

29<sup>th</sup> June 2008

**Dr. Hans Drielsma**

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Dear Sir,

**Freedom of Information - FOI08/6 Amended Request.**

Thank you for your letter dated 25/6/2008.

In paragraph 2 you state, *“Forestry Tasmania has sought genuinely to assist you. This has included the provision of information under FOI, and a personal visit by two of our local staff to further discuss and explain the information. My call of June 24 was with the intent to further respond to your subsequent letter.”*

**i) Genuinely to assist**

My letter to you on the 24<sup>th</sup> June indicates otherwise.

**ii) Provided information under FOI**

You provided me with some information. This again is mentioned in my above letter to you.

**iii) Personal visit by two of our local staff to further discuss and explain the information.**

This is not correct. I believe you have been wrongly advised as to the nature of their visit. Mr. Knox and Ms Becker came to our home and handed me some FOI information. When I looked at it, Mr. Knox stated he could not answer my questions and said I should take them up with you. That was the end of the discussion about my FOI request. Mr. Knox and Ms Becker did not come here with intention to discuss my FOI, as the remainder of the time (2 1/2 hours) was used (mostly by Mr. Knox), “.. to explain to me in some detail why burning remains an important tool in forest management...,” which had nothing at all to do with my FOI request.

**iv) Your call on June 24**

I have addressed this in my letter of the 24<sup>th</sup>.

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**v) “Dummy spit”**

On the telephone you said you would translate Forestry’s planned burn locations which had been released to me in “forestry code” that I had no means of deciphering.

Later on in the conversation you said you had withdrawn “all offers” when I would not bend to your demands to alter my Request a second time for specific information that you hold in relation to industry wide burns and notifications.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

Clive M. Stott