



BCUC & Smart Meter Fires:

The Failure to Protect

PART 2

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
(CONTINUED)**

SHARON NOBLE
JULY 2017

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

361 Albert St.

Nanaimo, BC

Nov. 29, 2014

Incident No. 2014 11 29 03 02

Fire department completed the report more than 2 months after the fire even though one person died.

Report not available from OFC or JAG for more than 6 weeks.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined

BCSA could not inspect the meters which had been removed by BC Hydro prior to the inspection although no sign of arcing.

The GFCI circuit breaker had been tripped and was inoperable. Light fixtures were destroyed. Too much damage to determine cause.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CNA 2014 11 29 03 02

Location of Incident: **361 ALBERT ST
NANAIMO BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **7** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **1** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **s.22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **:s.22** Content Value: **s.22** Total Value at Risk: **s.22**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3900 RESIDENTIAL - WITH BUSINESS/MERCANTILE, UP TO 3 STORIES
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3290 APARTMENT, TOWNHOUSE - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0020 1920 OR BEFORE
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 8000 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - AC POWER NOT CONNECTED, DISABLE OR OFF
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 4000 2ND STOREY OR OVER 3M TO 6M (10FT TO 20FT) ABOVE GRADE
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1400 LOUNGE, LIVING ROOM - INCLUDES MUSIC ROOM, COMMON ROOM, TV R
EXTENT OF FIRE : 4000 CONFINED TO FLOOR LEVEL OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
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Telephone Report Date
250-753-7311 2015-02-03

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CNA 2014 11 29 03 02

Remarks:

A STRUCTURE FIRE IN A 7 ROOM APARTMENT ON THE SECOND FLOOR CONTAINING A FAMILY OF 8 RESULTING IN THE DEATH OF 1 INDIVIDUAL. CAUSE UN-DETERMINED.

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Incident Report

File Number: 5520445
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: STEVEN SHARPE
Type of Premises: Other

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2014/11/29
Incident Time: 03:21
Investigation Date: 2014/12/02

Incident Location: 361 Albert Street (Upstairs residence)
Area: NANAIMO-MAKI RD/10TH ST N

Executive Summary:

A family of seven, living in a two story wood frame building with an upstairs residence, suffered a fatality as a result from a structure fire. It is indeterminate whether electrical infrastructure contributed to the initiation of the fire. The majority of the second story, living room, dining room, hall and two bedrooms were heavily damaged by fire with the remainder of the residence damaged by smoke and firefighter investigation debris.

Full Description of Incident:

BCSA received a Tiger Tel report of a fire on December 29th at 3:21 AM on Tuesday 2/12/2014 at 361 Albert Street in Nanaimo. A formal request from the Nanaimo fire department was received from Sec 3360 to BCSA electrical safety officer Sec 3260 on Monday 1/12/2014 and responded we would attend. Attending on Tuesday 2/12/2014 BCSA safety officers Sec 3360 for the south Nanaimo area, investigation lead Sec 3260 and Sec 3260 as an observer. Also attending the scene were Nanaimo fire department fire prevention officers Sec 3360 and Sec 3260 as well as Sec 3260 insurance adjuster Sec 3260 and Triplesevens Fire Consultant Sec 3260. Arrived onsite at 10:54. The fire occurred in the upstairs of a two story 41.5' x 29', early 1900's wood frame and sloped roof structure. Access to the site is from the N driveway and parking area and access to the upstairs is gained by an outside staircase to the NW side of the building. The lower story of the building is a thrift store called 'Abigails Attic' and the upstairs is a two bedroom residential rental unit. The building is supplied NE with a single mast, dual meter-base with two 100 amp electrical services. The meters were removed and sealed with Hydro tags. The Hydro service conductors were connected to the building. At 11:20 we entered the building. Seven people were sleeping when fire broke out. One fatality occurred as a result of injuries from the fire. The remainder of the residents escaped without injury. The main living room on the N side, dining room on the NW side, master bedroom in the NE, second bedroom in the SE and hallway were severely damaged by fire and smoke. The light fixtures of the dining room, living room, master bed room and second bedroom were either destroyed or missing. A power bar, all the cords and entertainment equipment in the living room, were completely destroyed. Most of the receptacles and light switches in the burnt areas were heavily damaged by fire. A baseboard heater in the living room on the N wall was destroyed by fire. Exposed electrical wiring in the rooms was destroyed. The NE master bedroom was heavily damaged. Some areas were not damaged by fire but only heat and smoke. The electrical service panel is in the NE bedroom and had fire and heat damage to the front cover. The circuit breakers were burnt but not melted beyond operation. There was no evidence of electrical arcing on the outside cover of the panel. The panel schedule information was still mostly legible. The service panel is a FPE, 1phase, 100 Amp, 120/240V combination panel with 21 used circuits. There are 3 two pole 20Amp, 1 two pole 30 Amp, 1 two pole 40 amp, 1 single pole 15 Amp GFCI and 10 single pole 15 Amp circuits. The GFCI circuit breaker appeared to be either in the tripped or off position and was inoperable. There were two tripped 15Amp single pole breakers with the labels next to them indicating, on the bottom left side the 'washer' and on the bottom right side the 'receptacles & lights living room'. There was one single pole 15amp circuit breaker on the right side in the off position with the label 'smoke detector hall receptacle' next to it. One two pole 20Amp breaker appeared to be in the tripped position. The remainder of the breakers were in the on position. Inside the panel the wiring was intact with no evidence of electrical arcing. The SE bedroom was heavily damaged by fire and smoke with some areas not damaged by fire but only heat and smoke with mattresses mostly intact. The victim was recovered from this room by firefighters and transported to the hospital where the victim passed away from the injuries. The Kitchen, pantry, and bathroom and main entryway received mostly smoke damage and debris from the firefighter's fire-search investigation. Sec 3260 stated the police witnessed the sequence of the windows being blown out. The damage around the windows can be seen in the photos with little damage around the NE bedroom windows. we left 12:21

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

- One victim was removed by firefighter search and rescue, transported to hospital where the victim passed away due to injuries from smoke inhalation and burns. The remainder of the family, six people, escaped from the building without injuries.
- The main living room, dining room, master bedroom in the NE, second bedroom in the SE and hallway of a second story early 1900's wood framed building, were severely damaged by fire and smoke. The hall, dining area with a table and living room area, containing a wood stove, a couch and lounge chair, a TV entertainment area and two mattresses, one behind the couch and the



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other on the floor, suffered complete damage. A power bar, all the cords and entertainment equipment in the living room, were completely destroyed by the fire.

The NE master bedroom was heavily damaged but not completely with some areas not damaged by fire. The electrical panel is in the NE bedroom and had fire and heat damage to the front cover. The circuit breakers were burnt but not melted beyond functioning. There was no evidence of electrical arcing on the outside cover of the panel. The panel schedule information, although damaged was still mostly legible. Inside the panel the wiring was intact with no evidence of electrical arcing.

The SE bedroom was heavily damaged by fire and smoke but not completely with mattresses mostly intact. The Kitchen, pantry, and bathroom received mostly smoke damage and debris from the firefighter's fire-search investigation. The living room window and dining room window were both broken out with heavy smoke and scorching on the outside of the building. The NE master bedroom windows were also broken out with little smoke damage on the outside of the building.

Incident Severity: Level 1

Equipment Damage: Extensive

Property Damage: Extensive

People Involved:

Number of People Injured: 1

Number of People Deceased: 1

Cause Summary:

The building is supplied with a single mast to a dual meter-base with two electrical services both 100 Amps. The meters, on the NE side of the building, were removed and sealed with Hydro tags. The Hydro service conductors remained connected to the building.

The light fixtures of the dining room, living room, master bed room and second bedroom were either destroyed by the fire or were missing. A power bar, all the cords and entertainment equipment in the living room, were completely destroyed by the fire. Most of the receptacles and light switches in the burnt areas were heavily damaged by fire. A baseboard heater in the living room on the N wall under a window was destroyed by fire. Much of the exposed electrical wiring in the rooms was completely destroyed.

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It is undetermined whether the breakers were in their positions as a result of a fault or as a result of the fire.

The damage to the residence structure is too extensive to determine if electrical infrastructure was involved in the initiation of the fire.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

458 Kennedy St.

Nanaimo, BC

Nov 15, 2011

BCSA no. 4939893

No fire report available since there was just an overheated smart meter, burned wires, no fire.

The meter had been removed and replaced before the BCSA inspection was done.



July 16, 2014

Ms. Sharon Noble

Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2014-128

The BC Safety Authority received your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) on July 11, 2014.

