



May 20, 2021



Re: We do not have the information you asked for □2021-00987-PSC

The Public Service Commission received your application for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* on May 14, 2021.

In your application, you requested a copy of the following records:

Please provide documentation on pay reductions for staff (including ones decided by an arbitrator/through negotiation) since May 1, 2020 and any estimates on the savings to government from those reductions. Please note pay reductions to wages and salaries, not reductions to benefits, overtime pay, etc. A summary note is preferable - for example: Fire Union, 1 % reduction; Police union, 1 % reduction; Transit union, 1.5% reduction; CUPE, 1% reduction. Further, please provide any briefing notes or memos that were created between August 1, 2020 and September 30, 2020 that were related to pay reductions. (Date Range for Record Search: From 04/30/2020 To 05/13/2021)

After a file search, we have located no records responsive to your application. Additionally, please note that the Public Service Commission did not implement any of the pay decreases your request refers to. Therefore, it is my understanding, pursuant to clause 7(2)(b) of the *Act*, that the Public Service Commission does not have custody or control of (a) record(s) which would respond to your application.

I am unaware of a department or agency which would hold such (a) record(s).

You have the right to ask for a review of this decision by the Information Access and Privacy Commissioner (formerly the Review Officer). You have 60 days from the date of this letter to exercise this right. If you wish to ask for a review, you may do so on Form 7, a copy of which is attached. Send the completed form to the Information Access and Privacy Commissioner, P.O. Box 181, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 2M4.

Please be advised that a de-identified copy of this disclosure letter and the attached response to your FOIPOP application will be made public after 14 days. The package will be posted online at https://openinformation.novascotia.ca/. The letter will not include your name, address, or any other personal information that you have supplied while making your application under FOIPOP.

Please contact Neil Frelick at 902-424-3843 or by e-mail at neil.frelick@novascotia.ca, if you need further assistance regarding this application.

Sincerely,

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Attach.