December 3, 2015

Dear [Name] - 40(1)

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act BTRCD 40/2015

On November 19, 2015, the Department of Business, Tourism, Culture and Rural Development received your request for access to the following records:

"The Department is to provide any and all information connected to a meeting which took place on August 3, 2010 with respect to the George River Caribou Herd and/or the population census of the herd. Information to include, but shall not be limited to:

1) A confirmation of whom attended the meeting on behalf of TCR
2) What concerns, if any, were put forward on behalf of TCR with respect to the Labrador Tourism Industry and/or Tourism Operators and/or Outfitters
3) What concerns, if any, were put forward on behalf of TCR with respect to the management and/or recovery strategy for the GRCH
4) What suggestions, if any, were put forward on behalf of TCR with respect to mitigating any potential negative impacts on the Department’s regulated Tourism Operators/Outfitters as identified on the Department’s database"

Please be advised that the Deputy Minister for the Department of Business, Tourism, Culture and Rural Development has reviewed this request and the department has found no records responsive to your request. From consultations with the Department of Environment it was determined that Mary Taylor Ash (ADM) was present at the meeting you mentioned but there were no notes/records of any issues/concerns/suggestions that were raised by her.

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.

If you have any further questions, please contact me by telephone at 709-729-3356 or by email wcomeau@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

Wayne Comeau
ATIPP Coordinator