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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION - REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the Act) which was received by the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure on 24 October 2019.

You have requested access to:

"Documents on SA car registrations each financial year since July 1, 2017 (eg. the past two financial years) containing the following information: • The number of cars registered; • The number of overdue notices and/or final notices sent out as a result of registration bills not being paid on time; • The amount collected in late fees; and • The number and a breakdown of reasons/special considerations provided for people who were unable to pay on time. Please exclude duplicates, documents that have already been publicly released, media statements/reports/articles and correspondence with media."

I have determined that access to all in scope information is granted and is enclosed.

In relation to "late fees" expired registrations can still be renewed. There are two options:

- Renew the registration for 3 or 12 months from the old expiry date. *In this situation, the vehicle is deemed to have been unregistered for the period between expiry and time of payment.*
- Elect to re-register for 3 or 12 months from the date of payment. Note, a higher administration fee (level 3 admin fee) will apply.

DPTI does not require clients to advise the reason for paying late, and so do not maintain a register of this information.

There is no ability to provide “special consideration’ allowing the vehicle to be registered by a client who cannot afford to pay. The Motor Vehicles Act requires that full payment must be made at the time of making application for registration.

Financial Year	number of light vehicles, heavy vehicles, trailers and motorcycles (separated) registered as at end of the financial year	Number of new registration, reregistration and registration renewal transactions for the financial year for all vehicles	Number of reminder notices sent for expired registrations for the financial year for all vehicles.	The amount of level 3 admin fees collected as part of registration renewal transactions for all vehicles
2017/18	Light vehicle = 1,329,893 Heavy vehicles = 67,349 Motorcycles = 45,741 Trailers = 348,661	4,278,371	469,728	\$6,101,592
2018/19	Light vehicle = 1,346,764 Heavy vehicles = 68,023 Motorcycles = 45,688 Trailers = 353,194	4,437,981	479,324	\$6,287,072

In accordance with Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, if you are given access to documents as a result of this FOI application, details of your application, and the documents to which access is given, will be published in the agency’s disclosure log within 90 days from the date of this determination. Any private information will be removed. A copy of PC045 can be found at <http://dpc.sa.gov.au/what-we-do/services-for-government/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. If you have any objection to this publication, please contact us within 30 days of receiving this determination.

Attached is an explanation of the provisions of the Act which details your rights to review this determination, and the process to be followed.

Should you have any enquiries concerning your application please contact

Yours sincerely



Sam Rodrigues
Accredited Freedom of Information Officer

06 October 2019

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991
YOUR RIGHTS TO REVIEW

INTERNAL REVIEW

If you are dissatisfied or concerned with the decision of this Agency regarding access to documents or the request for amendment to your personal records, you can apply for an Internal Review of that decision.

To apply for an Internal Review you must write a letter addressed to the Principal Officer or lodge an Internal Review application form with the Principal Officer of this Agency. The legislated application fee must accompany all applications, unless the fee was waived in the original Freedom of Information application, in which case there would be no fee payable for the application. The application must be lodged within 30 days after being notified of the decision.

The Agency will undertake the Internal Review and advise you of its decision within 14 days of receipt of the application.

Where the decision was made by the Minister or Principal Officer of the Agency, you are unable to request an Internal Review but you can apply for an External Review by the Ombudsman, or SACAT.

You are unable to apply for an Internal Review regarding a decision to extend the time limit for dealing with an application but you can apply for an External Review.

EXTERNAL REVIEW BY THE OMBUDSMAN

If the Agency does not deal with your Internal Review application within 14 calendar days (or you remain unhappy with the outcome of the Internal Review) you are entitled to an External Review by the Ombudsman SA.

You may also request an External Review by the Ombudsman if you have no right to an Internal Review.

The application for review by the Ombudsman should be lodged within 30 days after the date of a determination. The Ombudsman's Office, at their discretion, may extend this time limit.

Investigations by the Ombudsman are free. Further information is available from the Office of the Ombudsman by telephone on 8226 8699 or toll free 1800 182 150 (within SA).

REVIEW BY THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL (SACAT)

If you are still dissatisfied with the decision made by this Agency after an Internal Review or after a review by the Ombudsman, you can request a review from SACAT.

You must exercise your right of review to SACAT within 30 calendar days after being advised of the determination or the results of any other Internal or Ombudsman Review. Any costs will be determined by SACAT, where applicable. For more information, contact;

South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (SACAT)
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