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Dear Mr Mullighan

APPLICATION UNDER THE *FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991*

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the Act), dated 9 April, 2021.

Your application seeks access to:

"All minutes, briefings and correspondence titled 'Ministerial Chauffeur Vehicles - Genesis' as described on the Objective document management system." From 26 October 2020 to 9 April 2021.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of my determination. An extensive search was conducted within this office. A total of 3 documents were identified as answering the terms of your application.

I grant you access in full to 1 document; a copy of which is enclosed.
I grant you access in part to 2 documents; copies of which are enclosed.

Document Released in Full

Document 2

Document Released in Part

Documents 1 and 3

Document Released in Part

Document 1 is a briefing which was prepared by the South Australian Government Financing Authority (SAFA). Document 1 is released in part as it identifies a Ministerial vehicle. I therefore determine this exempt pursuant to clause 6(1) to the Act.

Document 3 is an email between SAFA and the Treasurer's Office. Document 3 is released in part as it identifies Ministerial vehicles. I therefore determine this exempt pursuant to clause 6(1).

Information relating to state government pricing on Genesis has been redacted as pricing information is commercial in confidence between the Government and Genesis. If disclosed, this could reasonably be expected to destroy or diminish the commercial value of the information and impact on the availability of the vehicles to the ministerial fleet. Such information has been redacted in order to preserve the sensitivity of information concerning the business affairs of service suppliers so they do not suffer commercial damage from having this information made public.

I therefore determine this exempt pursuant to clause 7(1)(b).

In this case I find the factors against disclosure outweigh those in favour and therefore consider the information contained in Document 3 exempt under the Act.

Exemptions

Clause 6 – Documents affecting personal affairs

- (1) *A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person.*

Clause 7 – Documents affecting business affairs concerning

- (1) *A document is an exempt document—*
- (b) *if it contains matter—*
- (i) *consisting of information (other than trade secrets) that has a commercial value to any agency or any other person; and*
 - (ii) *the disclosure of which—*
 - (A) *could reasonably be expected to have an adverse effect on those affairs or to prejudice the future supply of such information to the Government or to an agency; and*
 - (B) *would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest; or*

Please note, in compliance with Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045 - *Disclosure Logs for Non-Personal Information Released through Freedom of Information* (PC045), the Department of Treasury and Finance is now required to publish a log of all non-personal information released under the Act.

In accordance with this Circular, any non-personal information determined for release as part of this application, may be published on the DTF website. A copy of PC045 can be found at the following address: <https://dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. Please visit the website for further information.

As I am determining this application as Principal Officer, section 29(6) of the Act does not provide for an internal review. If you are dissatisfied with my determination you are entitled to exercise your rights of external review with the Ombudsman.

Alternatively, you can apply to the South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal. If you wish to seek a review, section 39(3) of the Act states you must do so within 30 calendar days of receiving the determination.

If you require any further information, please contact Ms Vicky Cathro, Ministerial Liaison Officer, by telephone on 8226 9769 or by email to vicky.cathro@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Hon Rob Lucas MLC
Principal Officer

25 April 2021

Att

Schedule of Documents

TRS21D0817 - Ministerial Chauffeur Vehicles - Genesis

Doc. No.	Date	Description of Document	# of pages	Determination Recommendation	Exemption Clause	Reason
1	5/01/2021	Briefing to Treasurer from General Manager, SAFA	4	Released in part	6(1) - Unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs	
2		Attachment to Document 1	1	Released in full		
3	20/01/2021	Email between SAFA and Treasurer's Office	3	Released in part	6(1) - Unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs	
					7(1)(b)(i)(ii)(A)(B) - Contains information of commercial value which disclosure would diminish or destroy & contrary to public interest	

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Department of Treasury and Finance

MINUTES forming ENCLOSURE

File SAF20/0014

Doc No A1695746

To The Treasurer

MINISTERIAL CHAUFFEUR VEHICLES – GENESIS

Timing: ROUTINE — For noting and approval

Recommendations/Issues: It is recommended that you:

- approve the Genesis G80 sedan four cylinder as an option to replace the remaining Holden Caprice;

Approved / Not Approved

- approve the Genesis six cylinder variants for select clients such as ^{Ross L} the Premier or the Governor (including the SUV AWD);

Approved / Not Approved

- note that the vehicles will not be provided with a full size spare wheel; and
- note the Hyundai Palsade will be costed once official pricing is provided, as an alternative lower cost option for a Ministerial Chauffeur vehicle.

