November 1, 2016

Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Act) [Our file #ENV/046/2016]

On October 5, 2016 the Department of Environment and Climate Change received your request for access to the following records/information:

"I wish to obtain: a) a list of people and agencies that advised Minister Trimper with regards to project 1834 (Placentia Aquaculture Installation). b) the correspondence between Minister Trimper and all the above parties containing said advice."

On October 18, 2016 the request wording was modified as follows:

"I wish to obtain: a) a list of provincial and federal government departments, including employee names, that advised Minister Trimper with regards to project 1834 (Placentia Aquaculture Installation). b) the recommendation memos (including referenced attachments and reports) provided to Minister Trimper which summarize said advice."

I am pleased to inform you that a decision has been made by the Deputy Minister of the Department of Environment and Climate Change to grant access in part to the requested information. Portions of the attached documents have been severed in accordance with the following exceptions to disclosure as specified in the Act:

27(1)(i): In this section, "cabinet record" means that portion of a record which contains information about the contents of a record within a class of information referred to in paragraphs (a) to (h);

27(2)(a): The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose to an applicant a cabinet record;

34(1)(b): The head of a public body may refuse to disclose information to an applicant if the disclosure could reasonably be expected to reveal information received in confidence from a government, council or organization listed in paragraph (a) or their agencies;
30(1)(b): The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information that would disclose legal opinions provided to a public body by a law officer of the Crown.

Please note that pages 18, 189, 190 and 191 have been fully redacted under s.30(1)(b).

As required by subsection 8(2) of the Act, we have severed information that is exempted from disclosure and have provided you with as much information as possible. In accordance with your request, the appropriate copies of records have been enclosed.

Section 42 of the Act provides that you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the processing of your access request or you may appeal to the Supreme Court Trial Division. 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
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Telephone: (709) 729-6309
Toll-Free: 1-877-729-6309
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

In the event that you choose to appeal to the Trial Division, you must do so within 15 business days after you receive the decision of the public body, pursuant to section 52 of the Act.

Please be advised that this response will be published following a 72 hour period after it 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 response 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 questions, I can be reached by telephone at (709) 729-1589 or by e-mail at nicolerowsell@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

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Previous Department of Environment and Conservation
Pollution Prevention Division – Jocelyn Tucker  
Water Resources Management Division – Haseen Khan  
Wildlife Division and Parks and Natural Areas Division – Kirsten Miller, Rob Perry, John Blake, Ross Firth

Executive Council
Women’s Policy Office – Brenda Grzetic  
Previous Office of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency – Jennifer Forristall Prim

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Government Service Centre (Central) – Robert C. Locke, Barry Adams  
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Fisheries and Aquaculture – Brian Meaney, Bobbi Rees, Elizabeth Barlow and Jonathan Kawaja

Forestry and Agrifoods Agency – Rod Hillyard

Municipal Affairs (including Crown Lands) – Peter Hearns

Natural Resources – Gerald Kennedy
Business, Tourism, Culture and Rural Development
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Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency – Mike Atkinson, Derek McDonald, Joseph Vigder

Transport Canada (including navigable waters) – Melissa Ginn

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Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Kevin Anderson, Ray Finn, Geoff Perry, Ellen Careen, Chris Hendry, Tanya Warren

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