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Mr. Kevin Lacey
2615 Fuller Terrace
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Dear Mr. Lacey:

RE: Review Report 16-11 / Our File FI-12-80 / Public Body File EXE-12-2

Enclosed please find a copy of my review report issued on October 20, 2016 concerning the above-noted request for review.

The Executive Council Office did not supply any submissions in this matter preferring to rely instead on the position taken by the Department of Business in response to a request for virtually identical records. As a result, the reasons set out in Review Report 16-11 make extensive references to Review Report 16-10 which deals with the Department of Business request. I have therefore also provided a copy of Review Report 16-10 to each of the parties in this matter.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by signing the enclosed copy and returning it to me at your earliest convenience.

Pursuant to section 40 of the *Act*, the Executive Council Office must make a decision with regard to the recommendation contained in this report and give written notice of that decision to the Information and Privacy Commissioner and to you, as the applicant, within 30 days of receiving this report. In accordance with section 41 of the *Act*, you can appeal to the Nova Scotia Supreme Court. An appeal must be made within 30 days after receiving the Executive Council Office's response to the recommendation contained in the report.

Alternatively, if the Executive Council Office does not give a written decision within 30 days of receiving this report, it is deemed to have refused to follow my recommendation. In this case your appeal to the Nova Scotia Supreme Court must be made within 30 days of when the decision was due, i.e. the deemed refusal date.

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I will be posting a copy of the review report on the OIPC NS website, www.foipop.ns.ca. This is to ensure that all parties and the public understand what the Information and Privacy Commissioner decided in the review.

Should you decide to appeal the Executive Council Office's decision to the Nova Scotia Supreme Court, we would appreciate being advised of that appeal.

Yours truly,



Catherine Tully
Information and Privacy Commissioner for Nova Scotia

Enclosures

I acknowledge receipt of the review report 16-11.

Signature: _____

Date: _____