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Dear

Re: Your Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request

I write further to your request dated February 24, 2014, made pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ("FIPPA"). Your request was transferred to the Metro Vancouver Transit Police by TransLink on February 24, 2014. In that request you sought access to the following records:

[any and all documents on the steps to implement the 'See Something, Say Something' strategy, including consultant government agencies and public relations firms]

The See Something Say Something is a public awareness campaign – it is a simple effective program to raise public awareness of indicators of crime and to emphasize the importance of reporting activity to law enforcement authorities.

The Metro Vancouver Transit Police wholeheartedly supports the "crime reduction" approach to policing, and is proactively developing partnerships with the communities we work in to make using the transit system safer.

Crime reduction adopts a problem-solving approach to crime, and it takes the concept of prevention to a new level. It seeks to address the root causes of crime and to engage the broader community (government, residential and commercial) to form meaningful partnerships that share information and resources to change conditions, attitudes and opportunities that lead to crime.

The Metro Vancouver Transit Police consulted with the Department of Homeland Security for the use of the slogan. There have been no costs associated to the campaign other than \$1,000 for producing and printing over 5,000 'On Duty - See Something Say Something' stickers (sample enclosed).

Please be advised that records released 'in the public interest' will be published on our website at: www.transitpolice.bc.ca.

As you are aware, under s. 52 of the Act, you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review our response to your request. You have thirty (30) days from the receipt of this letter to request a review by writing to:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner
P.O. Box 9038, Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, B.C. V8W 9A4
Telephone (250)387-5629 Fax (250)387-1696

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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