

ARCS: 292- 30 File: EGM-2014-00117

August 5, 2015

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 Ministry of Energy and Mines (Core Review). Your request is for:

All records related to August 7th events including news conferences, flyovers, healing ceremony, community meeting and media appearances by BC government ministers and officials pertaining to the Mount Polley mine disaster including event plans, media strategies, communications plans, logistical documents, the list of staff attending along with any and all invitees/participants/attendees; Contracts or agreements for transportation providers; Flight plans including the names of any and all individuals aboard and any and all locations of pick-up; Summary of all expenses/taxpayer costs planned or anticipated by the BC government to pay for government and/or non-government participants in the day's events; All communication records, speaking notes, Qs and As, Points to Note, briefing or issue notes and/or communications language provided via email or other correspondence for the Premier, Ministers Bennett and Polak as well as staff including Jennifer McGuire.

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to sections 13 (Policy advice or recommendations) and 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165_00

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

Website: <u>www.gov.bc.ca/freedomofinformation</u> Telephone: 250-387-1321 Fax: 250-387-9843 As you may already be aware, the Mount Polley Independent Expert Engineering Investigation and Review Panel delivered its final report and recommendations to the Minister of Energy and Mines on January 30, 2015. The full report, appendices, and supporting information which may be of interest to you are publically available here:

https://www.mountpolleyreviewpanel.ca/

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>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Eric Shiplack, the analyst assigned to your request, at (250) 356-9155. You may contact Gerry Edwards, Team Lead at (250) 356-9153 as Eric Shiplack is away until August 18, 2015. 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) 356-9155.

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 Bejeck

Ken Bejcek, Manager Resource 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.