

From: andris blums [andrisdg@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, 3 February 2008 5:58 PM
To: Irvine, Jill
Subject: PC EMAIL 5 -Re: bwi -figures as 30/6/07

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andris blums <andrisdg@yahoo.com> wrote:

Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2008 22:23:42 -0800 (PST)
From: andris blums <andrisdg@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fwd: Re: bwi -figures as 30/6/07
To: kelvin nash <kelvin.nash@oft.commerce.nsw.gov.au>
CC: sally baker <commissioner@oft.commerce.nsw.gov.au>

Thank u u are a gentlemen Mr Nash .

Re Infinity , I am not surprised that Infinity would wish to limit access to their work by having distribution limited of there covering note and I note that Mr Bruce Watson has replaced Mr Geoff Atkins .

The grounds Infinity advance are fallacious to say the least and border on the ridiculous .Will somebody steal there trademark which they use for business identification and marketing their services or will somebody unknown to then decide to produce their covering note as evidence in a court of law or ICAC in a foreshadowed submission

Be that as it may I would have thought that if a organ of govt publishes material in the public domain then that material as a public policy document should be fully accessible without restrictions imposed by outside private commercial interests who earn a fee for providing what purports to be expert comment on the issues as a matter of public policy dealing with issues of public interest .

That is in this case and all such instances no private interest can be allowed to censor that material or restrict access once the fee has been paid for the work as evidenced by the lack access of restriction to print on the previous figures as at 31/3/07

The fact that Infinity appear to have a funk re copying yet have no issue with their fees to me speaks volumes

In my view it was not appropriate for OFT to accede to this request in the first instance ,as a cynic would see this as indicative further evidence of capture of OFT by commercial interests and Infinity should be informed that the restriction on printing of there letter is to be immediately lifted on public interst grounds or alternatively they can return the fee for the actaurial brief if that's possible and OFT should engage a truly independent actuary with a open brief to review all the issues raised by the figures submitted by the insurers with no restrictions placed on that brief by the insurers as is clearly the case

now as even any numerical illiterate can see clearly that the figures are a statistical nonsense

I await your advise on the issues raised Mr Nash

Thank u Andris Blums

P.S this issue re Infinity is ideal for placement in the public domain be it a adjournment debate or some other mode of publication

P.S. 1 -copy to Mr Geoff Atkins and Mr Bruce Watson of Infinity

Kelvin Nash <Kelvin.Nash@oft.commerce.nsw.gov.au> wrote:

Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2008 09:45:06 +1100
From: "Kelvin Nash" <Kelvin.Nash@oft.commerce.nsw.gov.au>
To: "andris blums" <andrisdg@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: bwi -figures as 30/6/07

Dear Mr Blums

Copy of report attached as requested. The actuary requested that its letter/letterhead be secured. I will ask our computer people whether the security can be limited to the letter rather than the whole document.

Regards

Kel Nash

>>> andris blums andrisdg@yahoo.com> 22/01/2008 7:43 pm >>

dear Mr Nash ,have tried at several cafes for the computer illiterate like me to print the bwi figures as at 30/6/07 . a genuis has just showed me that both the thread u sent me and on ofts website the figures are password protected to prevent the figures from being printed

could you please provide me with a printable copy

thanks andris blums

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