

ARCS: 292-30 File: PSS-2012-00008

February 3, 2012

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 Public Safety and Solicitor General. Your request is for:

Records of the spectrometry (ion scanner) or other similar scanning devices calibration and maintenance reports from VIRCC, SPSC, NFPC, ACCW, FRCC, KRCC and PGRCC from 2010 to [January 4, 2012].

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body). A copy of this section of FOIPPA is provided for your reference.

The ministry wishes to advise you that ion scanners do not produce a report upon calibration. The attached records are records of maintenance from FRCC and KRCC and constitute the only responsive records for this request. Your file is now closed.

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Fax: 250-387-9843

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

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Donna Wilkinson, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 356-9079. 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 250 356-9079.

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,

Vicki Hudson, Manager Justice / Social Team

Information Access Operations

Enclosures

Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body

- 17 (1) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to harm the financial or economic interests of a public body or the government of British Columbia or the ability of that government to manage the economy, including the following information:
 - (a) trade secrets of a public body or the government of British Columbia;
 - (b) financial, commercial, scientific or technical information that belongs to a public body or to the government of British Columbia and that has, or is reasonably likely to have, monetary value;
 - (c) plans that relate to the management of personnel of or the administration of a public body and that have not yet been implemented or made public;
 - (d) information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to result in the premature disclosure of a proposal or project or in undue financial loss or gain to a third party;
 - (e) information about negotiations carried on by or for a public body or the government of British Columbia;
 - (f) information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to harm the negotiating position of a public body or the government of British Columbia.
 - (2) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose under subsection (1) research information if the disclosure could reasonably be expected to deprive the researcher of priority of publication.
 - (3) The head of a public body must not refuse to disclose under subsection (1) the results of product or environmental testing carried out by or for that public body, unless the testing was done
 - (a) for a fee as a service to a person, a group of persons or an organization other than the public body, or
 - (b) for the purpose of developing methods of testing.

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.