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Ref: 8672659

Jayne Stinson MP  
Member for Badcoe  
via email: [badcoe@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:badcoe@parliament.sa.gov.au)

Dear Ms Stinson

I refer to your application pursuant to the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the FOI Act), received by the Environment Protection Authority on 11 September 2020, requesting access to:

*All information relating to how much funding has been raised since the Solid Waste Levy was introduced on July 1 2019.*

On 28 September 2020 Principal Officer Freedom of Information, Tony Circelli granted an extension of time from 11 October 2020 to 2 November 2020 to process your request.

On 29 September 2020 an email was received from your office amending the scope of your application to:

*All information from relevant reports relating to how much funding has been raised since the Solid Waste Levy was introduced from 01/07/2019 to 11/09/2020.*

On 7 October 2020 the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) advised your office that details relating to waste levy raised from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 would be published on the Auditor General website on Tuesday 13 October 2020. This information is now publicly available. The EPA also advised the amount of the solid waste levy raised for July and August 2020, as this information is not yet publicly available. Your office has not advised if it requires further information regarding your request.

Section 20 (1) (b) states that “An agency may refuse access to a document, if it is a document that is available for inspection at that or some other agency (whether as part of a public register or otherwise).

Accordingly, pursuant to section 20(1) (b) of the FOI Act, I have determined to refuse access to documents requested as the information is available from the Auditor General website and was previously provided by the EPA.

In making my determination I have also taken the following factors into consideration:

- Pro-release of documents meets the objects of the FOI Act;
- The extent to which the information is already in the public domain

### **Review and appeal rights**

If you are unhappy with this determination you are entitled to apply for an internal review in accordance with section 29 of the FOI Act. To make an internal review application, please either write a letter or send the attached form entitled *Application for Review of Determination* to the Chief Executive of the Environment Protection Authority, Mr Tony Circelli, within 30 (calendar) days after you receive this letter.

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, may be published in the agency’s disclosure log. 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 queries about this determination please contact Mr Luciano Palumbo, Freedom of Information/Public Register Administrator on 8204 9128 or email [luciano.palumbo@sa.gov.au](mailto:luciano.palumbo@sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



Suzanne Behrendt

*Accredited Freedom of Information Officer*

**General Manager People and Performance**

**Environment Protection Authority**

Date: 30 November 2020