

ARCS: 292-30 File: MOE-2018-87087

January 23, 2019

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 Environment and Climate Change Strategy. Your request is for:

Spill response reports and any other records related to three sulphuric acid spills in the Kootenay Region on the following dates: May 24, 2016, April 10, 2018 and May 23, 2018, including but not limited to all records for the Ministry of Environment's file number 160541. (Date Range for Record Search: From 05/24/2016 To 10/25/2018)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 15 (Disclosure harmful to law enforcement), 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body) and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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

The Ministry would like to advise you that throughout the records it is indicated that the May 23, 2018 spill was not reported; however, the spill was reported, and an incident report has been provided.

Your file is now closed.

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Website:

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: <a href="www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation">www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation</a>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Juliane Letawske, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 387-0915. 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 250 387-0915.

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,

Juliane Letawske, Senior FOI Analyst On behalf of Meghan Kane, Manager

Resource 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.