



File #: 292-30/MSD-2011-01168

November 28, 2011

**Sent via email:**

Rose

Dear ,

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

I am writing in response to your request received by the Ministry of Social Development on October 18, 2011. You requested information pertaining to

***“Copies of actual requests made to the Ministry of Social Development and Health Services applying for additional benefits available to its clientele (monthly food supplements, orthotics, etc.) and the response and appeal letters from August 2011 to [October 18, 2011].”***

Section 75(1) of the Act provides that we may charge a fee for certain limited costs of processing your request. We have determined there is a fee for processing your request as the Ministry has informed IAO that the scope of this request would generate an extensive volume of records. Moreover, as each of these records contains sensitive third-party information which would be withheld pursuant to Section 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy), this course of action would result in a large fee and likely not provide significant information once all personal information had been severed.

In lieu of actual requests for additional benefits, the Ministry has created for you a statistical spreadsheet detailing the disbursement of additional benefits (attached). This approach provides you with a comprehensive summary of the requested information free of charge.

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If you have any questions, please contact the analyst Adam Skulsky at 250-356-8985. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604-660-7867, or from elsewhere in BC, 1-800-663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250-356-8985.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hudson", with a stylized, flowing script.

Vicki Hudson, Manager  
Justice/Social Team  
Information Access Operations

Attachment