



ARCS: 292-30  
File: AGR-2013-00107

January 20, 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 request received by the Ministry of Agriculture. You narrowed your request on November 25, 2013 through conversation and/or email with Krisna Phosy. Your request is for:

*All briefing notes/policy notes/decision notes/information notes regarding GMO, genetically modified, crops and food. Date range is January 1, 2012 to October 14, 2013.*

Please find enclosed phase one of your request. Additional records are being processed and will follow under separate cover. Some information has been withheld in the enclosed records pursuant to section(s) 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 16 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations or negotiations), and 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Krisna Phosy, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250-387-1436. 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 250-387-1436.

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 'K. Ghag', is positioned above the typed name.

*On behalf of*

Kris Ghag, Manager  
Resource Team  
Information Access Operations

Enclosures

<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.