



**ACT**  
Government

Environment, Planning and  
Sustainable Development

Reference: 17/24527



Dear [REDACTED]

**Freedom of Information Request – 17/34527 – Correspondence from Commonwealth – West Basin Project**

I refer to your application under section 14 of the *Freedom of Information Act 1989* (the Act), received by the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD) on 20 July 2017, in which you requested:

*“correspondence from the Commonwealth regarding the West Basin project”.*

I am an officer authorised to make a decision in respect of a request for information, under section 22 of the Act.

**Decision**

The Directorate has identified 10 items in its possession that meet the scope of your request, as identified in the schedule attached to this letter.

The attached schedule outlines my decision regarding access to each of the documents identified as relevant to your request and the relevant exemptions applied. Documents are identified as either ‘partial release’ or ‘exempt’.

Exemptions have been applied under Section 34 (relations with Commonwealth and States) and section 41 (documents affecting personal privacy).

Some of the documents relate to negotiations with the Commonwealth. The release of these documents could reasonably be expected to damage relations with the Commonwealth, and they are thus exempt under section 34.

Some of the documents contain names, contact details and other information about persons. The release of this information would constitute an unreasonable disclosure of personal information and is thus exempt under section 41.

**Review rights**

My decision is reviewable under section 59 of the Act. If you wish to seek a review you may write to:

The Director-General  
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate  
GPO Box 158  
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Email: [EPSDFOI@act.gov.au](mailto:EPSDFOI@act.gov.au)

**Online FOI Publication Policy**

Please be aware that under the ACT Government's "Online FOI Publication Policy" (the Policy), information released to you under this Freedom of Information Application is to be published on the internet.

Personal information or business affairs information will not be made available under the policy. If you think the content of your request would contain such information, please inform our contact officer immediately.

A copy of the policy, with details about what information may be published on the internet, is available online at:

[http://www.cmd.act.gov.au/open\\_government/report/freedom\\_of\\_information\\_online](http://www.cmd.act.gov.au/open_government/report/freedom_of_information_online)

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact EPSDD's Customer Service Centre on (02) 6207 1923 and ask for the Information Management Team.

Yours sincerely



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