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Colin Craig 1881 Portage Avenue PO Box 42123 Winnipeg, MB R3J 3X7

Dear Mr. Craig:

Re: Access to Information Request SPC61/14G

Your Access to Information Request was received in our office on September 25, 2014 requested the following information:

"FOI response SPC31/14G provided a breakdown of \$97,385,589 of the \$142.6 refurbishment plan for SaskPower's head office. Please provide a breakdown of the remaining \$45.2 million and how it was to be spent."

As outlined in our decision in our letter of September 5, 2014, in respect of Access to Information Request SPC31/14G, the estimated costs of the refurbishment included a "Revised Base Capital Estimate" of \$97.4 million, which amount was based on a "Total Preliminary Estimate" of construction costs of \$97,385,589, and we granted the applicant access to the applicable record.

As further outlined in our letter of September 5, 2014, we previously denied the applicant access to other records relating to the estimated costs of the refurbishment project in a decision outlined in our letter of August 8, 2014. In that previous decision, we advised that access to the other records was refused as such records consisted of and included advice, proposals, recommendations, analysis and policy options, for consideration of SaskPower as well as agendas or minutes of the Board of Directors and committees of SaskPower and that information of this nature is exempt from access according to Section 17(1)(a), 17(1)(f)(i)(ii) and 17(1)(g) of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, which provisions state as follows:

"17(1) Subject to subsection (2), a head may refuse to give access to a record that could reasonably be expected to disclose:

- (a) advice, proposals, recommendations, analyses or policy options developed by or for a government institution or a member of the Executive Council;
- (f) agendas or minutes of:

- (i) a board, commission, Crown corporation or other body that is a government institution; or
- (ii) a prescribed committee of a government institution mentioned in subclause (i); or
- (g) information, including the proposed plans, policies or projects of a government institution, the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to result in disclosure of a pending policy or budgetary decision."

While we denied you access to the other records on such a basis, however, we did provide you the following breakdown of the estimate of the cost of the refurbishment of SaskPower's Regina head office in our letter of September 5, 2014:

Project Management and Design Costs	\$8.6 million
Revised Base Capital Estimate	\$97.4 million
Construction Contingency	\$6.6 million
Management Contingency	\$14.5 million
Internal Financing Costs	\$15.7 million
TOTAL	\$142.8 million

Though we have again provided you the above breakdown of the estimated costs for the refurbishment of the head office, we are continuing to deny the applicant access to the other records relating such estimated costs pursuant to Section 17(1)(a), 17(1)(f)(i)(ii) and 17(1)(g) of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

If you wish to request a review of this decision, you may do so within one year of this notice. To request a review, please complete a "Request for Review" form, which is available at the same location where you applied for access. Your request should be sent to the Information and Privacy Commissioner at 503 - 1801 Hamilton Street, Regina, Saskatchewan, S4P 4B4.

Please contact me at (306) 566-2466 should you wish to discuss this matter further.

Yours truly,

Access Officer

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