According to your application, you requested the **details of the incident in 2011 that involved a smart meter identified on table 15 of the 2011 State of Safety Report.**

Please find attached the requested document.

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:

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Victoria, British Columbia, V8W 9A4
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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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sarb Dhut", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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



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Incident Report

File Number: 4939893
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: RANDY CORMIER
Type of Premises: Single Family Residential

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2011/11/15
Incident Time: 17:05
Investigation Date: 2011/11/22

Incident Location: 458 Kennedy Street (Meter socket)
Area: NANAIMO-MAKI RD/10TH ST N

Executive Summary:

Fire department contacted Ivan Pye, Senior Safety Officer, with information about an incident caused by installation of smart metering.

Full Description of Incident:

Ivan Pye, electrical senior safety officer, was notified by the Fire Department of an incident caused by the installation of a smart meter on November 15, 2011. I did not attend the site as an electrical contractor repaired the damage before an investigation could be done.

The owner's adult daughter smelled electrical burning and called the fire department at 1705. There was no fire. Hydro and the fire department attended.

This report is for documentation purposes.

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

Damage to meter socket.

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

People Involved:

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

Cause Summary:

BC Hydro contractor installed a new meter in an old socket and cause the neutral connection to malfunction.

1-1400 Wingrove St.

Nanaimo, BC

Oct. 19, 2013

Fire report completed by fire dept. Dec. 2, 2013, 6 weeks after the fire. Not on OFC system until Oct. 6, 2014. It probably was submitted too late to be included in the annual report.

Igniting object: Electrical distribution equipment, permanent wiring

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Electrical (Spark, arcing)

Act or omission: Electrical short circuit

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CNA 2013 10 19 08 02**

Location of Incident: **1 - 1400 WINGROVE ST
NANAIMO BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **9** # of Injured: **6** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$585,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$300,000** Content Value: **\$335,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$635,000**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	3900 RESIDENTIAL - WITH BUSINESS/MERCANTILE, UP TO 3 STORIES
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	1710 RESTAURANT - INCLUDES EATING PLACES SPECIALIZING IN FOOD PRI
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	1976 1976
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	2000 FIRE ALARM SYSTEM - LOCAL (BUILDING ONLY)
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION :	1000 SMOKE ALARM DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT :	1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	7300 CEILING & FLOOR ASSEMBLY - INCLUDES CONCEALED FLOOR/CEILING
EXTENT OF FIRE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	5100 PERMANENT ELECTRIC WIRING, CABLE (NON-ALUMINUM) - INCLUDES P
FUEL OR ENERGY :	6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT :	2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION :	4400 ELECTRICAL SHORT CIRCUIT

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CNA 2013 10 19 08 02**

Location of Incident: **1 - 1400 WINGROVE ST
NANAIMO BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **9** # of Injured: **6** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **s.22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: \$ **s.22** Content Value: **s.22** Total Value at Risk: \$ **s.22**

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ACT OR OMISSION :	4400 ELECTRICAL SHORT CIRCUIT

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CNA 2013 10 19 08 02

Remarks:

THE TWO STOREY WOOD FRAME STRUCTURE WAS BUILT IN 1976 AS A COMMERCIAL/ RESIDENTIAL BUILDING. THE GROUND FLOOR CONTAINED THE COMMERCIAL UNITS AND THE UPPER FLOOR HAD FOUR RESIDENTIAL UNITS. ON THE DAY OF THE FIRE THE UPPER FLOOR HAD THREE OCCUPIED UNITS 101, 102, 103, WITH THE OCCUPANTS OF THE FOURTH UNIT 104 AWAY. THE GROUND FLOOR WAS ADDRESSED WITH UNIT 1 A RESTAURANT, UNIT 2 WAS UNDER A TENANT IMPROVEMENT AND BEING DIVIDED INTO TWO UNITS UNIT2 AND UNIT2B, UNIT 4 WAS A COFFEE SHOP, AND UNIT 5 WAS AN OFFICE. PRIOR TO THE FIRE IN THE NEW UNIT 2B ELECTRICAL CHANGES WERE MADE BY RELOCATING THE ELECTRICAL SERVICE PANEL FOR THE UNIT. DURING THE RELOCATION OF THE PANEL A JUNCTION BOX WAS INSTALLED ON THE CEILING OF THE NEW BATHROOM IN UNIT 2B. THE STRUCTURAL FRAMING BETWEEN THE CEILING AND THE UPPER FLOOR CONSISTED OF FLOOR JOIST TRUSSES SPANNING THE WIDTH OF THE BUILDING. THE JOIST TRUSSES WERE THREE FEET HIGH CREATING A VOID SPACE EXTENDING THE LENGTH OF THE BUILDING. IT WAS ALSO NOTED THAT THE FIRE SEPARATIONS FROM THE COMMERCIAL SPACES DID NOT EXTEND TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SECOND FLOOR. THE AREA OF ORIGIN WAS THE JOIST TRUSSES ABOVE UNIT 2B ABOVE THE NEW JUNCTION BOX. AFTER THE INSTALLATION OF THE NEW FEEDER LINE FROM THE JUNCTION BOX TO THE SERVICE PANEL A SHORT CIRCUIT OCCURRED AT THE JUNCTION BOX. THE POWER CABLES IN THE BOX SHORTED AGAINST THE METAL SIDE OF THE BOX AND PRODUCED MOLTEN METAL (SPARKS). THESE SPARKS EVENTUALLY IGNITED THE WOOD FRAMING OF THE JOIST TRUSSES. EVENTUALLY THE FIRE BURNING IN THE FLOOR STRUCTURE BURNED VERTICALLY UP AND INTO UNIT 102 A RESIDENTIAL UNIT. SMOKE SPREAD HORIZONTALLY THROUGH THE VOID SPACE IN THE CEILING AREA AFFECTING ALL OF THE COMMERCIAL UNITS ON THE GROUND FLOOR AND TO UNITS ON THE UPPER FLOOR.

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Incident Report

File Number: 5477803
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: RANDY CORMIER
Type of Premises: Commercial

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2013/10/19
Incident Time: 08:30
Investigation Date: 2013/10/21

Incident Location: 1400 Wingrove Street
Area: NANAIMO-WELLINGTON/TOWNSITE N

Executive Summary:

Electrical renovations in a commercial strip mall by a non qualified person resulted in a fire.

Full Description of Incident:

A double tenant space in the stripmall at 1400 Wingrove St. Nanaimo was being subdivided into two separate businesses. The electrical subpanel feeding one of these bays was moved to an interior wall. The feeder for this electrical panel was too short so it had been extended with the use of split bolts, tape and a large junction box. The splice of one leg of the power was wedged tightly against the outside wall of the junction box. The tape on that splice appears to have worn through causing a dead short to the junction box and blowing a large hole in the side of the junction box. The employees of nearby Amrikko's smelled smoke and the owner of Amrikko's called the person doing the electrical portion of the renovation requesting he attend the site. The person doing the electrical work arrived and found a fuse blown in the switch feeding the unit. He pulled the shorted feed from the junction box, turned off the feeder switch and left the site.

The fire department was called at 0830 the next morning and found the site on fire.

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

Extensive damage to the bay under renovation. Severe smoke and water damage to two restaurants and living accommodations on the second floor.

Incident Severity: Level 2

Equipment Damage:

Property Damage: Extensive

People Involved:

Number of People Injured: 0

Number of People Deceased: 0

Cause Summary:

The incident was caused by poor electrical workmanship performed by an unqualified individual. The electrical subpanel feeding one of these bays was moved to an interior wall. The feeder for this electrical panel was too short so it had been extended with the use of split bolts, tape and a large junction box. The splice of one leg of the power was wedged tightly against the outside wall of the junction box. The tape on that splice appears to have worn through causing a dead short to the junction box and blowing a large hole in the side of said box.

1808 Granite Rd.

Nelson, BC

July 16, 2014

Incident no. CNE 2014 07 16 01 01

Igniting object: Electrical distribution equipment

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark (3000)

Act of omission: Cannot be determined

Fire reported early in the morning to be on outside of home near the power service area.

