April 11, 2019

Dear [Name]

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 [Our File #: MAE/008/2019]

On January 22, 2019, the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment received your request for access to the following records/information:

"Any and all records of any nature which pertain to the approval of the 2009/2010 Non Commercial Big Game Management Strategy for caribou harvesting in Labrador, by then Minister of Environment and Conservation, Hon. Charlene Johnson."

Please be advised that the Deputy Minister has reviewed this request and the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment (MAE) has no records responsive to your request.

For your information, Government’s Wildlife Division has been a division of the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources since 2017. Any documentation that the Department of MAE has in relation to the Wildlife Division is in our Department’s legacy records. Please be advised that an exhaustive search was conducted on our legacy records in relation to this request. Specifically, a search was conducted for a 2009/2010 Non Commercial Big Game Management Strategy for caribou harvesting in Labrador.

Following an extensive search, no such strategy was found within documents under the custody and control of the Department of MAE. Please note that the vast majority of our legacy records related to caribou at that time refer only to inland Newfoundland Caribou Strategy, which is outside the realm of caribou harvesting in Labrador.

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 feel free to contact me by telephone at 709-729-7183 or by e-mail at ryan.collins@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

RYAN COLLINS  
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Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment