification of any of the matters set out in this letter please contact me via foi@arpansa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Gemma Larkins

Gemma Larkins
Legal Officer
Office of the General Counsel



ATTACHMENT A INTERNAL REVIEW OF DECISION BY ARPANSA

You have the right to apply for an internal review of this decision in accordance with Part VI of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act). If you make an application for review, the CEO of ARPANSA will appoint an officer of ARPANSA to conduct a review and make a completely fresh decision on the merits of the case.

If you wish to exercise this review right, you must apply in writing for a review of the decision within 30 days of receipt of this letter. You do not have to pay any fees or charges for internal review. No particular form is required to apply for review although it is desirable to set out in the application the grounds on which you consider that the decision should be changed.

The application for review of the decision should be sent to foi@arpansa.gov.au or:
FOI & Privacy Officer
ARPANSA
619 Lower Plenty Road
YALLAMBIE VIC 3085

If you make an application for internal review and a decision is not made by us within 30 days of receiving the application, the original decision will be deemed to be affirmed in accordance with section 54D of the FOI Act and you will be entitled to make an application to the Information Commissioner in accordance with sections 54L and 54M of the FOI Act. Similarly, if you are dissatisfied with ARPANSA’s decision on internal review, you may also apply for review of this decision to the Information Commissioner.

Review of Decision by the Australian Information Commissioner (AIC)

You do not have to seek an internal review of the decision directly from ARPANSA. You may wish to seek a review of the decision from the AIC. If so, you must apply in writing and you can lodge your application in a number of ways. More information is available on the AIC’s website at: <https://www.oaic.gov.au/freedom-of-information/foi-review-process>.

Complaints to the AIC or the Commonwealth Ombudsman

You may complain to the Commonwealth Ombudsman or the AIC concerning action taken by an agency in the exercise of the powers or the performance of functions under the FOI Act. There is no fee for making a complaint. The Ombudsman or the AIC will conduct a completely independent investigation of your complaint.

You may complain to the Ombudsman either orally, in person, on-line or in writing and to the AIC in writing or by completing the on-line form. Relevant addresses are:

Commonwealth Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601. Web: www.ombudsman.gov.au	The Australian Information Commissioner GPO Box 2999 OR GPO Box 5218 Canberra ACT 2601 Sydney NSW 2001 Web: https://www.oaic.gov.au/freedom-of-information/foi-complaints
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