Dear [Name],

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 [Our File #: MA/4/2016]

On February 2, 2016, the Department of Municipal Affairs received your request for access to the following records/information:

"The voters list for the Little Bay Islands Community Relocation Vote."

Please be advised that a decision has been made by the Deputy Minister for the Department of Municipal Affairs that access to these records has been refused in accordance with the following exceptions to disclosure, as specified in the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015.

Section 40(1): Disclosure harmful to personal privacy
"The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose personal information to an applicant where the disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy."

Section 15 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 (the Act) requires that we provide you with an advisory response regarding your request in writing no later than 10 business days after we receive your request. Section 16 of the Act requires that we respond to your request without delay in writing no later than 20 business days after we receive your request. In accordance with section 15 and section 16 of the Act, this letter fulfills both our obligation to provide an advisory response and a final response.

Please be advised that you may appeal this decision and ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the decision to deny access to the requested information, as set out in section 42 of 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. Your appeal should identify your concerns with the request and why you are submitting the appeal.

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, Sta. A
St. John's, NL A1B 3V8

P.O. Box B700, St. John's, NL, Canada A1B 4J6 1 709.729-6528 1 709.729-4475
TelephoneNumber: (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 Office of Public Engagement's 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 729-6528 or by e-mail at scottwinters@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Scott Winters
Manager of Accountability / ATIPP Coordinator