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May 16, 2017

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 Health. Your request is for:

The peer reviewed, scientific and documented research supporting the Minister's opinion regarding fluoridation comments, Hansard Debate, 40th Parliament, 5th Session May 9, 2016 afternoon session, including any emails in the control of the Minister and Minister's office sent to or exchanged between Provincial Health Authorities.

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section 13 (Policy advice or recommendations) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165_00

Further to your email sent March 25, 2017, the Office of the Provincial Health Officer (PHO) has provided the following information:

- **You requested to be provided “the specific “*Child health report from Northern Health*” that Minister Lake was referring to. Northern Health provides several child health reports, differing by year and titles. It is unclear which “*Child health report from Northern Health*” Minister Lake is referring to.”**

PHO has advised this is publicly available at:

<https://northernhealth.ca/AboutUs/NorthernHealthReports.aspx>

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- **You requested the Ministry of Health confirm “the Northern Health report as “*Chief Medical Health Officer’s Health Status Report on Child Health.*” as web searches have not been able to confirm the specific report.”**

PHO has advised that they believe the report is located at the following link:

https://northernhealth.ca/Portals/0/About/Community_Accountability/documents/Northern-Health-CMHO.pdf

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government’s Open Information website a minimum of five 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 Lauren Lemieux, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-2672. 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 778 698-2672.

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,



Maxine Vanzetta, Manager
Health / Education Team, Information Access Operations
Enclosures

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>

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.