

ARCS: 292- 30 File: CTZ-2013-00240

March 13, 2014

Sent via email:

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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 Ministry of Technology, Innovation and Citizens' Services. Your request is for:

Any and all briefing materials prepared for the Premier and/her staff and/or GCPE staff explaining why, despite the fact that the government's own statistics show that general FOI requests are projected to go down this year by 17% (and personal requests rising negligibly) the government is projecting its percentage on-time score to plummet to 75% compared to 87% last year. Any and all notes indicating that sign-off and/or severing delays in the Office of the Premier and/or GCP may be contributing to this dramatic drop in FOI timeliness. Time frame is July 1, 2013 to November 26, 2013.

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section 13 (Policy advice or recommendations) of FOIPPA. 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.

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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 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>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Dwayne McCowan, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250-387-1458. 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 250-387-1458.

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,

Ken Bejick

For: 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.