



ARCS: 292-30
File: FIN-2011-00151
X-GOV-100377

February 28, 2012

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 Finance. You narrowed your request on September 19, 2011 through conversation and/or email with Carmelina Plater. Your request is for:

A summary spreadsheet and travel voucher forms related to travel expenses where available related to the Premier, specific Office of the Premier staff (Deputy Minister, Press Secretary, Deputy Chief of Staff(s), Director of Communications, Principal Secretary, Manager of Communications & Issues Management, Executive Assistant to the Premier, Senior Policy Advisor, Director of Outreach, Senior Communications Coordinator, and Communications Officer & Deputy Press Secretary) Ministers, Ministerial Assistants and Parliamentary Secretaries. As well as a centrally run report where available for the Ministry of Finance Deputy Minister and Assistant Deputy Minister(s) travel expenses. The timeframe for the request is between March 14, 2011 and September 1, 2011

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body) and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. In addition, specific accommodation and meeting location details have also been withheld pursuant to section 15(1)(f), information which could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of a person. Copies of these sections of FOIPPA are provided for your reference. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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

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Please note some information in the records is marked 'not responsive' as it does not respond to the wording and/or the date range of your request. Your file is now closed.

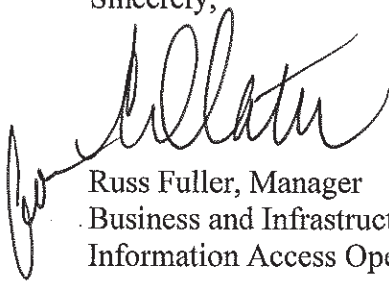
In addition, information that does not relate to the duties and responsibilities of the Minister but relate to his or her duties as a Member of the Legislated Assembly (e.g. constituency or caucus duties) have been removed as "not responsive".

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 **Mark Kewley**, the analyst assigned to your request, at **250-356-7966**. 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 250-356-7966.

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 black ink, appearing to read "Russ Fuller", is written over the printed name and title.

Russ Fuller, Manager
Business and Infrastructure 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.