BCSA did not inspect the fire.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CNE 2014 07 16 01 01

Location of Incident: **1808 GRANITE RD
NELSON BC V1L6T8**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **1** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$10,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: Content Value: Total Value at Risk:

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 5000 ALARM ACTIVATED - OCCUPANT ACTION UNKNOWN
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7600 EXTERIOR WALL
EXTENT OF FIRE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5900 ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 3000 SPARK, STATIC ELECTRICAL
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 9000 BUILDING COMPONENT - WALL. (EXCLUDES EXTERIOR WALL CLASSIFIE
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
MAIDA, RICK 2118

Telephone ReportDate
250-352-3103 2014-07-16

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CNE 2014 07 16 01 01

Location of Incident: 1808 GRANITE RD
NELSON BC V1L6T8

of Occupants (At time of fire): 1 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$22

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$22 Content Value: \$22 Total Value at Risk: \$22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 5000 ALARM ACTIVATED - OCCUPANT ACTION UNKNOWN
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7600 EXTERIOR WALL
EXTENT OF FIRE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5900 ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 3000 SPARK, STATIC ELECTRICAL
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 9000 BUILDING COMPONENT - WALL. (EXCLUDES EXTERIOR WALL CLASSIFIE
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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MAIDA, RICK 2118

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)
INCIDENT NUMBER: CNE 2014 07 16 01 01

Remarks:

REPORTED AS AHOUSE BURNING ON THE OUTSIDE NEAR THE POWER SERVICE. UPON OUR ARRIVAL WE FOUND THE FIRE TO BE OUT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SOME SMOLDERING. THE POWERLINE BURNED OFF THE MAST AND WAS ON THE GROUND. ALSO THERE WAS EXTENSION UP THE SIDE OF THE HOUSE AND UNDER THE EVE AREA. APPLIED APPROX. FIFTY GALLONS OF WATER TO ENSURE EXTINGUISHMENT CHECKED THE HOUSE BOTH INSIDE AND OUT FOR EXTENSION. NONE FOUND. THERE WERE MULTIPLE BREAKERS THAT HAD TRIPPED. PHOTOS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. NELSON HYDRO ATTENDED THE SCENE TO DISCONNECT THE POWER AT THE POLE. THERE WAS A WORKING SMOKE ALARM IN THE HOUSE AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT.

Investigating Officer
MAIDA, RICK

L AFC Badge #
2118

Telephone
250-352-3103

ReportDate
2014-07-16

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NAMES)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CNE 2014 07 16 01 01

Name no. : 1
Name : s.22
Address : 1808 GRANITE RD
NELSON BRITISH COLUMBIA V1L6T8

Name Status : OWNER
Phone :

Claims Adjuster Name :
Claims Adjuster Firm :
Claim Number :
Insurance Company :
Policy Number :

LOSS ESTIMATES:

Property Loss : s.22

Content Loss : \$0

Total Loss : s.22

REMARKS:

I WAS SLEEPING AND WAS AWAKEN BY A LOUD NOISE. I THOUGHT IT WAS A BEAR BUT THE NOISES(AND POPPING GREW LOUDER AND THEN A BRIGHT LIGHT FLASHED.(LIKE FIREWORKS). I IMMEDIATELY LEFT THE HOUSE AND SAW THAT OUTSIDE PLANTS WERE ON FIRE. AT 1.58 AM I CALLED 911.

Investigating Officer : LAFC Badge #
MAIDA, RICK : 2118

Telephone : 250-352-3103
ReportDate : 2014-07-16

Dennis and Sharon Noble

From: Ruby Beryar <Ruby.Beryar@safetyauthority.ca> on behalf of FOI <FOI@safetyauthority.ca>
Sent: November 24, 2016 2:39 PM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble'
Subject: RE: FOI request

Hi Sharon,

Please be advised that we have no records related to this incident noted below in our possession.

Regards,
Ruby

Ruby Beryar | Legal and Privacy Assistant
BRITISH COLUMBIA SAFETY AUTHORITY
200 - 505 6th Street, New Westminster BC V3L 0E1
tel: 778.396.2157 | toll free: 1.866.566.7233
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From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 1:52 PM
To: FOI <FOI@safetyauthority.ca>
Subject: FOI request

Dear Sir or Madam,

Can you please tell me if the BCSA inspected this fire and if so, could I please have a report?

Date: July 16, 2014
Address: 1808 Granite Rd., Nelson V1L 6T8

Thank you very much.

Regards,
Sharon Noble

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

3371 Cazakoff Rd.

Blewett (Nelson) BC

Jan. 22, 2013

Incident no. NLW 2013 01 22 15 01

Fire department completed the report 16 months after the fire, not being written until after I requested it. It missed inclusion in the annual report.

Everything was marked "Cannot be determined".

Victim saw flames coming out of the outlet and the home was engulfed immediately.

BCSA was not asked to inspect the fire and they said they should have been informed.

The insurance company refused to share its inspection report with the policyholder/victim because it would jeopardize their position if they sued BC Hydro.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **NLW 2013 01 22 15 01**

Location of Incident: **3371 CAZAKOFF ROAD
BLEWETT BC V1L 6X2**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **1** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$0**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$0** Content Value: **\$0** Total Value at Risk: **\$0**

Code Name : **Code Description**

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 0009 OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
VERIGIN, PAUL N/A

Telephone ReportDate
250-354-1004 2014-05-15

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**

INCIDENT NUMBER: NLW 2013 01 22 15 01

Location of Incident: **3371 CAZAKOFF ROAD
BLEWETT BC V1L 6X2**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **1** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$0**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$0** Content Value: **\$0** Total Value at Risk: **\$0**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
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AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
VERIGIN, PAUL N/A

Telephone ReportDate
250-354-1004 2014-05-15

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: **NLW 2013 01 22 15 01**

Remarks:

FULLY INVOLVED STRUCTURE FIRE. NO FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED, TOTAL LOSS.

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VERIGIN, PAUL	N/A	250-354-1004	2014-05-15

From: Victim (name withheld)
Sent: July 14, 2014 3:57 PM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble'
Subject: RE: Auto-reply

Received a call from the Safety Authority today. "Lorne" from the office of the Safety Authority told me that no incident report is available. He said "they dropped the ball on this one" and that they were not informed about our house fire. They should have investigated this house fire for the electrical side of things but it did not happen. He did steer me in the direction of the fire commissioners local number.

He was curious as to why I wanted this information. I simply stated that I am wondering why our house burned down. I was wanting to read all the reports and obtain some kind of resolution/satisfaction from the information.

He could not help me. There is no BCSA report.

Victim (name withheld)

From: Victim, Name withheld
Sent: May-26-14 2:50 PM
To: 'info@safetyauthority.ca'
Subject: our house fire

To Whom it may concern:

Hoping you can help me find some information. Our home burned down in 2013.

Looking for the BCSA report on our house fire which happened January 22, 2013, at 3371 Cazakoff Rd. Nelson, B.C.

Would you please include the fire inspector/commissioners report as well?

I am hoping that I have finally contacted the office for which this information is being held.

Thank you for your time and trouble.

Sincerely,

Victim (name withheld)

From: Victim, ame withheld
Sent: May-23-14 10:10 AM
To: 'cranbrook@safetyauthority.ca'; 'kamloops@safetyauthority.ca'; 'kelowna@safetyauthority.ca'
Subject: our house fire

To Whom It May Concern,

Our home burned down January 22, 2013.

I am looking for the BCSA report on our house fire. Could you please include the fire inspectors commissioners report as well.

Address: 3371 Cazakoff Rd. Nelson, B.C. V1L 6X7

I am not sure which office I need to canvas for this information.

Would you please steer me in the right direction.

Thank you for your time and trouble.

Sincerely,

Victim (Name withheld,available upon request)

The victim pleaded with the fire commissioner and BCSA for information re. the cause of the fire. She was told to contact her insurer for his report. The insurer refused to give her a report. In several instances the insurer has refused to provide the fire report saying it would jeopardize their legal position in a possible lawsuit against BC Hydro, leaving the victim as the only loser.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

728 Princess St.

New Westminster, BC

Dec. 2, 2014

Incident No. CNW 2014 12 02 02 03

Fire dept completed the report 5 ½ months after the fire, the same day I requested the report. It could not have been included in the annual report.

