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January 28, 2016

Ms. Christine Van Geyn
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Canadian Taxpayers Federation
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Dear Ms. Van Geyn,

Re: Freedom of Information Request ENERGY-15-62 (Decision)

I am writing further to your request under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) for:

... the amount paid to date for any and all external consultants for the Hydro One sale, including financial and legal consultants.

You have requested that the Ministry of Energy provide you with "the amount paid to date for any and all external consultants for the Hydro One sale, including financial and legal consultants." We have interpreted your request to be for:

- (a) the amounts billed by those non-legal consultants who have been retained to advise on matters related to the Initial public offering of shares in Hydro One (Hydro One IPO) and whose accounts the Ministry of Energy is responsible for paying; and
- (b) the total amounts billed to the Province of Ontario by legal advisors retained to advise on matters related to the Hydro One IPO.

As you may be aware, Cabinet Office has previously released costs associated with the retention of various external consultants retained by the Province of Ontario in relation to the Hydro One transaction.

In addition to these consultants, the total billings for a financial consultant, whose account the Ministry of Energy is responsible for paying, are \$36,008.59. This amount represents all invoices the Ministry of Energy has received from this financial consultant as of November 30, 2015.

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Additionally, legal advisors have been retained to provide advice on matters related to the Hydro One IPO. We have consulted within the Ontario government and have determined that the total billings for legal advisors that the Province of Ontario, including the Ministry of Energy, has received as of November 30, 2015 are approximately 6.2 million dollars.

The decision on your request was made by Robert Burns, Chief Administrative Officer of the Ministry of Energy.

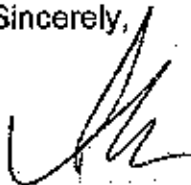
You may, within 30 days, request a review of this decision by the Information and Privacy Commissioner, 2 Bloor Street East, Suite 1400, Toronto, Ontario, M4W 1A8, telephone 416-326-3333 or toll free 1-800-387-0073.

If you file an appeal, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

1. The request number;
2. A copy of this letter;
3. A copy of your original request; and
4. A cheque for the \$25.00 appeal fee (payable to the Minister of Finance).

If you have any questions about your request or this decision, please call me at 416-325-8899.

Sincerely,



Alexandra Kozlov
FOI Coordinator