November 18, 2016

Dear [Name],

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act [Our file #ENV/052/2016]

On October 20, 2016 the Department of Environment and Climate Change received your request for access to the following records/information:

“All records regarding complaints about animal care at Salmonier Nature Park. These records should include, but not be limited to, inspection records, decision records, inspection reports, correspondence, notes or other documentation. I would like to get all records since January 1, 2014.”

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 enclosed document have been severed in accordance with the following exceptions to disclosure as specified in the Act:

33(2): The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose to an applicant all relevant information created or gathered for the purpose of a workplace investigation.

40(1): 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.

Please note that pages 2-12, of the September 2016 inspection report titled ‘An Assessment of Animal Care at Salmonier Nature Park’ and pages 13-42 of email correspondence have been fully redacted under Section 33(2) of the Act.

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  
A1B 3V8  
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,

NICOLE ROWSELL  
Departmental ATIPP Coordinator (Back-up)
was in this afternoon, and as he left he informed me that he observed the new mother moose and calf at around 5:30. The mother has bad diarrhea and is keeping the calf from nursing. At one point she was lying down and the calf was being persistent in trying to nurse, and then she stood up and walked off, rather than let it feed. As the calf made repeated attempts, she would grunt and move off from it. [redacted] can be contacted for further details and if need be.