Igniting object: Electrical distribution equipment

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or omission: Electrical short circuit

BCSA did not inspect the fire and had no report as of April 30, 2015

"Fire crews were called to a 15-storey building at 728 Princess St. about 2:30 a.m. on Dec. 2. Princess Tower was left without power after a fire occurred in a panel in the electrical room. - See more at: <http://www.newwestrecord.ca/news/new-west-firefighters-evacuate-127-residents-with-help-from-christmas-lights-1.1650668#sthash.JYFJGwRi.dpuf> "

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CNW 2014 12 02 02 03

Location of Incident: **728 PRINCESS ST
NEW WESTMINSTER BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **140** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$,22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$,22** Content Value: **\$0** Total Value at Risk: **\$,22**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3200 RESIDENTIAL - APARTMENT
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3250 APARTMENT, TOWNHOUSE - OVER 20 UNITS WITH OR W/O BUSINESS
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 5000 PROTECTED NON-COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - PROTECTED STEEL OR
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0150 15 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 3000 501 TO 1000M2 (5383 - 10764FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 2000 2000
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 6000 STANDPIPE SYSTEM ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 1000 COMPLETE SPRINKLER PROTECTION - SUPERVISED (ON-SITE OR OFF-S
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 3000 FIRE ALARM SYSTEM - OFF-SITE MONITORING AGENCY
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION : 2000 SMOKE DETECTOR DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 6100 WET PIPE SYSTEM - INCLUDES CENTRAL STATION SUPERVISED OR WAT
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 6000 4TH TO 12TH STOREY (INCLUSIVE) OR OVER 9M TO 36M (30FT TO 12
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 5900 SERVICE FACILITIES - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
EXTENT OF FIRE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5900 ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 9500 INSULATION, ELECTRIC - CONFINED TO ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT - IN
ACT OR OMISSION : 4400 ELECTRICAL SHORT CIRCUIT

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
WILSON, DAN 2652

Telephone ReportDate
604-519-1000 2015-04-28

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CNW 2014 12 02 02 03

Remarks:

Investigating Officer
WILSON, DAN

LAFC Badge #
2652

Telephone
604-519-1000

ReportDate
2015-04-28



April 30, 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble

**Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2015-100**

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 26, 2015.

According to your application, you requested **all records on the incident at 728 Princess Street, New Westminster, BC. on December 2, 2014**

Please be advised that we have no records related to your request in our possession.

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,

S Robertson for

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



British Columbia Safety Authority

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FRM-1275-02

4051 Cowichan Lake Rd.

No. Cowichan BC

Sept 27, 2013

Incident no. DNC 2013 09 27 06 01

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DNC 2013 09 27 06 01**

Location of Incident: **4051 COWICHAN LAKE ROAD
NORTH COWICHAN BC V9L 6J9**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **3** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$850,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$500,000** Content Value: **\$350,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$850,000**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0030 3 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	1974 1974
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	7000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	9500 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - UNKNOWN
INITIAL DETECTION :	7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT :	1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
EXTENT OF FIRE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer
CLARK, ROBERT

LAFC Badge #
999

Telephone ReportDate
250-746-3100 2013-10-02

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: DNC 2013 09 27 06 01

Location of Incident: 4051 COWICHAN LAKE ROAD
NORTH COWICHAN BC V9L 6J9

of Occupants (At time of fire): 3 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ s.22

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$ s.22 Content Value: \$ s.22 Total Value at Risk: \$ s.22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0030 3 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 1974 1974
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 9500 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - UNKNOWN
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
CLARK, ROBERT 999

Telephone ReportDate
250-746-3100 2013-10-02

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)INCIDENT NUMBER: **DNC 2013 09 27 06 01****Remarks:**

THE FIRE ORIGINATED IN THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF AN ATTACHED 16 X 30 FOOT GARAGE. THE GARAGE WAS USED FOR THE STORAGE OF **s.22** EQUIPMENT AND GENERAL HOUSEHOLD USE ITEMS. ON THE FLOOR OF THE GARAGE WAS APPROXIMATELY **s.22** THE CAUSE OF THE FIRE WAS NOT DETERMINED.

Investigating Officer
CLARK, ROBERT

LAFC Badge #
999

Telephone
250-746-3100

ReportDate
2013-10-02

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NAMES)INCIDENT NUMBER: **DNC 2013 09 27 06 01**

Name no. : 1
Name : **s.22**
Address : 4051 COWICHAN LAKE ROAD
DUNCAN BRITISH COLUMBIA V9L 6J9

Name Status : OWNER
Phone :

Claims Adjuster Name : 1. POWELL , BRUCE
Claims Adjuster Firm : 1. ASSOCIATED INDEPENDENT ADJUSTERS
Claim Number : 1 **s.22**
Insurance Company : 1. GORE MUTUAL
Policy Number : 1. **s.22**

LOSS ESTIMATES:

Property Loss : \$ **s.22**Content Loss : \$ **s.22**Total Loss : \$ **s.22**

REMARKS:

Name no. : 2
Name : **s.22**
Address : 4051 COWICHAN LAKE ROAD
DUNCAN BRITISH COLUMBIA V9L 6J9

Name Status : OCCUPANT
Phone :

Claims Adjuster Name :
Claims Adjuster Firm :
Claim Number :
Insurance Company :
Policy Number :

LOSS ESTIMATES:

Property Loss : \$0

Content Loss : \$0

Total Loss : \$0

REMARKS:

s.22 SON, ASLEEP AT THE TIME IN SECOND FLOOR BEDROOM.

Investigating Officer : LAFC Badge #
CLARK, ROBERT : 999

Telephone : ReportDate
250-746-3100 2013-10-02

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NAMES)INCIDENT NUMBER: **DNC 2013 09 27 06 01**

Name no. : 3
Name : **s.22**
Address : 4051 COWICHAN LAKE ROAD
DUNCAN BRITISH COLUMBIA V9L 6J9

Name Status : OCCUPANT
Phone :

Claims Adjuster Name :
Claims Adjuster Firm :
Claim Number :
Insurance Company :
Policy Number :

LOSS ESTIMATES:

Property Loss : \$0

Content Loss : \$0

Total Loss : \$0

REMARKS:

s.22 DAUGHTER, WAKENED BY SMOKE SMELL, MAIN FLOOR BEDROOM.

Investigating Officer : LAFC Badge #
CLARK, ROBERT : 999

Telephone : ReportDate
250-746-3100  2013-10-02

20-3101 Heron's Way

No. Cowichan, BC

Nov. 1, 2013

Incident no. 2013 11 01 02 01

Even though the fire department completed the report within 20 days and the OFC had it available the day I requested it, JAG did not have it available for 6 weeks.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or Omission: Cannot be determined

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DNC 2013 11 01 02 01**

Location of Incident: **20 - 3101 HERON'S WAY
NORTH COWICHAN BC V9L 6Z4**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **3** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$250,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: Content Value: Total Value at Risk:

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3100 RESIDENTIAL - ROW, GARDEN, TOWN HOUSING, CONDOMINIUM
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3230 APARTMENT, TOWNHOUSE - 5 TO 20 UNITS WITH BUSINESS
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 2011 2011
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 1000 SMOKE ALARM DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4500 65MM/77MM (2 1/2"/3") HOSE -2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7600 EXTERIOR WALL
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
CLARK, ROB 999

Telephone ReportDate
250-746-3100 2013-11-19

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: DNC 2013 11 01 02 01

Location of Incident: 20 - 3101 HERON'S WAY
NORTH COWICHAN BC V9L 6Z4

of Occupants (At time of fire): 3 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: s.21

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: s.21 Content Value: s.21 Total Value at Risk: s.21

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3100 RESIDENTIAL - ROW, GARDEN, TOWN HOUSING, CONDOMINIUM
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3230 APARTMENT, TOWNHOUSE - 5 TO 20 UNITS WITH BUSINESS
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 2011 2011
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 1000 SMOKE ALARM DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4500 65MM/77MM (2 1/2"/3") HOSE -2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7600 EXTERIOR WALL
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
CLARK, ROB 999

Telephone ReportDate
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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: DNC 2013 11 01 02 01

Remarks:

THE FIRE ORIGINATED AT UNIT 21 (CENTRE UNIT) AT THE REAR CORNER WHERE UNIT 22 JOINED ON THE OUTSIDE WALL AT THE CONCRETE PATIO. THE FIRE STARTED AT GROUND LEVEL IN THE CORNER AND QUICKLY SPREAD UP THE RAIN SCREENING (BETWEEN THE SIDING AND WALL SHEETING). ONCE THE FIRE MOVED TO SOFIT, BRANCHED INTO THE ROOF STRUCTURE OF THE UNIT 22 AND 21. NO IGINTION SOURCE WAS FOUND AT THE AREA OF ORIGIN.

Investigating Officer
CLARK, ROB

LAFC Badge #
999

Telephone
250-746-3100

ReportDate
2013-11-19

4547 Hoskins

No. Vancouver District, BC

June 4, 2014

Incident no. 2014 06 04 05 01

Even though the fire department completed the report, the OFC did not have it on its system until 2 ½ months after I requested it.

