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File: MAG-2018-86175

October 10, 2018

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 Attorney General. Your request is for:

Reports and briefing notes prepared for the Minister's Office and/or Deputy Minister's Office - and excluding records held by the Legal Services Branch - that discuss the beneficial ownership of residential real estate in BC (e.g. titles held through corporations, trusts and nominee individuals). Of particular interest are any reports and briefing notes prepared in relation to the draft Land Owner Transparency Act, the foreign buyer tax of 2016, or discussing the risks of money laundering and tax evasion through real estate; also including: reports and briefing notes related to the ownership of residential real estate through legal entities and arrangements (i.e., companies and trusts) submitted to the Ministry by the Office of the Superintendent of Real Estate, the Real Estate Foundation of B.C., the Real Estate Errors and Omissions Insurance Corporation and the Real Estate Compensation Fund Corporation (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2016 To 08/30/2018)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 12 (Cabinet and local public body confidences), 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 14 (Legal advice), and 16 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations or negotiations) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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

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 Elizabeth Horn, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 387-9172. 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 250 387-9172.

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 read 'E. Horn', is written over a light grey rectangular background.

Elizabeth Horn, FOI Specialist
On behalf of Cindy Kukucska, Manager
Justice / Social 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.