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Sent via email to: [ ]

Our File: FOI-2020-026

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Dear [ ]:

**Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Request**

British Columbia Ferry Services Inc. (BC Ferries) received your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the FOIPP Act) on November 29, 2019. Your request was as follows:

*"This is a request for information with regard to B.C Ferries' "Request for Proposals 07/08/2019 Unregulated Routes", issued August 21, 2019, closed Sept. 30, 2019 Item No. 4 of the RFP seeks tenders for the operation of ferry service on Route 55. Please provide answers to:*

- 1. In sum, the number of respondents to the request for bids on Route 55.*
- 2. The names of the respondents."*

BC Ferries and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure ("Ministry") are currently in the review and negotiation phase of the procurement process for ferry services between Lasqueti Island and French Creek (Route 55).

The disclosure of the information you are seeking could reasonably be expected to harm BC Ferries' and the Ministry's negotiating position.

Accordingly, BC Ferries' declines to release this information under section 17 of the FOIPP Act as disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the financial interests of either BC Ferries or the Ministry. An excerpt of the relevant section is attached.

You can apply to the Information and Privacy Commissioner for a review of this response. You have 30 working days from receipt of this letter to request a review by writing to:

Office of the Information and Privacy  
Commissioner for British Columbia  
PO Box 9038, Stn. Prov. Govt.  
Victoria, BC V8W 9A4  
Facsimile: (250) 387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with a copy of this letter, a copy of your original request, and the reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.

If you have any questions, please write or call our office at (250) 978-1502.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by*

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