Government of Newfoundland and Labrador
Department of Natural Resources
Office of the Deputy Minister

February 20, 2014

Dear [Redacted]: s.30(1)

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, file # NR-002-2014

On February 3, 2014, the Department of Natural Resources received your request for access to the following records/information:

Any reports, documents or other communications sent to the Department of Natural Resources from the Muskrat Falls independent engineer as described in the Muskrat Falls federal loan guaranteed agreement.

Please be advised that the Department of Natural Resources has no records responsive to your request. As stated in the Terms and Conditions of the Federal Loan Guarantee the Independent Engineer represents the Guarantor and the Lenders. The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador is neither Guarantor nor Lender under the agreement and, as such, does not receive communications, reports, etc. from the Independent Engineer.

Section 43 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (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 shall be made in writing within 60 days of the date of this letter or within a longer period that may be allowed by the Information and Privacy Commissioner. The address and contact information of the Information and Privacy Commissioner is as follows:
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner  
34 Pippy Place  
P. O. Box 13004, Stn. A  
St. John’s, NL A1B 3V8  
Telephone: (709) 729-6309  
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

In the event that you choose to appeal to the Trial Division, you must do so within 30 days of the date of this letter. Section 60 of the Act sets out the process to be followed when filing such an appeal.

Please be advised that Access to Information response files, including response letters such as this one, and responsive records where applicable, will be published following a 72 hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the responsive files posted on the Office of Public Engagement's website within one business day following the applicable period of time. Please note that your identity and any other personal information that may exist in the response file will not be made public. Please note also that no portion of requests for personal information will be published.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the department’s ATIPP Coordinator at (709) 729-3214.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

CHARLES W. BOWN  
Deputy Minister