Neither did JAG have it on its system.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DNV 2014 06 04 05 01**

Location of Incident: **4547 HOSKINS RD
NORTH VANCOUVER DISTRICT BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **4** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ **s.22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **s.22** Content Value: **s.22** Total Value at Risk: \$ **s.22**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 3000 501 TO 1000M2 (5383 - 10764FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 1971 1971
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4500 65MM/77MM (2 1/2"/3") HOSE -2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7900 STRUCTURAL AREA - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
EXTENT OF FIRE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer
WEATHERSTONE,
HOWARD

LAFC Badge #
2402

Telephone
604-980-7575

ReportDate
2014-06-13

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**
(PRODUCT/EQUIPMENT)
INCIDENT NUMBER: **DNV 2014 06 04 05 01**

1370 Redwood St.

North Vancouver District, BC

Dec. 28, 2013

Incident no. DNV 2013 12 28 03 01

Fire dept did not complete the report until 10 months after the fire and 3 /12 months after my request for it. The OFC had to make several requests for the report.

JAG did not have the report until 6 weeks after the OFC had it. Under remarks nothing about the fire itself.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

From: "OFC OFC" <OFC@gov.bc.ca>
To: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
Sent: Monday, October 6, 2014 3:16:23 PM
Subject: Fire report request #8 & #9

Hello again,

I have attached a one page printout of the following Fire Incident Reports which outlines the circumstances surrounding the fire incident. This material provides you with a summary of the above noted incident and is in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*:

8.1 – CPG 2012 07 24 04 01 [1457 McCullagh Ave., Prince George, BC]

8.3 – CNA 2013 10 19 08 02 [1 - 1400 Wingrove St., Nanaimo, BC]

9.1 - DLC 2014 01 29 22 02 [17610 Rawsthorne Road, District of Lake Country, BC V8V 2K2]

- DLC 2014 01 29 22 03 [17610 Rawsthorne Road]

- DLC 2014 01 29 22 04 [17610 Rawsthorne Road]

The following outstanding requested reports are still not available on the Fire Reporting System at this time. I am following up with the fire departments to confirm attendance and investigation. Your requests are on file and we will issue out the reports to you as soon as they are submitted to our office:

4.5 [1370 Redwood St., North Vancouver, BC V7P 2V4]

6.4 [Tudor House Pub, 533 Admirals Rd., Victoria V9A 2N4]

6.5 [Sea to Sky Outreach, 39740 – 5th Ave., Squamish]

8.2 [830 Mathers, Vancouver, BC V7T 2G1]

8.4 [5464 - 203 Street, Langley, BC V3A 0A4]

Thank-you for your patience Ms. Noble. Have a great day!

Farrah Simpson

Fire Reporting Officer | Office of the Fire Commissioner

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: DNV 2013 12 28 03 01

Location of Incident: **1370 REDWOOD ST
NORTH VANCOUVER DISTRICT BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): 0 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **s.21**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: **s.21** Content Value: **s.21** Total Value at Risk: **s.21**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 1300 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION (NON-RESIDENTIAL)
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 1310 NURSERY SCHOOL, KINDERGARTEN, PRE-SCHOOL
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 3000 FIRE ALARM SYSTEM - OFF-SITE MONITORING AGENCY
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1300 SMALL ASSEMBLY AREA - 60 PEOPLE OR LESS - INCLUDES CLASSROOM
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
WILSON, BENJAMIN 2549

Telephone Report Date
604-980-7575 2014-10-28

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: DNV 2013 12 28 03 01

Remarks:

UPON REVIEW OF THIS INCIDENT BY CHIEF DE ROY AND LIEUTENANT SUTHERLAND, WE REVIEWED THE TIMESTAMPS AND DISPATCHERS NOTES. CHIEF DE ROY WAS AWARE DE1 RETURNED TO THE SCENE AS PER REQUEST FROM THE DC TO PICK UP EQUIPMENT AND RETURN TO THE HALL. THIS IS WHY WE ADDED AN EXTRA REPORT. WE ALSO ADDED THE DAY SHIFT CREW ATTENDING ON DE1. IN CONVERSATION WITH CAPT WILSON, WE NOTICED THE TIMESTAMPS FOR FPO1 WERE NOT ACCURATE. REFERRING TO THE DISPATCH NOTES, THE DISPATCHER DISPATCHED FPO1 ALMOST A FULL HOUR EARLIER. AN ESTIMATE WAS GIVEN FOR FPO1'S RESPONDING TIME. FPO1'S OTHER TIMESTAMPS APPEARED ACCURATE. DUE TO THE URGENCY OF A FOI REQUEST FROM ADMINISTRATION, CHIEF DE ROY AND LT. SUTHERLAND REVIEWED THE INCIDENT BEFORE LOCKING IT.

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
WILSON, BENJAMIN 2549

Telephone ReportDate
604-980-7575 2014-10-28

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DNV 2013 12 28 03 01**

Location of Incident: **1370 REDWOOD ST
NORTH VANCOUVER DISTRICT BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$561,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$555,000** Content Value: **\$6,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$561,000**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 1300 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION (NON-RESIDENTIAL)
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 1310 NURSERY SCHOOL, KINDERGARTEN, PRE-SCHOOL
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 3000 FIRE ALARM SYSTEM - OFF-SITE MONITORING AGENCY
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1300 SMALL ASSEMBLY AREA - 60 PEOPLE OR LESS - INCLUDES CLASSROOM
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
WILSON, BENJAMIN 2549

Telephone ReportDate
604-980-7575 2014-10-28

From: [Victoria Forman](#)
To: [Kim Wasson](#)
Subject: RE: 1370 Redwood (FOI 17-025)
Date: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 8:18:26 AM
Attachments: [CDNV DISTRICT HALL-#2986573-Fire Inspection Report - Redwood Street 1370....drf](#)
[CDNV DISTRICT HALL-#2986575-Fire Inspection Report - Redwood Street 1370....drf](#)
[CDNV DISTRICT HALL-#2986574-Fire Inspection Report - Redwood Street 1370....drf](#)
[CDNV DISTRICT HALL-#2958623-Fire Inspection Report - Redwood Street 1370....drf](#)

Hi Kim,

Yes there were a few inspections since the date of the fire:

April 28, 2015 – no report available
July 28, 2016 – Trip Test - 2958623
Aug 30, 2016 – Occupancy & Trip Test – 2986575
Sep 1, 2016 – Fire Safety Plan – 2986573
Sep 2, 2016 - Regular Inspection, Business Licence, Trip Test Re-Inspection, Occupancy Re-inspection, FSP Re-Inspection – 2986574

Thank you,

Victoria Forman
Clerk Typist 3
District of North Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services
604-990-3660
fireadm@dnv.org

From: Kim Wasson
Sent: March-06-17 4:08 PM
To: Victoria Forman
Subject: 1370 Redwood (FOI 17-025)

Hi Victoria,

Could you check to see if you have any fire inspection record for 1370 Redwood? Fire occurred on Dec 28/13 at the child care center. The original request just asked for an electrical inspection report after the fire occurred, not any incident reports. I saw an email where Zdenka asked for fire inspection to be scheduled, but I don't know for sure if it occurred.

I just want to make sure I'm not missing anything on this one☺

Thanks,

Kim

Kim Wasson
Records Management Clerk

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting of fires

17610 Rawsthorne Rd.

District of Lake Country (Oyama)

Jan. 29, 2014

Incident report: DOC 2014 01 29 22 02

Incident report completed one month after fire and not on the OFC system until Oct. 6, 2014, 2 weeks after my request.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DLC 2014 01 29 22 02**

Location of Incident:

**17610 RAWSTHORNE ROAD
DISTRICT OF LAKE COUNTRY BC V4V 2K2**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **2** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$378,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$0** Content Value: **\$0** Total Value at Risk: **\$0**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3800 RESIDENTIAL - MOBILE HOME/TRAILER PARK
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3185 MANUFACTURED ("MOBILE HOME")
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 1000 1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 2001 2001
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 5000 PRIVATE HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
EXTENT OF FIRE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 7110 SMOKER'S MATERIAL - CIGARETTE
FUEL OR ENERGY : 5000 SMOKER'S MATERIAL - INCLUDES CIGARETTE, CIGAR, PIPE, MATCH O
FORM OF HEAT : 8000 HEAT FROM SMOKER'S MATERIAL - (EXCLUDES MATCH, LIGHTER, CLAS
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 2100 SMOKERS' MATERIAL (INCLUDES CARELESSLY DISCARDED SMOKING MAT

Investigating Officer
DEGELDER, ERIC

LAFC Badge #

Telephone
250-766-2327

ReportDate
2014-02-25

Summary of errors/omissions in reporting of this fire:

8703 92 Ave.

