



ARCS: 292-30
File: EAO-2013-00034
OIPC File: F13-54572

January 17, 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 complaint, regarding a fee waiver denial, on your request submitted to the Environmental Assessment Office. Your request is for:

*A copy of the contract between the Environmental Assessment Office and Pierce Lefebvre Consulting for work on the Ajax assessment; All documents, emails and other correspondence between the EAO and Pierce Lefebvre Consulting regarding the Ajax project.
Date range is January 1, 2012 to [June 26, 2013].*

Further to ongoing mediation with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, the Environmental Assessment Office has agreed to provide you with a copy of the General Service Agreement and its appendices without requiring a fee payment. You will note that some information has been withheld pursuant to sections 21 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party) and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. Additionally, the Environmental Assessment Office has already made the final tracking tables and many other documents relating to the Ajax Mine Project proactively available on the Project Information Centre (e-PIC) website.

Documents relating to the Ajax Mine Project and made proactively available on e-PIC are available at:

http://a100.gov.bc.ca/appsdata/epic/html/deploy/epic_project_home_362.html

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A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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

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

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kris Ghag', is positioned above the typed name.

Kris Ghag, Manager
Resource Team
Information Access Operations

Enclosures

cc: Justin Hodgkinson, Investigator,
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for B.C.

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>
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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.