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Dear Vanessa

## FOI Request: Freedom of Information Request No. LEX2979

### Your FOI Request

On 6 June 2022 you wrote to the Australian Electoral Commission (**AEC**) seeking access under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act) to:

*The document specifying the methodology to be used for the ballot paper sampling process in the audit of Senate ballot papers. Not the process outline published here: [https://www.aec.gov.au/About\\_AEC/cea-notices/files/2022/s273AC-senate-assurance-methodology-fe2022.pdf](https://www.aec.gov.au/About_AEC/cea-notices/files/2022/s273AC-senate-assurance-methodology-fe2022.pdf) but the document referred to in the above document as "advice from the Australian Bureau of Statistics" and "ABS' guidance for calculating, analysing and reporting the statistical conclusions that can be drawn."*

### Identification of Documents

I identified one document that fell within the scope of your FOI Request (the 'Relevant Document'). I did this by contacting the relevant business area and requesting a copy of all relevant documents.

### Decision

Regarding the Relevant Document, I have decided to grant access in full. The Relevant Document is provided as a separate attachment to this decision.

More information, including my reasons for my decision, is set out in **Attachment A**.

### Review Rights

You are entitled to seek review of this decision. **Attachment B** sets out your rights to apply for review if you are dissatisfied with my decision.

Yours sincerely



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