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ATT OAIC: FOI Extensions

Our ref: FOI 2013/17

I am writing to request a s 15AC extension for an FOI request made by applicant Mr Roberts contactable at malcolmr@conscious.com.au.

Details of the access request:

Mr Roberts lodged his revised FOI access request (in response to a s 24AB(2) notice) with CSIRO on 16 April 2013. Taking into account an extension to the processing period agreed to by the applicant under s 15AA, CSIRO was due to make a decision on the applicant's request by 30 April 2013.

I note the original request was received on the 15 February 2013 but the processing time was stopped as a s 24AB(2) notice was served.

The decision on the request is now deemed refused.

Period of s 15AA extension agreed to:

As we advised the OAIC on 9 April 2013, the applicant agreed to a 30 day extension under s 15AA and this is encompassed in the decision due date above.

Period of s 15AC extension sought:

CSIRO requests a 10 day extension under s 15AC. This would make the new due date for a decision 10 May 2013.

Reasons:

The reason for this request is that the revised request required additional searches. Those searches have now been completed, and the decision drafted.

Unfortunately, I was the decision maker in relation to this request and I was away on sick leave from work from 26 April 2013 until today, I did not have the opportunity to tell another CSIRO Officer to send the decision and I have apologised to the applicant for this inconvenience.

CSIRO has completed the decision and requires the s 15AC in order to ensure the decision is valid.

Yours sincerely

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