Osoyoos, BC

Jan. 17, 2014

Incident No. VOS 2014 01 17 08 01

Fire department completed the report 7 days after the fire, but the report was not available from the OFC when requested on April 27, 2014

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE / PENDING**INCIDENT NUMBER: **VOS 2014 01 17 08 01**

Location of Incident: **8703 92 AVENUE
OSOYOOS BC V0H1V2**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **2** # of Injured: **1** # of Deaths: **1** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$185,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$176,000** Content Value: **\$140,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$316,000**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	3500 RESIDENTIAL - DUPLEX, 3-PLEX, 4-PLEX
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	3140 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 2-FAMILY (DUPLEX)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	1000 1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	1980 1980
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	9900 NO SMOKE ALARM INSTALLED
INITIAL DETECTION :	7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT :	8000 INSURANCE ONLY - ALARM FIRE (FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED)
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	1400 LOUNGE, LIVING ROOM - INCLUDES MUSIC ROOM, COMMON ROOM, TV R
EXTENT OF FIRE :	6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	7170 SMOKER'S MATERIAL - CANNOT BE DETERMINED
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Investigating Officer
JONES, RICK

LAFC Badge #

Telephone

ReportDate
2014-01-24

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

3273 9th Ave.

Port Alberni, BC

May 15, 2012

No incident report

BCSA report no. 5214073

After several requests by the OFC, no fire report was submitted by the fire dept.

The BCSA was called by the Port Alberni fire dept. and found that the smart meter caught fire due to improper procedures at the time of installation by Corix employee who said he had received 8 hours of training.

Fire occurred in the wood frame wall at the back of the electrical panel, causing extensive damage to cabling and areas around and behind the panel.

From: Simpson, Farrah JAG:EX [mailto:Farrah.Simpson@gov.bc.ca]

Sent: June 3, 2015 10:47 AM

To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble' <dsnoble@shaw.ca>

Subject: RE: (5) Outstanding FC reports

Hello Sharon,

This is what I have on file with a few of the outstanding ones attached after following-up:

8.2 – 830 Mathers, Vancouver – No report in System

8.4 – 5464 203rd Street, Langley – No report in System

10.3- 434 Mabel Lake Rd, Enderby – No report in System

11.1 – 993 Fircrest Road, Gibson – NGN 2012 10 26 20 01 (attached)

12.2 – 8505 Clerke Rd, Coldstream – DCO 2014 05 30 09 01 (attached)

14.2 – 300 Blk Albers Rd, Lumby – No report in system

17.1 – 3273 9th Ave, Port Alberni – No report in System

17.2 – 1047 Trans Canada Hwy, Cache Creek – VCA 2014 07 28 17 01 (attached)

18.1 – 728 Princess St, New Westminster – CNW 2014 12 02 02 03 (attached)

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank-you,



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Incident Report

File Number: 5214973
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: PAIGE HILL
Type of Premises: Single Family Residential

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2012/05/15
Incident Time: 15:00
Investigation Date: 2012/05/16

Incident Location: 3273 9 Avenue
Area: PORT ALBERNI

Executive Summary:

- Fire in a single family dwelling
- Fire originated in the wood frame wall at the back of the electrical panel in the basement.
- Extensive damage to the electrical cabling and areas directly behind and above the electrical panel.
- Cause of Fire – Shorted line-side terminal to backside of meter base.

Full Description of Incident:

This Electrical Safety Officer (ESO) was called directly by the Alberni Fire Department at 5:30pm, May 15 2012, the day of the incident. This ESO received a phone call from the Regional Business Leader at 9:55am, May 16 2012, stating that BC Hydro had formally reported this incident using our official call-in line. This ESO arranged a site meeting with the Home Owner and arrived on site at 1:30pm, May 16, 2012. The service was disconnected at the street pole. The meter base was open and did not contain a meter. One half of the right-hand side female tabs of the meter base that grip the male stabs of the meter – both line and load, top and bottom, were broken off. Evidence of corrosion on the service conductors and meter base terminals was present. Evidence of an attempt to tighten the terminals in the meter base was present. Evidence that contact with the back of the meter base and the "Live" right-hand side line terminal of the meter base was present. Fire damage to the areas behind and above the electrical panel was extensive. Evidence of severe electrical arcing involving the 1-1/4" Locknuts, the 1-1/4" service conduit nipple, where it entered the electrical panel, was present. The electrical panel cover was removed and the panel was pulled slightly forward disconnecting itself from the 1-1/4" service conduit nipple. The inside of the electrical panel was covered in dry chemical fire extinguishing agent.

Summary of a telephone interview with the Corix Manager VI and the Corix Health and Safety Manager.

A Corix technician was dispatched to replace the meter at this address. According to Corix, the technicians receive an 8 Hour training course of the removal and replacement of the Hydro meters, sanctioned by BC Hydro and Work Safe BC. If the technician encounters an issue during the replacement of the Smart Meter that is outside of the normal scope of work of the technician, the technician is to call his Supervisor to attend the sight and assess the issue (by their policy). The Supervisor is a journeyman electrician. The Supervisor accesses the issue and determines whether to repair the issue at that time or call a licensed electrical contractor to repair the issue. The supervisor elected to repair the meter base himself. Three calls were made to BC Hydro requesting a line-crew be dispatched to the site to disconnect the service at the street pole. The line-crew did not arrive and the supervisor elected to attempt the meter repairs "live". The supervisor's screw driver slipped off of the right-hand side, line side terminal screw, grounding the line-side terminal to the back of the meter base. Shortly thereafter the supervisor noticed a fire had started inside the house and called the Port Alberni Fire Department. The Fire Department called BC Hydro and the line crew arrived and disconnected the service at the street pole.

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

No Injuries; no fatalities
Loss of electrical panel, breakers and branch circuit cabling.
Some structural damage to wood frame walls and floor joists.
Smoke damage.

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

People Involved:

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

Cause Summary:



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The decision to complete the repairs to the meter base under "live" conditions resulted in the following sequence of events. While tightening the "live" line-side terminal in the meter base, the screw drive slipped off of the terminal screw and made contact with the back of the meter base, and at the same time produced a line to ground electrical fault. The resulting fault current travelled into the electrical panel through the 1-1/4" conduit nipple and locknuts seeking a path back to the source through the grounded conductor (Neutral). The resulting fault current caused the locknuts to arc heavily on the panel enclosure causing molten metal to spray onto the surrounding combustible materials of the wood frame wall, igniting them at the backside of the panel.



ARCS: 292-30
File: JAG-2015-00070

March 13, 2015

Sent via email: dsnoble@shaw.ca

Dear Sharon Noble:

Re: Request for Access to Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Justice. Your request is for:

All records, including insurance reports, on the following [fire] incidents that occurred in BC: Date May 15 2012 Address 3273 9th Avenue Port Alberni BC; Date July 28 2014 Address 1047 S. TransCanada Highway Cache Creek BC Owner Royal Bank.

Although a thorough search was conducted, no records were located in response to your request.

You may wish to contact the responding fire department directly, as they may have records responsive to your request.

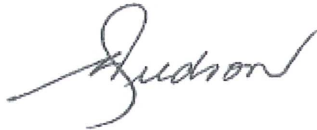
Your file is now closed.

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Sandra Fisher, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250-356-6074. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604-660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1-800-663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250-356-6074.

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You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision.
I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hudson", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Vicki Hudson, Manager
Justice / Social Team
Information Access Operations

Enclosure

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

4683 Margaret St.

Port Alberni, BC

July 31, 2013

Incident no. CPA 2013 07 31 16 02

Fire dept. did not complete the report until 8 12/ months after the fire. It was not included in the OFC annual report. It was not completed until a week after my request was made.

It took an additional month for the OFC to have the report.

JAG did not have the report until 12 months after the fire.

Igniting object: Electrical distribution equipment

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or omission: Mechanical/electrical failure/malfunction

No comments on the OFC report

JAG reported a fire was caused by a smart meter exchange performed by a Corix worker. Arcing occurred that damaged the base and wiring.