Noted

Ross Lucas

Hon Rob Lucas MLC
Treasurer

25/1/2021

Key Points:

- In April 2020, approval was granted for the Genesis G80 sedan to replace the ageing Holden Caprice in the Ministerial Chauffeur fleet.

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- Currently there are ten Genesis G80 sedans in the Ministerial Chauffeur fleet. The rest of the fleet consists of seven Holden Caprice, four Toyota Prado, and one Toyota Camry.
- The seven Caprice are overdue for replacement.
- Genesis ran out of the 2019 model year Genesis G80 earlier in 2020, with SAFA purchasing the last ten vehicles available. The replacement 2020 model year has been delayed due to COVID-19 and has only just been released in December 2020.
- Genesis has released a significantly upgraded version of the G80 sedan, and accompanied this with a Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV) version known as the Genesis GV80.
- The new Genesis are known as the MY20 RG3 G80 sedan and the MY20 V1 GV80 SUV.



MY20 RG3 G80 sedan



MY20 V1 GV80 SUV

- The Genesis currently being utilised in the Ministerial Chauffeur fleet are known as the MY19 (model year 2019) DH Genesis G80 sedan. This vehicle retailed at \$68,900.

- The MY19 G80 sedan only engine option was a six cylinder 3.8 litre petrol engine (non turbo) rear-wheel-drive.
- With the new model MY20 G80 sedan, there are two engine variants and two drive trains available. A four cylinder 2.5 litre turbo petrol engine rear-wheel-drive starting at \$84,990, and a six cylinder 3.5 litre twin turbo petrol engine all-wheel-drive starting at \$99,900.
- With the new model MY20 GV80 SUV, there are three engine variants and two drive trains available. A four cylinder rear-wheel-drive at \$90,600, a four cylinder all-wheel-drive at \$95,600, a six cylinder diesel all-wheel-drive at \$103,600 and a six cylinder twin turbo petrol all-wheel-drive at \$105,600.
- The 36 month 60,000 km lease rate for the MY19 Genesis is \$870 per month (excluding capitalised options such as a window tint or a full size spare wheel).
- The lease term that the majority of the current Genesis are on is 24 months or 60,000 km. The lease rate for the MY19 Genesis 24/60k is \$1,180 (excluding capitalised options).
- A current MY19 Genesis in the Ministerial fleet is [REDACTED] which is on a 24 month 60,000 km lease term. It has the following common Ministerial vehicle options that push the lease rate up to \$1,300 per month.

Option	Cost
Window Tint	\$386.36
Fire Extinguisher	\$136.73
Weather Shields	\$243.64
Static Strip	\$67.30
Transfer Phone Cradle	\$102.50
Transfer Map Reading Lamp	\$205.00
Full Size Spare Wheel	\$1,624.53

- The four cylinder MY20 Genesis G80 sedan has a calculated base 24/60k lease rate of \$1,270. If we add the options above, excluding the spare wheel, it increases to \$1,320. If we add the options above, including the spare wheel (which is problematic as discussed below) it increases to \$1,410 per month.
- Replacing the seven remaining Caprice with the four cylinder MY20 Genesis G80 sedan (excluding full size spare wheel) presents an increase of \$20 per vehicle per month over the MY19 Genesis, which would be offset in fuel savings.
- Attachment 1 is a comparison of the base model engine configurations and power outputs to provide greater detail.
- Due to the higher cost of the MY20 Genesis the vehicle is subject to Luxury Car Tax, as it is above the threshold of \$68,740.
- One of the issues with the MY19 Genesis was the lack of a full size spare wheel. Each vehicle requested a new wheel and tyre costing \$1,625 each. The MY20 Genesis G80 sedan also arrives with a space saver spare wheel, which is speed limited to 80 kmph and only intended to be used to get the vehicle to a repairer after a puncture.
- To further complicate matters, the MY20 G80 sedan has different size tyres on the front axle to the rear, so a full size spare wheel is not really an option.

