

ARCS: 292-30 File: CFD-2015-50947

July 24, 2015

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 Children and Family Development. Your request is for:

Contract between the Ministry and BC Family Hearing Resource Centre, the successful bid proponent of Request for Proposals, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialized Early Intervention Services, Ministry of Children and Family Development, Request for Proposals Number DHHFY15-002, issue date August 21, 2014, closing date September 30, 2014. (Date Range for Record Search: From 10/01/2014 To 04/28/2015)

Please be advised that this forms the final phase of the Ministry's response to your request.

Further to a review of the correspondence on file, it would appear that your request was originally misinterpreted to have three distinct components whereas the correspondence indicates that you are seeking only the contract between the Ministry and the successful bid proponent of DHHFY15-002. At the time of the first phase of the Ministry's response, the contract was still under negotiation and was therefore withheld in its entirety pursuant to sections 13 (Policy advice or recommendations) and 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body) of FOIPPA. Now that the negotiations have concluded, the Ministry is releasing the signed contract in its entirety.

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Website:

www.gov.bc.ca/freedomofinformation Telephone: 250-387-1321 Fax: 250-387-9843 For your reference, 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.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of 72 hours after electronic release or a minimum of five business days after release 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 Kelly Morita, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250-356-2030. 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 250-356-2030.

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,

Kelly Morita for: Kris Ghag, Manager Justice / Social Team Information Access Operations

Enclosures

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.