

Dear [REDACTED]

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment has transferred a partial request to the Ministry of Transport under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). The Ministry of Transport will be responding to points 5, 6 and 7 of your request:

5. *A schedule of when and which public servants met with representatives of Northport Limited or Marsden Maritime Holdings.*
6. *A schedule of when and which ministers met with representatives of Northport Limited or Marsden Maritime Holdings.*
7. *Any and all papers provided to ministers for any meetings they had with Northport Limited or Marsden Maritime Holdings Limited's respective board or leadership teams.*

Officials from the Ministry of Transport met with Northport for a site visit on 25 May 2021. Present at this site visit was me, Harriet Shelton, Manager, Supply Chain, Tony Frost, Principal Adviser and the Minister of Transport, Hon Michael Wood. The Minister of Transport has also had two phone calls with Northport on 29 September 2021 and 2 February 2022.

The Ministry of Transport have not provided any papers to the Minister of Transport for these engagements.

You may be interested to know that the Port Chief Executive's Group meets around New Zealand quarterly. Ministry of Transport officials typically attend these, updating the Group on relevant pieces of Ministry work (for example, National Freight and Supply Chain Strategy, work on decarbonisation etc). Jon Moore, or another senior leader from Northport, usually attend these Group meetings.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint about the extension to the Ombudsman. You can make a complaint by email (info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or post (PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143).

Yours sincerely



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