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Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy

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Mr. Derek Fildebrandt Canadian Taxpayers Federation 3625 Shaganappi Trail NW PO Box 84171 Market Mall Calgary, Alberta T3A 5C4

Dear Mr. Fildebrandt:

Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Request

Alberta Culture is responding to your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Act* (Act). The request is for copies of all paid expense records and supporting documents (receipts, etc.) submitted by, or on behalf of, Minister Heather Klimchuk, from May 8, 2012 to August 31, 2012.

Under section 29 of the Act, the head of a public body may refuse to disclose information that is to be published or released to the public within 60 days after the applicant's request is received. The FOIP Office understands that Alberta Culture intends to make the information available to the public on or before December 4, 2012. Given the intent to publicly disclose these records, they are being withheld in their entirety in accordance with section 29. On the day that the records are made public, you will be advised that the records are publicly available and informed how they may be accessed. A copy of section 29 of the Act is attached.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Ms. Heather Johnson, FOIP Access Advisor, at 780-415-9176.

Under section 65 of the FOIP Act, you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any matter pertaining to your request. You have 60 days from the date of this notice to request a review by completing and delivering a *Request for Review* form to the Information and Privacy Commissioner at:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner 410, 9925 – 109 Street Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2J8 The form is available under the Resources tab at www.oipc.ab.ca or by calling 1-888-878-4044.

Roger Mariner FOIP Coordinator

Attachment

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Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Part 1 – FREEDOM OF INFORMATION Division 2 – Exceptions to Disclosures

Section 29 - Information that is or will be available to the public

- 29(1) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information
 - (a) that is readily available to the public,
 - (a.1) that is available for purchase by the public, or
- (b) that is to be published or released to the public within 60 days after the applicant's request is received.
- (2) The head of a public body must notify an applicant of the publication or release of information that the head has refused to disclose under subsection (1)(b).
- (3) If the information is not published or released within 60 days after the applicant's request is received, the head of the public body must reconsider the request as if it were a new request received on the last day of that period, and access to the information requested must not be refused under subsection (1)(b).

RSA 2000 cF-25 s29;2003 c21 s6