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Tēnā koe s ,

I refer to your email dated 16 June 2022, requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"...any information relating to Minister Shaw's push to phase out light ICE vehicle imports in the cabinet paper - incl what decisions were made, what advice was given, what meetings were had, and what the eventual cabinet paper was given, and any notes during consideration of this paper. As part of this, I would also like to request CPC 22 MIN 0088 and information regarding consideration of it"

Regarding the last part of your request, it appears that the weekly report item you referenced has a typo (our mistake); there is no CPC 22 MIN 0088. However, there is a related minute, CPC 22 MIN 0008, which I have included this in the documents considered for release.

As you are aware, we extended your request by 15 days due to the consultations needed to make a decision on the request were such that a proper response to the request could not reasonably be made within the original time limit.

All information and documents relevant to this request are being withheld under

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to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Minsters of the Crown and officials

The Ministry of Transport follows the Cabinet Office circular CO 18(4) which directs that all Cabinet and Cabinet Committee papers and minutes be proactively released and published online within 30 business days of final decisions being taken by Cabinet. This is the case "unless there is good reason not to publish". I expect that the documents considered for this OIA will be released in alignment with this guidance.

The information and documents assessed for this request were limited to that which Te Manatū Waka Ministry of Transport holds. You may find it useful to contact the Ministry for the Environment for documents specific to Minister Shaw.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

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Nāku noa, nā

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