

December 10, 2018



Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* [Our File #: FIN-94-2018]

On November 9, 2018, the Department of Finance received your access to information request for the following:

“Public Utilities Income Tax Transfer Act 7. Under this Act, the Minister of Finance may make certain payments to the provinces in respect of income taxes paid by certain public utility corporations under Part I of the Income Tax Act. Where a province certifies that it has paid part or all of such payment to the designated utility corporation for the use and benefit of such corporation, the amount so certified is exempt from income tax in the hands of the corporation. 1/Provide by year for the last 5 year payments from the federal gov to NL under Public Utilities Income Tax Transfer Act.”

The Department of Finance has completed a search of its records and has determined that it has nothing responsive to the above request. The search consisted of a review of the income tax revenue account in Government’s Financial Management System (FMS), which concluded that the level of detail requested is not captured in the system as it is not required for financial management purposes.

Please be advised that 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.

The response will be published following a 72-hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where the response is 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 further questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned by telephone at 709-729-2082, or by email at BethBartlett@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beth Bartlett".

Beth Bartlett, CIAPP-C
ATIPP Coordinator