

Our Ref: CMA-FOI: 14-004



CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear

Re: Freedom of Information request

I write in response to your letter of 10 April 2014 regarding your request under the *Freedom* of *Information Act 1989* (the Act) for access to certain documents held by the Capital Metro Agency. In your letter you sought access to documents regarding the Capital Metro Agency gifts and benefits register.

In particular, you sought access to:

"All copies of all gifts and/or benefits declarations made by staff in the Agency".

I am the officer authorised under section 22 of the Act to make a decision in relation to your request.

Although the Act facilitates the objective of public access to documents, access is subject to a number of exemption provisions as set out by the Act.

Documents identified as meeting the description in your request are subject to exemption provisions as set out by section 41(1) of the Act.

Section 41(1) of the Act details that information may be exempt from release if its disclosure under the Act would unreasonably release personal information.

I have decided that one of the documents be fully released to you, while the remaining two documents be partially released to you in accordance with the abovementioned exemption provision. Please see the attached schedule detailing what will be released to you.

I have also assessed your request for information under the ACT Government's Online Freedom of Information Publication Policy and have determined that the documents relevant to your request, not including your original application, will be published online. For more information about the ACT Government's Online Freedom of Information Publication Policy, visit www.cmd.act.gov.au.

You have a right to seek a review of the outcome under section 59 of the Act. You have 28 days from the date of this letter, or such other period as the Director-General permits, to seek a review. This right of review extends to a review of the adequacy of the search for documents undertaken by the Directorate. If you wish to seek a review you should write to:

The Director-General
Capital Metro Agency
C/- Freedom of Information Officer
GPO Box 158
CANBERRA ACT 2601

You also have the right to complain to the Ombudsman about the processing of your request. If you wish to lodge a complaint you should write to:

The Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Yours sincerely

Glenn Bain Decision Maker Capital Metro Agency *GE* May 2014