



April 23, 2014

Ms. Sharon Noble

**Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2014-65**

The BC Safety Authority received your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) on April 9, 2014.

According to your application, you requested a **copy of the official report on the incident at 126 Aspen, Sparwood, BC on August 1, 2012.**

Please find attached the requested documents. Some of the records you requested, however, contain third party and personal information that is excepted from disclosure under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act). I have severed the excepted information so that I could disclose to you the remaining information in the documents.

The severed information is excepted from disclosure under sections 21(1) (a) (ii) and 22(1) of the Act.

Section 21(1)(a) (ii) states that:

The head of a public body must refuse to disclose to an applicant information (a) that would reveal

(ii) commercial, financial, labour relations, scientific or technical information of or about a third party.

Section 22(1) states that:

The head of a public body must refuse to disclose personal information to an applicant if the disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy.

Severing was necessary in order to protect the third party and personal information of identifiable individuals in the disclosed documents.

I have noted on the record disclosed to you which section of the Act I have relied on to sever the information.

I trust this will meet with your requirements.



Under Section 52 of the Act, you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the BC Safety Authority's response to your request. You have 30 days from receipt of this notice to request a review by writing to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner
PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, British Columbia, V8W 9A4
Telephone: (250) 387-5629 Fax: (250) 387-1696

If you wish to request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with the following:

- 1) The request number assigned to your request as quoted at the top of this letter;
- 2) A copy of this letter; and
- 3) A copy of your original request for information sent to the BC Safety Authority.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss any part of your request, please contact me at sarb.dhut@safetyauthority.ca or call me at 778-396-2160.

Sincerely,



Sarb Dhut
Records, Information and Privacy Analyst
British Columbia Safety Authority



Incident Report

File Number: 5200786
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: VICTOR LIGHTFOOT
Type of Premises: Commercial

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2012/08/03
Incident Time: 17:00
Investigation Date: 2012/08/07

Incident Location: 126 Aspen Drive
Area: SPARWOOD

Executive Summary:

A fire in a meter base on August 3 2012, at the Canada Post building 126 Aspen Drive, Sparwood B.C. The fire was contained to the meter base. There was no reported injuries. This incident was not reported to the B.C. Safety Authority until August 7 2012. The cause was not determined.

Full Description of Incident:

A fire in a meter base, at the Canada Post building at 126 Aspen Drive, Sparwood, B.C. on August 3 2012. The fire was contained to the meter base. There were no reported injuries. The fire occurred about 4 hours after the meter was changed, by Corix (A B.C. Hydro contractor conducting the smart meter replacement program) This incident was reported to the B.C. Safety Authority on August 7 2012, by a local Cranbrook contractor who has a standing contract with Canada Post to perform service work. Apparently the event occurred sometime the afternoon of Aug 3. Corix hired an electrical contractor from Elkford BC to replace a burnt meter base (permit # 5194968). This contractor failed to notify the B.C Safety Authority of the incident. Both the contractor and the Sparwood Fire Department have been informed of their responsibility, to report all electrical incidents to the B.C. Safety Authority as per the Safety Standards General Regulations. No site inspection was done by the Electrical Safety Officer. Cause was not determined.

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

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Incident Severity: Level 3 Equipment Damage: Minor Property Damage: Minor

People Involved:

Number of People Injured: 0 Number of People Deceased: 0

Cause Summary:

Cause is undetermined. Due to the fact that the B.C. Safety Authority, was not given a opportunity to inspect the damaged meter base, cause can not be determined. As the fire occurred in the meter base that was connected and had a new smart meter installed, there is no way to know if the cause was from a damaged meter base or from the smart meter.



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ELECTRICAL INSPECTION REQUEST

Electrical Contractor Installation Permit

Inspection Requested : 02 Aug 2012

AREA # 803

Permit/Product Approval # 5194968

Issue Date : 2012/08/02

Expiry Date: 2013/01/29

Installation Name: SPARWOOD POST OFFICE

Suite/Location:

Installation Address: 126 ASPEN DRIVE , SPARWOOD

Contact Phone Number: *See 22(1)*

Directions:

See
I, HEYBOER, JASON D. (FSR # *22(1)*) a Field Safety Representative for CROSS CIRCUIT ELECTRONIC LTD (Contractor # 200604) have physically examined the electrical work completed under the above-mentioned permit, and hereby certify that the electrical installation authorized thereby has been installed to comply with the Safety Standards Act and Regulations of British Columbia.

- All Electrical work has been completed

Remarks : METER BASE AND CONDUIT REPLACED

Signature of Field Safety Representative _____

Contractor Phone Number _____ Date _____

Voltage _____ Amps _____ Phase _____ Electric Heat _____ kw