BCSA was called but could not inspect the meter which had been removed by BC Hydro.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CPA 2013 07 31 16 02

Location of Incident: **4683 MARGARET STREET
PORT ALBERNI BC V9Y6H1**

of Occupants (At time of fire): 0 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$0

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$0 Content Value: \$0 Total Value at Risk: \$0

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 5600 COMMERCIAL CENTRE INCLUDING FUEL DISPENSING (MAY INCLUDE RES
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 5930 BUILDER'S SUPPLY SALES
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0051 1951 TO 1960
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 9900 NO SMOKE ALARM INSTALLED
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
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FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 6000 SHUT OFF GAS, OIL, ELECTRICITY
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 9500 REMOVAL/SHUT OFF FUEL
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7600 EXTERIOR WALL
EXTENT OF FIRE : 1000 CONFINED TO OBJECT OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5900 ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
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THOEN, RANDY	1957	250-720-2542	2014-04-14

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: **CPA 2013 07 31 16 02**

Remarks:

PORT ALBERNI FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO A REPORT OF HYDRO TRANSFORMER FAILURE IN THE AREA OF 4683 MARGARET STREET ON JULY 31, 2013. UPON ARRIVAL, FIRE CREWS FOUND THAT THE ISSUE WAS CAUSED BY A HYDRO METER CHANGE OUT BEING COMPLETED BY A CORIX CONTRACTOR. WHILE REMOVING THE OLD METER, A FAILURE OCCURRED THAT CAUSED AN ARC FAULT WHICH ENERGIZED THE METER BASE AND MAST. IN ADDITION TO THE CONDUCTORS INSIDE THE MAST, THE PHONE AND CABLE LINES APPEARED TO HEAT UP AND SMOKE. BC HYDRO ATTENDED THE SCENE TO REMOVE SERVICE TO THE BUILDING AND MAKE THE SCENE SAFE, FIRE CREWS INVESTIGATED THE INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR OF THE BUILDING TO CHECK FOR FIRE EXTENSION AND FOUND NONE. REPAIRS TO THE ELECTRICAL SERVICE ARE REQUIRED TO BE COMPLETED BY A QUALIFIED 3RD PARTY PRIOR TO RE-ENERGIZING THE BUILDING.

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Incident Report

File Number: 5195105
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: DAN KELLY
Type of Premises: Commercial

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2012/07/31
Incident Time: 16:30
Investigation Date: 2012/08/01

Incident Location: 4683 Margaret Street (windows and doors)
Area: PORT ALBERNI

Executive Summary:

Electrical equipment and communication conductors became energized and subsequently damaged at the Beaver Creek Home Center when the BC Hydro meter was being pulled for replacement. There were no injuries. BCSCA was notified by the Port Alberni Fire Department.

Full Description of Incident:

A Corix employee was pulling a BC hydro meter to install a smart meter when the meter enclosure became energized. The Corix employee called 911 at approximately 1600hrs on 2012/07/30. The local fire department responded and called BC Hydro to disconnect the supply lines. BC Hydro responded and contacted an electrical contractor to make repairs. This Electrical Safety Officer (Dan Kelly) did not perform a site assessment as the repair was already completed by the time BCSCA was notified (2012/07/31- 0900hrs). On 2012/07/31 at 0930hrs Dan Kelly was notified by his Regional Business Leader and immediately phoned and spoke to the Port Alberni Fire Department Captain, electrical contractor who performed repairs, and store manager. Dan Kelly was told by the Fire Captain that there was not a fire, the electrical contractor provided photos, a description of damage and obtained a permit for the repair.

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

Equipment Damaged:
-200Amp 120/208 volt 3 phase 7 jaw meter.
-BC Hydro's supply conductors
-communication conductors

Incident Severity: Level 3

Equipment Damage: Minor

Property Damage:

People Involved:

Number of People Injured: 0

Number of People Deceased: 0

Cause Summary:

The photo of the meter shows the center conductor, lug, and meter jaw had pulled away from the insulator. The photo of the inside meter cover shows arcing where the cable made contact. The incident happened as the meter was being pulled.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

6110 Russell Pl.

Port Alberni, BC

July 18, 2015

Incident no. CPA 2015 07 18 14 03

Fire origin: Exterior Wall at panel.

Igniting object: Panel board, switchboard

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or Omission: Mechanical/electrical failure/malfunction

No comments on OFC report

Comments on JAG report state "electrical failure of the electrical meter" was the cause of the fire.

BCSA did not inspect the fire.

BC Hydro refused to provide any lab report or information on the failure of their equipment, stating that they cannot disclose personal information. No personal information was requested.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CPA 2015 07 18 14 03**

Location of Incident:

**6110 RUSSELL PL
PORT ALBERNI BC**

# of Occupants (At time of fire): 0	# of Injured: 0	# of Deaths: 0	Total Dollar Loss Estimate: S.22
Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO	Property Value: S.22	Content Value: S	Total Value at Risk: S.22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 1978 1978
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
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INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
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EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5400 PANEL BOARD, SWITCHBOARD - INCLUDES FUSE, CIRCUIT BREAKER
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CPA 2015 07 18 14 03

Location of Incident:

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CPA 2015 07 18 14 03

Remarks:

PORT ALBERNI FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO A REPORT OF A STRUCTURE FIRE OCCURRING AT 6110 RUSSELL PLACE ON JULY 18, 2015 AT 14:42 HOURS. UPON ARRIVAL, FIRE CREWS FOUND THAT THE FIRE HAD EXPOSED 6120 RUSSELL PLACE TO RADIANT HEAT ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE STRUCTURE OF ORIGIN. STRUCTURE AT 6120 RUSSELL PLACE WAS PROTECTED WITH EXPOSURE LINES, INTERIOR WAS CHECKED FOR FIRE EXTENSION WITH NONE FOUND, EXTERIOR CLADDING AND ELECTRICAL SERVICE WERE AFFECTED. HYDRO AND GAS SERVICES WERE DISCONNECTED TO BOTH STRUCTURES. THE FIRE WAS EXTINGUISHED USING A COMBINATION OF LARGE DIAMETER HOSE AND HANDLINES, FIRE WAS INVESTIGATED AND CAUSE FOUND TO BE AN ELECTRICAL FAILURE OF THE ELECTRICAL METER.

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250-724-1351	2015-07-21

From: Sarb Dhut [mailto:Sarb.Dhut@safetyauthority.ca] **On Behalf Of** FOI
Sent: October 7, 2015 9:26 AM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble' <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
Subject: RE: Availability of report

Hi Sharon,

Please be advised that we have no records/reports related to this electrical fire in our possession.

Thanks

Sarb Dhut | Analyst, Records Information and Privacy
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From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 2:40 PM
To: FOI <FOI@safetyauthority.ca>
Subject: Availability of report

Dear Sir or Madam,

Could you please tell me if BCSA has a report on this electrical fire?

Date: July 18, 2015
Address: 6110 Russell Place, Port Alberni
Owner: F.W. Stuet

Thank you.

Sharon Noble

From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca]

Sent: December 2, 2015 1:48 PM

To: FOI Officer Scott MacDonald (scott.macdonald@bchydro.com) <scott.macdonald@bchydro.com>

Cc: 'John.Horgan.MLA@leg.bc.ca' <John.Horgan.MLA@leg.bc.ca>; 'adrian.dix.mla@leg.bc.ca' <adrian.dix.mla@leg.bc.ca>; 'don.mcrae.mla@leg.bc.ca' <don.mcrae.mla@leg.bc.ca>

Subject: FOI Smart meter fire in Port Alberni

Dear Mr. MacDonald,

Please find attached a report on a fire that occurred in Port Alberni, July 18, 2015. As you can see, it is attributed to a failure of the mechanical/electrical equipment, specifically the meter.

The BC Safety Authority was not advised of this fire so it was not called in to investigate it. I am requesting the reports BC Hydro has on this fire, and specifically any regarding any investigation that was done on the meter itself after the fire to determine the fault.

Please note that I am not asking for any personal information about the homeowners, but rather I am asking only for information about BC Hydro's equipment that caused this fire.

I look forward to receiving this information at your earliest convenience.

Regards,
Sharon Noble

Request Number: 201.20.2016-087

10 December 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC
V9C 3V5

Dear Ms. Noble:

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ('the Act')
— Request for records

I am writing in response to the above-noted request for records under the Act.

Section 22 of the Act, prohibits BC Hydro from disclosing the personal information of an individual to a third party if the disclosure of that information would be an unreasonable invasion of the individual's personal privacy. In view of section 22, we are not permitted to provide you with information related to an account that was not in your name and, accordingly, we have withheld a one-page record related to the address of interest to you.

If you have any questions regarding our response to your request for records, please call me. You may also ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC ('the OIPC') to review our response to your request by writing to the following address within 30 days of receipt of this letter:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria, B.C.
V8V 3K3

If you request a review, please provide the OIPC with a copy of this letter and a copy of your request.

Yours truly,



Scott Macdonald

Attachment

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, 333 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, BC, V6B 5R3
www.bchydro.com

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

2609 Third Ave.

Port Alberni, BC

Sept. 14, 2015

Incident no. CPA 2015 09 14 05 01

Igniting object: Permanent electric wiring

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing.

