

**Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure  
Direct Award Contracts  
For the Month of August 2014**

Contractor Name	Description	Amount	Reason
Steven Vick	Mount Polley Independent Expert Engineering Investigation and Review Panel	\$ 275,000	<p>A three member panel was required on an immediate basis to investigate the Mount Polley mine's tailings storage facility failure on August 4, 2014.</p> <p>* The panel members required a very specialized technical expertise required for this high profile investigation.</p> <p>* The panel members had to be completely independant with no conflict of interest.</p> <p>* The review panel had to be set up quickly to commence the investigation before conditions at the site changed due to weather events and company activities to seal the breach.</p>
Norbert Morgenstern	Mount Polley Independent Expert Engineering Investigation and Review Panel	\$ 300,000	<p>A three member panel was required on an immediate basis to investigate the Mount Polley mine's tailings storage facility failure on August 4, 2014.</p> <p>* The panel members required a very specialized technical expertise required for this high profile investigation.</p> <p>* The panel members had to be completely independant with no conflict of interest.</p> <p>* The review panel had to be set up quickly to commence the investigation before conditions at the site changed due to weather events and company activities to seal the breach.</p>
Dirk Van Zyl	Mount Polley Independent Expert Engineering Investigation and Review Panel	\$ 275,000	<p>A three member panel was required on an immediate basis to investigate the Mount Polley mine's tailings storage facility failure on August 4, 2014.</p> <p>* The panel members required a very specialized technical expertise required for this high profile investigation.</p> <p>* The panel members had to be completely independant with no conflict of interest.</p> <p>* The review panel had to be set up quickly to commence the investigation before conditions at the site changed due to weather events and company activities to seal the breach.</p>
Thurber Engineering Ltd	Mount Polley Independent Expert Engineering Investigation and Review Panel	\$ 400,000	<p>Immediate investigation was required into the Mount Polley tailings storage facility failure which occurred on Aug.4th, 2014.</p> <p>* Thurber has the specialized engineering expertise, as well as the tools, equipment and facilities necessary to immediately engage in this investigation.</p> <p>* Thurber had to be completely independant with no conflict of interest.</p> <p>* Immediate commencement of the investigation was required to provide data and services to the panel before conditions at the site changed due to weather events and company activities to seal the breach.</p> <p>* Two other engineering firms were asked to provide service and they declined.</p>
Luke Krayenhoff Consulting	Development and Implementation of changes to the Arbitrator Review Hearing Process for Translink Fare Evasion	\$ 5,000	<p>As required by the <i>South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Act</i> the Ministry, through a competitive process, engaged Luke Krayenhoff Consulting to administer arbitration services on behalf of Translink at no cost to the Ministry.</p> <p>The ministry entered into a separate agreement with the contractor given his direct involvement in managing and administering the arbitration services for Translink. He had the required detailed knowledge and understanding of the specific arbitration process, the arbitrators and how the relevant regulations and bylaws are applied in order to provide advice and recommendations for implementing improvements to the arbitration process.</p>