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Mr Peter Malinauskas MP

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Dear Mr Malinauskas

I refer to your application pursuant to the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the Act) received by the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) on 23 November 2021, seeking access to:

“Copies of all credit card statements for credit cards held by all Executive Assistants/Personal Assistants in the Office of Chief Executive for the Department for Environment and Water. Copies of all documents and records including but not limited to financial statements, bank statements, credit card statements, briefings, minutes, correspondence, reports, emails, receipts, letters, and written notes of reimbursements paid to the Chief Executive of the Department for Environment and Water.

Timeframe: 25/03/2018 to 23/11/2021”.

Section 19(2a) of the FOI Act, provides that an agency may give access to a document on an application after the period within which it was required to deal with the application (and any such determination is to be taken to have been made under this Act).

DETERMINATION

Searches of the DEW's records have found one (1) document held by this agency within scope of your request.

I can confirm DEW does not hold any documents in relation to reimbursements paid to the Chief Executive of DEW.

As a DEW Accredited FOI Officer, I have determined to grant you full access to this document.

DEW will provide the determination electronically.

In accordance with [PC045 – Disclosure logs for Non-personal information](#) once a determination has been provided, the agency is required to make available on our website information and documents that have been disclosed. Information will be publicised online at <http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/about-us/freedom-of-information/foi-disclosure-log>.

FEES AND CHARGES

Pursuant to section 53(2)(b) of the Act and Regulation 6 of the *Freedom of Information (Fees and Charges) Regulations 2020* a determination is provided to Members of Parliament (MP) without charge in instances where the work generated by the applicant does not exceed the \$1000 threshold.

YOUR APPEAL RIGHTS

If you are dissatisfied with this determination, you are entitled to exercise your rights to internal review and appeal as outlined in the attached documentation, by completing the attached 'FOI Application Form – For Internal Review of a Determination'. If you decide to apply to exercise your rights to review, the completed form must be returned within 30 days to:

Chief Executive (Principal Officer FOI)
Department for Environment and Water
GPO Box 1047
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Should an FOI applicant believe an agency has failed to identify all of the documents within the scope of their FOI application, they can make a complaint to the Ombudsman under the Ombudsman Act 1972. Attachment 3 of this determination outlines this process. You can also visit: www.ombudsman.sa.gov.au

If you have any queries in relation to the above please contact a Freedom of Information Officer on telephone (08) 8463 6625 or email DEW.FOI@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



DYLAN SLAPE

Accredited Freedom of Information Officer, Department for Environment and Water

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Encl: 1. Document
 2. FOI Fact Sheet – Your Rights to Review and Appeal
 3. Sufficiency of Search – Factsheet – Ombudsman SA