July 9, 2019

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act [Our File #: FIN-53-2019]

This is to confirm that on June 11, 2019, the Department of Finance received your access to information request for the following:

“• Effective September 1, 2015, a $40 landing and terminal building fee was implemented for all commercial aircraft landing at provincially-owned airstrips in Labrador. The $40 fee is applied per landing to aircraft operators. How much revenue has been collected from landing fees since being implemented, and what is it used for? How much was spent on each of the airstrips along Labrador's north coast?

• Under the 1982 Labrador Air/Marine Services Agreement the Government of Canada provided funding to the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to restore the airstrips along the Labrador coast to ensure that operational capability is maintained at levels necessary to meet Transport Canada Airport Certification requirements. (Funds provided under the Labrador Coast Airstrips Restoration Program). How much has the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador received under this program during the past five years (2014-19), and how much was spent on each the north Labrador coast airstrips, with the exception of Natuashish?"

This is to advise that the Department of Transportation and Works (TW) is responsible for the design, construction, improvement, repair and maintenance of provincial airstrips and related facilities. As such, upon receipt of this information request, TW was consulted and it was confirmed that all related information requests should be directed to them accordingly. Therefore, please contact Ms. Angela McIntyre (tel: (709) 729-5351; email: attw@gov.nl.ca) for the above requested information.
Please be advised that you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the processing of your access request, as set out in section 42 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the Act).

A request to the Commissioner must be made in writing within 15 business days of the date of this letter or within a longer period that may be allowed by the Commissioner. The address and contact information of the Information and Privacy Commissioner is as follows:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner
2 Canada Drive
P. O. Box 13004, Stn. A
St. John’s, NL. A1B 3V8

Telephone: (709) 729-6309
Toll-Free: 1-877-729-6309
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

You may also appeal directly to the Supreme Court Trial Division within 15 business days after you receive the decision of the public body, pursuant to section 52 of the Act.

Please be advised that responsive records will be published following a 72-hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the responsive records posted to the Completed Access to Information Requests website within one business day following the applicable period of time. Please note that requests for personal information will not be posted online.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned by telephone at 709-729-2082, or by email at bethbartlett@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

Beth Bartlett, CIAPP-C
ATIPP Coordinator