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December 16, 2020

Sent via email to: []

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The Tyee
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Our File: FOI-2021-013

Dear []:

Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Request

We are writing with regard to the request received by British Columbia Ferry Services Inc. (BC Ferries) for access to records under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the FOIPPA Act) for:

Communications between BC Ferries and Premier's Office regarding the exemption and then reimplementing of the closed vehicle deck regulation CFTR-152. In addition, internal discussions regarding the exemption and then reimplementing of the closed vehicle deck requirements, excluding operational implementation and administrative records. Date span March 2020 to present.

Enclosed please find copies of the records responsive to your request. Some of the records contain information excepted from disclosure under the FOIPPA Act. This information was severed so the remaining information could be disclosed.

We have withheld advice or recommendations developed by or for BC Ferries (section 13). We have also removed BC Ferries employees' telephone/fax/cellular numbers as they are used in emergencies and are also treated privately (sections 15, 19 and 22), as well as an employee's name as its disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of privacy (section 22). In addition, we have withheld information and/or records that are subject to solicitor-client privilege (section 14), and have removed information outside the scope of the request.

We have noted on the records disclosed to you which section of the FOIPPA Act was relied on to sever the information. An excerpt of the relevant sections is attached.

Please note that we did not locate any records responsive to the part of your request seeking "Communications between BC Ferries and the Premier's Office regarding the exemption and then reimplementation of the closed vehicle deck regulation CFTR-152."

We will respond separately to you with regard to the records included in our consultations with third parties.

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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