Submissions in support of claiming a practical refusal exists under s 24 of the FOI Act

Please provide the completed document to the OAIC with the information the respondent is required to provide in accordance with paragraph [3.14] of the <u>Direction as to certain</u> <u>procedures to be followed by agencies and ministers in IC reviews</u> (the Procedure Direction). Completion of the following tables will be taken as the respondent's submissions in this IC review. The respondent is required to send these submissions to the applicant at the same time as they are sent to the OAIC (see the Procedure Direction at [3.23]).

Details of submission	
Agency reference	
OAIC reference	
Date submitted to OAIC	

Processing timeline and request consultation process (s 24AB)	
Event	Date
FOI request received	
Request consultation notice sent	
Applicant's response	
Further contacts with applicant (if relevant)	
Applicant notified of decision	
Internal review request received (if relevant)	
Internal review decision made (if relevant)	

Request consultation process (s 24AB) – Assistance provided to applicant (s 24AB(3)	
Information provided to applicant to assist revision of request. (For example, suggestions as to a scope that can be processed, directing to applicant to publicly available information, explanation about difficulties processing request. Please provide detail.)	
Telephone contact attempted with applicant. (Yes/no – if Yes please provide detail)	
Request revised during request consultation process (yes/no)	

Breakdown of	estimated processing time (minutes/hours)
Total number of documents	Total estimated processing time
Identifying, locating or collating	Consulting
Examining	Making a copy
Deciding to grant, refuse or defer access	Notifying decision
Any relevant additional information related to the estimated processing time	

Sampling
Sample examined? (Yes or No)
Sample size (as a %)
Number of electronic documents
Number of hardcopy documents
Number of non-exempt documents
Number of partially exempt documents
Number of fully exempt documents
Exemptions proposed applied
Number of documents to which a consultation requirement applies (s 26A, 27 or 27A)
Any relevant additional information related to sampling

Whether processing the request would be unreasonable	
Size of the agency (in terms of number of employees).	
Number of employees dedicated to FOI processing	
Number or requests received in the last financial year	

Whether processing the request would be unreasonable	
Other factors the Responden [<u>3.117]</u> and <i>ACW</i> at [22]	t may consider to be relevant (see FOI Guidelines
The staffing resources available to an agency or Minister for FOI processing	
Whether the processing work requires the specialist attention of a minister or senior officer, or can only be undertaken by one or more specialist officers in an agency who have competing responsibilities	
The impact that processing a request may have on other work in an agency or Minister's office, including FOI processing	
Whether an applicant has cooperated in framing a request to reduce the processing workload	
Whether there is a significant public interest in the documents requested	

Whether processing the request would be unreasonable		
Steps taken by an agency or Minister to publish information of the kind requested by an applicant		
[Only relevant to		
Ministers]		
Responsibilities of the Minister and demands on the Minister's time, and whether it is open to the Minister to obtain assistance from an agency in processing the request.		