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PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

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Via email only: Jonathan.olfert@su.ualberta.ca

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act- Fee Waiver Request - Granted*

Thank you for your July 12, 2021 email, asking for a waiver of the fees set out in our recent fee estimate. We are responding to your request with respect to Reference # 2021-G-0098 now.

An applicant can request to be excused from paying a fee on one of two bases:

- A. The applicant cannot afford the payment or for any other reason it is fair to excuse payment, or
- B. The record relates to a matter of public interest, including the environment or public health or safety.

We appreciate the fact that you have submitted a request with a narrow time frame, which is limited to correspondence to and from named individuals. This clarity and focus certainly assists with processing the request. However, for the reasons set out below, it appears that in these circumstances, it would not be appropriate to waive the fee set out in our fee estimate.

Public interest

I have considered the criteria for determining whether a fee should be waived due to public interest. Based on the established criteria and the information you submitted with your request we are granting your fee waiver request. **The fee of \$1902.00 is waived in its entirety.**

Under Section 65(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this matter. To request a review, you must complete and deliver a *Request for Review* form within 60 days from the date of this notice to the Commissioner at 410, 9925 – 109 Street, Edmonton, Alberta, T5K 2J8. The form is available under the resources tab on the Commissioner's website at: <http://www.oipc.ab.ca> or you can call 1-888-878-4044 to request a copy of the form.

When requesting a review, please provide the Office of the Commissioner with the following information:

1. The reference number noted at the top of this notice.

2. A copy of this letter.
3. A copy of your original request form that you sent to the University of Alberta.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at foip@ualberta.ca quoting file number 2021-G-0098.

Yours truly,

Mary Golab
Director, Information and Privacy Office