

ARCS: 292- 30 File: MOE-2014-50012

January 06, 2015

Sent via email:

Dear

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 Environment. Your request is for:

All final briefing materials, issue notes, or other records prepared for Minister Mary Polak, Deputy Minister Wes Shoemaker, Associate Deputy Minister Doug Caul, or Communications Director David Crebo regarding the Kitimat Airshed Study for the timeframe January 31, 2014 to July 18, 2014; A copy of the final contract between the Ministry and ESSA Technologies Ltd. for the work completed on the Kitimat Airshed Study.

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

http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws_new/document/ID/freeside/96165_00

Please note some information in the records is marked 'Not Responsive' as it does not respond to the wording and/or the date range of your request.

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of 72 hours after electronic release or a minimum of five business days after release by mail in hardcopy. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: <u>http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page</u>

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Mailing Address: PO Box 9569 Stn Prov Govt Victoria BC V8W 9K1

Website: <u>www.gov.bc.ca/freedomofinformation</u> Telephone: 250-387-1321 Fax: 250-387-9843 If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Natalie Appleton, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 356-9164. 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 250 356-9164.

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,

Natalie Appleton Freedom of Information and Privacy Analyst Information Access Operations

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.