

ARCS: 292-30 File: CTZ-2012-00208/ CTZ-2012-00209

January 23, 2013

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 Citizens' Services and Open Government. Your request is for:

 How much the Ministries of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation, Agriculture, Environment, Energy, Mines and Natural Gas, (as well as any other Ministries you currently may be responsible for as their FOI officer) on private security services in Victoria in 2011 and 2012 to date (broken down by location/site) and who they paid to provide these services (i.e. company and/or entity names).
Also when these contracts for services expire overall or by site (if they are still current) and if there are any options to renew.

Timeframe is from January 1, 2011 to [October 25, 2012].

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld as "Not Responsive." A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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

Your file is now closed.

Please note that the records being provided are a summary of the amount Integrated Workplace Solutions paid to the Service Provider WSI for security services (i.e. guard services) for all province customers located in Victoria for the requested time period. Location/site information is not included for security reasons.

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Ministry of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government Shared Services BC Information Access Operations Mailing Address: PO Box 9569 Stn Prov Govt Victoria BC V8W 9K1

Website: http://www.gov.bc.ca/citz/iao/ Telephone: 250-387-1321 Fax: 250-387-9843 Please also note that the contract with WSI expires March 31, 2014, with an option to renew for an additional term of a maximum five years.

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: <u>http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page</u>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Holly Romanow, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250-952-0361. 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 250-952-0361.

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,

for Cindy Elbahir, Manager Central Agency Team Information Access Operations

Enclosure

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.