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Wendy McGuinness
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Dear Wendy McGuinness

Thank you for your email, transferred to the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) from the Environmental Protection Authority on 3 August 2020, requesting information relating to AgResearch's approval for GM animals.

MPI will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 because consultations necessary to make a decision on your request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the normal 20 working day time limit.

MPI will reply to your request by no later than 2 October 2020, earlier if possible.

Should you have any concerns with this extension, I would encourage you to raise these with the Ministry for Primary Industries at Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143 or at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Morehu', with a long, sweeping tail.

Michelle Morehu
Director Government Services