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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 FOIPP Act) for:

All correspondence and records dealing with decision in 2017 to require passengers to exit vehicles on lower decks, including any records of consultation with Transport Canada and the relevant legislation from 2007. I'm particularly interested in mentions of budgets for continuous patrols (which satisfied the safety requirement previous to policy change) and other budgetary factors <a href="https://www.bcferries.com/about/projects/lower-closed-vehicle-deck-access-fag.html">https://www.bcferries.com/about/projects/lower-closed-vehicle-deck-access-fag.html</a>"

Further to our letters of November 30 and December 31, 2020, thank you for your payment of \$239.78 for this request, which we received on January 8, 2021.

Enclosed please find copies of the records responsive to your request, inclusive of the records included in consultations with third parties with whom we have completed consultations. As noted in the correspondence to you dated December 31, 2020, the consultation process with other remaining third parties is ongoing.

Some of the records contain information excepted from disclosure under the FOIPP 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 withheld information whose disclosure could harm the security of BC Ferries' properties or systems, or threaten anyone's safety or health (sections 15 and 19). Similarly, we have redacted file / network pathways, as their disclosure could harm the security of BC Ferries' IT systems (section 15), as well as BC Ferries' employee's telephone/fax/cellular numbers as they are used in emergencies and are also treated privately (sections 15, 19 and 22). We have also withheld a signature, as its disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of privacy (section 22). Finally, we have withheld financial information, supplied in confidence, whose disclosure could result in financial harms to a third party (section 21).

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

We will respond to you separately with regard to the records included in our consultations with the remaining 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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