

ARCS: 292-30 File: PSA-2014-00016

March 5, 2014

Sent via email:

Dear

Re: Request for Access to Records Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the BC Public Service Agency. Your request is for:

Any and all records held by the Ministry of Finance and/or the Office of the Premier related to any and all taxpayer costs associated with leaves of absence for any Office of the Premier personnel. The time frame is January 1, 2013 to August 30, 2013.

The BC Public Service Agency has created an aggregate report (enclosed) summarizing the responsive data. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. Further, access is denied, pursuant to section 22, to payroll/leave records of third parties. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws_new/document/ID/freeside/96165_00

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of 72 hours after electronic release or a minimum of five business days after release by mail in hardcopy. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: <u>http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page</u>

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Mailing Address: PO Box 9569 Stn Prov Govt Victoria BC V8W 9K1

Website: http://www.gov.bc.ca/citz/iao/ Telephone: 250-387-1321 Fax: 250-387-9843 If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Rhianna Begley, the analyst assigned to your request, at (250) 952-0361. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604-660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1-800-663-7867 and asking to be transferred to (250) 952-0361.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

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Cindy Elbahir, Manager Central Agency Team Information Access Operations

Enclosures

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt 4th Floor, 947 Fort Street Victoria BC V8W 9A4 Telephone 250-387-5629 Fax 250-387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

- 1. A copy of your original request;
- 2. A copy of our response; and
- 3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.