



ARCS: 292-30  
File: LBR-2017-72863

November 24, 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 Labour.  
Your request is for:

*A summary document providing the number of complaints received by the Employment Standards Branch regarding contraventions of the Employment Standards Act, province-wide, broken down by calendar year, for the years 2011-2016; A summary document providing the number of Employment Standards Branch investigators currently employed in Vancouver, Metro Vancouver, and BC; Any and all investigations, reports, emails or briefing notes regarding contraventions of the ESA involving Single-Room Occupancy hotels and bars in Vancouver for the years 2006-2016 at the following premises: The Balmoral Hotel and Bar; The Regent Hotel; The Astoria Hotel and Bar; The Cobalt Hotel and Bar; Hotel Regal.*

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to sections: 15 (Disclosure harmful to law enforcement), 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body), 14 (Legal advice), 21 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party), and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. Copies of these sections of FOIPPA are provided for your reference. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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

Some information has been removed under section 3. More information can be found:  
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/employment-business-and-economic-development/business-management/permits-licences-and-registration/registries-other-assets/examplecorporatesearch.pdf>

As per our agreement with on October 30, 2017, certain information has been removed as 'not responsive' or 'NR.'

We have provided you with the best available copy, although you may find that some pages are in poor condition.

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](http://www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation)

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact me at 778 698-2373. 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 778 698-2373.

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 "D. Talalaeva", followed by a horizontal line.

Dinara Talalaeva, Senior FOI Analyst  
On behalf of Russ Fuller, Manager  
Business and Infrastructure Team  
Information Access Operations

Enclosures

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| <p>How to Request a Review with the<br/>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.