- Only the entry level four cylinder GV80 SUV has a spare wheel. The rest of the range has three rows of seating and there is no room for a spare, therefore the vehicles are provided with an inflator kit. A Jack, brace and space saver spare wheel could be purchased for \$1,600, but there would be nowhere to stow it.
- There may be an alternate vehicle suitable that is due for release in Australia in the near future. This is the Hyundai Palisade. The vehicle has options such as captain's seats, where you have two luxurious seats rather than three across the vehicle in the second row of seating as per the picture below. It is expected to have a full size spare wheel.



- At time of writing, pricing has not been released for the Palisade, but it is expected to retail at around \$60,000 for the entry level, to \$75,000 for the top of the range. The top of the range Highlander Palisade is expected to have many of the features of the GV80 SUV.
- Electric vehicles have not been considered at this time as there are no cost effective electric vehicle in the large passenger sedan or large SUV segments. The lowest cost large electric vehicles are the Jaguar I-Pace retailing at \$128,000, the Tesla Model S retailing at \$133,000 and the Tesla Model X retailing at \$158,000.

Anna Hughes

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GENERAL MANAGER, SAFA

5 January 2021

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Davies, Shaun (DTF)

From: Davies, Shaun (DTF)
Sent: Wednesday, 20 January 2021 11:07 AM
To: Hughes, Anna (DTF)
Cc: Gaisford, Glenn (DTF)
Subject: RE: A1695746 - Ministerial Chauffeur Vehicles - Genesis (Treasurer queries)

Great, thank you Anna. I have passed that on.

Kind regards

Shaun

From: Hughes, Anna (DTF) <Anna.Hughes@sa.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 19 January 2021 4:57 PM
To: Davies, Shaun (DTF) <Shaun.Davies@sa.gov.au>
Cc: Gaisford, Glenn (DTF) <Glenn.Gaisford@sa.gov.au>
Subject: RE: A1695746 - Ministerial Chauffeur Vehicles - Genesis (Treasurer queries)

Hi Shaun

Thank you for your email.

In response to the queries raised:

1. How many punctures have we had in the last 12 months?
Based on the maintenance records in LeasePlan for the Ministerial Chauffeur fleet for the 2020 calendar year, there has been eight punctures. Interestingly half of these have been on the one vehicle.

Vehicle Model	Purchase Approval Date	Maint Supplier - Local	Licence Plate No.
Caprice	2/01/2020	Bridgestone Select Adelaide	
Caprice	4/05/2020	Bob Jane T-Mart Sth Adelaide	
Caprice	26/03/2020	Bridgestone Select Adelaide	
Caprice	22/04/2020	Bridgestone Select Adelaide	
Caprice	29/04/2020	Bridgestone Select Adelaide	
Caprice	21/10/2020	Bridgestone Select Adelaide	
Genesis	24/12/2020	Bridgestone TC Unley (John Murphy)	
Genesis	18/12/2020	Bridgestone Select Adelaide	

Over the same period, there has been four single tyre replacements.

Vehicle Model	Purchase Approval Date	Maint Supplier - Local	Licence Plate No.
Caprice	29/06/2020	Bridgestone TC Pt Lincoln	
Caprice	8/07/2020	Bridgestone Select Adelaide	
Caprice	22/04/2020	Bridgestone Select Adelaide	
Camry	22/09/2020	Bridgestone Select Adelaide	

2. Does SAFA still get the \$7,000 discount off retail?
SAFA gets state government pricing on the Genesis G80, [REDACTED] discount on the base model.
3. Were other previous options considered – VW/Skoda?

VW no longer offer the Arteon in Australia.
The Skoda Superb is an available vehicle, and is currently on the Judicial list.

4. What are the dimensions of the latest Genesis?

The MY20 Genesis is similar dimensions to the MY19 Genesis in the Ministerial Chauffeur fleet.

