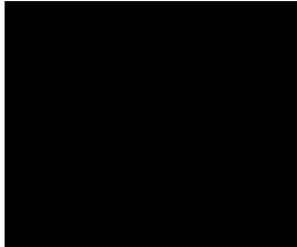


February 25, 2020



Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 [Our File #: MAE/023/2020]

On February 11, 2020, the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment received your request for access to the following records/information:

“Please provide a complete list of business financial assistance programs - defined as public funding provided to private sector entities in any form (e.g. subsidy, tax rebate, non-repayable loan, etc.) for determined outcomes - 1. Name of program 2. Total budget 3. Total funding approved for private sector entities 4. Total number of private sector entities who applied for funding 5. Total number of private sector entities who received funding Please provide the following information on each program for 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018, and 2018-2019.”

Please be advised that the Deputy Minister has reviewed the request and Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment do not have any records indicating public funding provided to private sector entities and therefore has no responsive records to this request.

The Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 (the “Act”) requires us to provide an advisory response within 10 days of receiving the request. As this request has been completed prior to day 10, this letter also serves as our Advisory Response.

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* (a copy of this section of the *Act* has been enclosed for your reference).

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 atippmae@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

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