

ARCS: 292-30 File: FIN-2020-02414

June 4, 2020

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 Finance. Your request is for:

A list of retail dealers (on-reserve) Exempt from Sales Retail as identified on the Schedule of Sales of Tax-Exempt Tobacco to First Nations, this should include: which communities and how many retail dealers are on each First Nations community by band or census region; The total number of Carton-equivalent sold; The cost of the carton equivalent during that year of purchase and total number of ESRD in British Columbia (Date Range for Record Search: From 1/1/1995 To 4/1/2020)

These records are provided to you in their entirety. The Ministry advises they do not have information on "*the cost of the carton equivalent*." Per the Ministry, exempt retailers report carton equivalent sales with a carton equivalent equal to a carton of 200 cigarettes or 200 grams of loose tobacco. The cost is not part of that reporting.

Your file is now closed.

The records located in response to your request will be delivered through the BC Secure File Transfer Service. Separate emails will follow from the BC SFT Notification Service directing you how to set up an account and where to obtain your records.

Website:

www.gov.bc.ca/freedomofinformation Telephone: 250 387-1321 Fax: 250 387-9843

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These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of ten business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Brandy Dyer, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-9083. 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 778 698-9083.

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,

Anardy Dyle

Brandy Dyer, Sr. FOI Analyst On behalf of Cindy Elbahir, Manager Central Agency 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.