Model	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
MY20 Genesis G80	4,995	1,925	1,465
MY19 Genesis G80	4,990	1,890	1,480
Skoda Superb sedan	4,869	1,864	1,468

5. What is the importance of power/torque measures? Driver views? Do we have power/torque measures for the VW/Skoda tested before?

The inclusion of the power and torque figures is to enable a comparison, as the Genesis has gone from a 3.8 litre V6 to a 2.5 litre four cylinder engine. While the perception may be that the vehicle will suffer, the higher tech four cylinder engine is lighter, and down just 8 kilowatt (kW) in power and the torque is actually higher by 25 newton metres (Nm).

The Skoda Superb sedan is a 2.0 litre four cylinder producing 206 kW of power and 350 Nm of torque.

We are awaiting the availability of an evaluation G80 sedan from Genesis, which will be made available to Electorate Services for drivers to evaluate.

Please let us know if you need anything further.

Thanks and regards
Anna

From: Davies, Shaun (DTF) <Shaun.Davies@sa.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 18 January 2021 4:33 PM
To: Hughes, Anna (DTF) <Anna.Hughes@sa.gov.au>
Cc: Gaisford, Glenn (DTF) <Glenn.Gaisford@sa.gov.au>
Subject: FW: A1695746 - Ministerial Chauffer Vehicles - Genesis (Treasurer queries)

Good afternoon Anna

I refer to your minute in relation to the above (copy attached).

The Treasurer has raised the following queries:

1. How many punctures have we had in the last 12 months?
2. Does SAFA still get the \$7,000 discount off retail?
3. Were other previous options considered – VW/Skoda?
4. What are the dimensions of the latest Genesis?
5. What is the importance of power/torque measures? Driver views? Do we have power/torque measures for the VW/Skoda tested before?

Could you please arrange for answers to be emailed to me at the earliest convenience.

Kind regards

Shaun Davies
A/Ministerial Liaison Officer
Office of the Treasurer
The Hon Rob Lucas MLC

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From: Clark, Sally (DTF) <Sally.Clark2@sa.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 7 January 2021 3:48 PM
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Subject: A1695746 - Ministerial Chauffeur Vehicles - Genesis

Hello

Please find attached a scanned copy of the Minute regarding the above matter for your consideration, which has been supported by the OCE.


Kind regards

Sally Clark



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Attachment 1

Lease Rate Comparison

Description	Base Lease Rate 24/60k Monthly	Lease Rate - Options 24/60k Monthly	Base Lease - Options plus Full Size Spare 24/60k Monthly	Power kW	Torque Nm
Holden Caprice sedan 6.2 8cyl 2WD	\$1,020	\$1,070	\$1,070	304	570
MY19 Genesis G80 sedan 3.8 6cyl 2WD	\$1,180	\$1,230	\$1,300	232	397
MY20 Genesis G80 sedan 2.5 4cyl 2WD	\$1,270	\$1,320	*\$1,410	224	422
MY20 Genesis G80 sedan 3.5 TT 6cyl AWD	\$1,520	\$1,590	*\$1,670	279	530
MY20 Genesis GV80 SUV 2.5 4cyl 2WD	\$1,360	\$1,420	^\$1,510	224	422
MY20 Genesis GV80 SUV 3.0 6cyl AWD Diesel	\$1,480	\$1,540	#	204	588
MY20 Genesis GV80 SUV 3.5 6cyl TT AWD	\$1,680	\$1,740	#	279	530

Notes

* Not recommended as different size tyres on front compared to rear axle.

^ Not recommended as difficult to store.

Not available due to third row of seats.

Lease rates rounded up to the nearest \$10.

TT = Twin Turbo V6 petrol engine.

Prices may vary if additional options are added to a specific vehicle.

Included in the options column are the following:

Window Tint;

Fire Extinguisher;

Weather Shields;

Static Strip;

Transfer Phone Cradle; and

Transfer Map Reading Lamp.

Full size spare wheel added to the third column, at the current price of \$1,625.

Models above are the base version for the particular engine and drive train.