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Sent via email to: []

August 3, 2016

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Our File: FOI-2017-009

Dear []:

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

British Columbia Ferry Services Inc. received your request for access to records under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the FOIPP Act) on June 23, 2016. You are seeking:

Information and records with regard to legal and other costs paid for by BC Ferries with regard to the civil suit '[] versus []'.

The Parties have settled this matter. The settlement involves an apology from [] to [], and reimbursement by [] of legal costs with respect to the Claim. The Parties have agreed to keep the settlement otherwise confidential.

In accordance with section 14 of the FOIPP Act, BC Ferries declines to provide access to the requested records, as they are subject to solicitor-client privilege. In addition, disclosure of personal information within the records would be an unreasonable invasion of third parties' privacy (section 22(1)). Considerations relevant to this determination are that the personal information was supplied in confidence and is subject to a confidentiality agreement (section 22(2)(f)), a third party could be exposed unfairly to financial or other harm if released (section 22(2)(e)), and disclosure may unfairly damage the reputation of any person referred to in the records (section 22(2)(h)).

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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