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November 20, 2019

Sent via email to: []

Our File: FOI-2020-011

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Dear []:

Re: Request under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

British Columbia Ferry Services Inc. (BC Ferries) received your request for access to records under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the FOIPP Act) on July 23, 2019. Your request was as follows:

"I am interested in the per unit cost of the cable system for the Denman Island ferry. By this, I mean the cable that is used to pull the ferry from Buckley Bay to Denman Island. Can you also provide the name of the cable vendor."

The record that was created to respond to your request was sent in a consultation to a third party. Further to our letter of October 21, 2019, the third party had 20 business days to apply for a review of our decision regarding disclosure of the record. As the third party did not apply for a review, attached please find a copy of the record responsive to your request.

The record contains information excepted from disclosure under the FOIPP Act. This information was severed so the remaining information could be disclosed. We have noted on the record which section of the FOIPP Act was relied on to sever the information.

Under section 21 of the FOIPP Act, we must refuse to disclose financial or similar information of or about a third party, supplied in confidence, whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to: harm the competitive position or interfere significantly with the negotiating position of the third party; result in similar information no longer being supplied to BC Ferries; or, result in undue financial loss or gain to any person or organization. We have also withheld the same information under section 17, as its disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the financial interests of BC Ferries.

On August 12, 2019, we sent you a fee estimate letter for \$12.23 for this request. Thank you for your deposit of \$13.00 received on August 23, 2019. The final charge for this request is \$24.36. We have calculated this amount using our commercial applicant rate, as follows:

Locating and retrieving the records	Less than 3 free hours provided in the FOIPP Act	No charge
Producing the record manually	0.25 hours @ \$48.52/hour	\$12.13
Preparing records for disclosure	0.25 hours @ \$48.52/hour	\$12.13
Scanned electronic copies of paper records	1 page @ \$0.10/page	\$0.10
	Total	\$24.36
	Less deposit	\$13.00
	Amount owing	\$11.36

The charge was more than originally estimated because more time was needed to produce the record manually. BC Ferries has decided to waive the final fees owed for this particular request.

You can apply to the Information and Privacy Commissioner for a review of this response. You have 30 working days from receipt of this letter to request a review by writing to:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for British Columbia PO Box 9038, Stn. Prov. Govt. Victoria, BC V8W 9A4 Facsimile: (250) 387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with a copy of this letter, a copy of your original request, and the reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.

If you have any questions, please write or call our office at (250) 978-1502.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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