



ARCS: 292-30  
File: EGM-2014-50103 R

June 29, 2016

Sent via email:

**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 Energy and Mines and Minister Responsible for Core Review. Your request is for:

*Correspondence, including emails and text messages, between Minister Polak and Minister Thomson or Minister Polak and Minister Bill Bennett or Minister Thomson and Minister Bennett pertaining to the Site C Clean Energy Project; Briefing notes, backgrounders, issues statements and reports provided to Minister Polak and Minister Thomson for consideration in making their decision, excluding documents publicly available on the Environmental Assessment Office website such as the environmental assessment certificate or letter from the EAO's Executive Director; Briefing notes, backgrounders, issues statements and reports provided to Minister Bennett for consideration in making their decision, excluding documents publicly available on the Environmental Assessment Office website. (Date Range for Record Search: From 05/01/2014 To 10/14/2014) (Date Range for Record Search: From 05/01/2014 To 10/14/2014)*

Please find enclosed a copy of the records reconsidered in response to your request for review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of BC (OIPC). This is the first response of three to be disclosed. Some information has been withheld 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:

[http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165\\_00](http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165_00)

These records will not be published on the BC Government's Open Information website. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at:  
[www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation](http://www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation)

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Charlotte Van Schalkwyk, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 356-5055. 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 250 356-5055.

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 dark ink, appearing to be 'Ken Bejcek', followed by a horizontal line.

On behalf of  
Ken Bejcek, 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.