May 31, 2019

Dear [redacted]

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 [Our File #: MAE/101/2019]

On May 7, 2019, the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment received your request for access to the following records/information:

"Any communications between the minister, or deputy minister, and Nalcor Energy -- either a Nalcor Energy employee or third party on behalf of Nalcor Energy -- regarding the environmental assessment of the Labrador-Island Link. Specifically, the request is for any communications referencing geotechnical investigation in the area proposed for the transmission line. The request covers the period of Jan. 1, 2006 through Feb. 2, 2009, prior to the start of the environmental assessment."

Please be advised that the Deputy Minister has reviewed this request and, after an extensive search of paper and electronic records, the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment has no records responsive to your request.

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 me by telephone at 709-729-7183 or by e-mail at ryan.collins@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

Ryan Collins
ATIPP Coordinator
Municipal Affairs and Environment