

Request, in part, under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act:

Concerning the Denman Island Cable Ferry:

A letter, dated June 16th, 2017 by your former CFO Dennis Dodo to then Commissioner G. Macatee with the header Cable Ferry Project update, contains the following statement: "As a result of our cable assessment findings, cables have been procured with sacrificial coatings for improved corrosion resistance. These new cables are the same size and construction to match the existing cables, with an equivalent breaking strength".

- 1. Could you please explain what "sacrificial coating" means.
- 2. Are these cables galvanised?
- 3. Do they include sacrificial zinc wires incorporated in the cables?
- 4. Or does this statement refer strictly to the protective plastic coating?
- 5. Please also elaborate on the statement, that these cables are of the same size, construction and breaking strength as the previous cables, which seems impossible in case these cables are indeed galvanised.

Response:

- Could you please explain what "sacrificial coating" means?
 This is in reference to the zinc and aluminum coating that is applied to all individual steel wires.
- 2. Are these cables galvanised? No, see item 1.
- 3. Do they include sacrificial zinc wires incorporated in the cables? No, see item 1.
- 4. Or does this statement refer strictly to the protective plastic coating? No, see item 1.
- 5. Please also elaborate on the statement, that these cables are of the same size, construction and breaking strength as the previous cables, which seems impossible in case these cables are indeed galvanised.
 The cables that have been purchased and installed since inception of the cable ferry have been consistent with reference to the wire size.