January 27, 2017

Dear [Redacted]

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act [Our file #ENV/007/2017]

On January 25, 2017 the Department of Environment and Climate Change received your request for access to the following records/information:

“I am requesting a formal response to my complaint filed with Water resources Management Division, (Susan George). Dated on September 16th 2016, and in subsequent correspondence with her to present date. I am also requesting a formal response from Minister Trimper on this same complaint filed with his office. A formal complaint to WRMD was made against [Redacted] by me, [Redacted], regarding the actions of dumping of several thousands of tons of non inspected or approved rock sand and material gathered from various quarries adjacent to cartwright and dumped in our harbour front. I have supplied WRMD (Susan George), also Minister Perry Trimpers office, through (Bonnie Learning), emails detailing my complaint of a potential Violation of the Water Resources Act, as well as the Mineral Lands Act, back in September of 2016. accompanied by several photos and videos of prof of this going on here in cartwright. To this date I have not received any formal response to my complaint and now find myself forced to do it in this manner. Respectfully Awaiting your Reply.”

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 to the requested information. In accordance with your request, the appropriate copies of records have been enclosed.

Section 15 of the Act requires us to provide an advisory response within 10 days of receiving a request. As this request has been completed by day 10, this letter also serves as our advisory response.

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 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, 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
Dear [Name],

Re: Formal Complaint - Water Resources Act/ Lands Act

I write in response to your correspondence of November 17, 2016 regarding [Name]'s infilling near his property into Cartwright Harbour, Cartwright.

This issue has been jointly investigated by this Department and the Department of Municipal Affairs. [Name] was advised to stop infilling and to apply for a permit to alter a body of water under the Water Resources Act. [Name] stopped the infilling and applied for a permit. Subsequently, the application was evaluated and a permit (ALT8927-2016) was issued. The permit includes appropriate terms and conditions to minimize damage to the environment during infilling operations. As part of the Government’s transparency, permits and licences issued by this Department are posted online and it is now available at: [http://www.env.gov.nl.ca/env/waterres/permits/water_alt/infilling/2016/ALT8927_2016_D&L.pdf](http://www.env.gov.nl.ca/env/waterres/permits/water_alt/infilling/2016/ALT8927_2016_D&L.pdf).

I trust this addresses your inquiry. In case you need any additional information on this, please contact Mr. Haseen Khan via telephone at (709) 729-2563 or via email at hkhan@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

PERRY TRIMPER, MHA
District of Lake Melville
Minister

cc: Honourable Eddie Joyce, Minister of Municipal Affairs