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## Request for official information relating to fluoridated water

Thank you for your request of 1 April 2015 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for a response to the question "please advise whether the Ministry of Health has undertaken any original research on water fluoridation and thyroid function. If so can the Minister please advise of this original research."

I have been advised that the Ministry of Health has not undertaken its own original research on the association between water fluoridation and thyroid function. However, the Ministry continues to monitor the local and international science on community water fluoridation and its health effects.

I trust this information fulfils your request.

Yours sincerely

Hon Peter Dunne

**Associate Minister of Health**