Act or omission: Electrical short circuit.

BC Safety Authority did not investigate and has no report.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CPA 2015 09 14 05 01**

Location of Incident: **2609 003 AVE
PORT ALBERNI BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **5** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$0**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$166,000** Content Value: **\$0** Total Value at Risk: **\$166,000**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	3500 RESIDENTIAL - DUPLEX, 3-PLEX, 4-PLEX
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	3140 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 2-FAMILY (DUPLEX)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	0021 1921 TO 1945
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	9900 NO SMOKE ALARM INSTALLED
INITIAL DETECTION :	7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT :	1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	1000 BASEMENT, SUB-BASEMENT
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	3200 LAUNDRY AREA - INCLUDES WASH HOUSE
EXTENT OF FIRE :	4000 CONFINED TO FLOOR LEVEL OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	5100 PERMANENT ELECTRIC WIRING, CABLE (NON-ALUMINUM) - INCLUDES P
FUEL OR ENERGY :	6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT :	2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	9000 BUILDING COMPONENT - WALL. (EXCLUDES EXTERIOR WALL CLASSIFIE
ACT OR OMISSION :	4400 ELECTRICAL SHORT CIRCUIT

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THOEN, RANDOLPH L. 1957

Telephone ReportDate
250-724-1351 2015-09-15

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "FOI" <FOI@safetyauthority.ca>
Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2016 5:08:26 PM
Subject: FOI request

Dear Sir or Madam,

Would you please tell me if BCSA investigated this electrical fire, and, if so, if a report was filed?

Date: Sept 1, 2015 [s/b Sept. 14, 2015]

Address: 2609 Third Ave., Port Alberni, BC

Thank you very much.

Regards,

Sharon Noble

From: Sarb Dhut [<mailto:Sarb.Dhut@safetyauthority.ca>] **On Behalf Of** FOI
Sent: April 19, 2016 10:27 AM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble' <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
Subject: FOI request

Hi Sharon,

Please be advised that we have no records related to the incident noted below in our possession.

Thanks

Sarb Dhut | Analyst, Records Information and Privacy

BRITISH COLUMBIA SAFETY AUTHORITY

200 - 505 6th Street, New Westminster BC V3L 0E1

tel: 778.396.2160 | toll free: 1.866.566.7233

7185 Market St.

Port Hardy, BC

July 10, 2012

No incident report

Smart meter fire at Supreme Convenience Store, wires burned, power out in several businesses.

This was the second smart meter failure in the year since the first meter was installed.

BC Hydro replaced the meter without contacting BCSA. There was no lab report for the failed meter.

J.R. Rardon - North Island Gazette - July 12, 2012:

- <http://issuu.com/blackpress/docs/i20120716130733276>

"She then contacted building owner Paul Tupper, who arrived and opened the utility room housing the electric meters and panels.

They discovered the glass (sic – really plastic) cover of one of the meters blackened, and a burned smell lingering in the air. The smell could also be detected in the video store, at the wall backing onto the electrical room.

Coincidentally, Kozac said, during the outage some B.C. Hydro employees entered another Supreme Convenience outlet in the Comox Valley where owner Jim Cameron was working, and he described the issue to them.

They contacted the local B.C. Hydro contractor, who was en route on the ferry from Alert Bay at the time and made his way to Port Hardy. At about 10:30 a.m. he arrived at the store to find wiring leading to the box had been damaged by fire.

A local electrician with K&K Electric was called in and the two worked to replace the meter and restore the power.

The Smart Meters were installed approximately one year ago [2011], Kozac said. At the time of their installation, one failed immediately, but was replaced and there was no further problem until this week.

On Monday, she said, power to part of the store went out for about 10 minutes, but came on by itself before employees were able to speak to anyone at B.C. Hydro. Staff did not give that outage another thought until Tuesday morning's problem.

Kozac, who said she has been working at Supreme Convenience "off and on" for six years, said the business never suffered a meter-related power failure with the older analog meters."

Smart meter fails store..

by J.R. Rardon - North Island Gazette - July 12, 2012:

- <http://issuu.com/blackpress/docs/i20120716130733276>

(p.1 & 4)

PORT HARDY—A Smart meter installed at Supreme Convenience burned early Tuesday morning, knocking out power to much of the business for several hours before a BC Hydro employee and a local electrician were able to restore it later in the day.

Wiring burned in Smart Meter fire at store

from page 1

The meter was one of four Smart Meters, serving nearby businesses, installed in a utility room adjacent to the store's video rental facility.

After the power went out at around 7:30 a.m., store manager Tracy Kozak first checked all the breakers, then called B.C. Hydro.

"I got through to their switchboard and the lady told me she wasn't showing anything at their end, and it must be something wrong here," Kozak said.

She then contacted building owner Paul Tupper, who arrived and opened the utility room housing the electric meters and panels.

They discovered the glass cover of one of the meters blackened, and a burned smell lingering in the air. The smell could also be detected in the video store, at the wall backing onto the electrical room.

Power remained out in a back room of the market, several overhead light panels, and the store's open signs.

But power to the cash registers was out, along with several ice cream machines, and the store was forced to do cash-only business, with transactions recorded by pencil and paper.

"We've definitely lost business," Kozak said. "Not to mention if we lose any product."

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Kozac, who said she has been working at Supreme Convenience "off and on" for six years, said the business never suffered a meter-related power failure with the older analog meters.

B.C. Hydro's spokesperson could not be reached for comment Tuesday.





November 4, 2014

Ms. Sharon Noble

**Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2014-186**

The BC Safety Authority received your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) on October 6, 2014.

According to your application, you requested **any information on an electrical event that occurred on July 10, 2012 at Supreme Convenience Store at 7185 Market, Port Hardy BC.**

Please be advised that we have no records related to your request in our possession.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarb Dhut".

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



British Columbia Safety Authority

200 - 505 Sixth Street New Westminster BC V3L 0E1 T 778.396.2000 1.866.566.7233 F 778.396.2064 www.safetyauthority.ca
FRM-1275-02



FOR GENERATIONS

Scott Macdonald
Manager, Freedom of Information and Privacy
16th Floor
Phone: (604) 623-3880
Fax: (604) 623-4556

Request Number: 201.20.2015-115 (Smart Meter failure)

03 February 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC
V9C 3V5

Dear Ms. Noble:

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ('the Act')
— Request for records

I am writing in response to the above-noted request for records under the Act.

The responsive record is attached. Please note that BC Hydro has searched its files and has found no laboratory records of the meter being tested/investigated after the fire. Please note that the Crew comment field in the attached document includes a statement of probable cause not supported by the known facts in this case.

If you have any questions regarding our response to your request for records, please call me. You may also ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC ('the OIPC') to review our response to your request by writing to the following address within 30 days of receipt of this letter:

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V8V 3K3

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Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Scott Macdonald".

Scott Macdonald

Attachment

Trouble Order #:		Distribution Trouble and Outage Report		Key Call #:	
865208-1				1701537	
Key Call	Loc Given: 7185 MARKET ST PORT HARDY V0N2P0		# Persons Initial:		# Persons Total:
			1		1
	Reasons: Part Out, Safety Hazard		Priority:		GWO:
			2		
	Start Time:		Analyze:	Dispatch:	ETR:
	2012/07/10 08:36		2012/07/10 08:57	2012/07/10 08:57	
	Enroute:		On Site:	Dispatch Comments:	
	2012/07/10 13:09		2012/07/10 13:09		
Region:		Area:	District:	Municipality:	
VI		NVI	PHY	Port Hardy	
System					
Resp:					
Hydro					
Crew Comments: (Please provide additional information and/or recommendation, as appropriate, to prevent re-occurrence of similar outage)					
BURNT UP HOTLUG IN MTR BASE PROBABLY DUE TO FAULTY CORIX INSTALLATION					
Cause	Outage Type:		Weather:		Cause:
	Forced Outage		NORMAL/DRY		Incorrect Installation
Trouble Point	Trouble Loc: same		Fuse Old:		Fuse New:
	Constr: UNKNOWN		TP Type:		TP Voltage:
Outage Point	OP Type:		Pole/Kiosk ID:		# Phases:
	Customer Connection		6515234		
Restor. Steps	OP Location: HSE - 7185 MARKET ST		OP Comments:		
	(1) Off:	On:	# Customers:		Coordination: Correct
	(2) Off:	On:	# Customers:		Repairs:
Damage	(3) Off:		On:		Refer to
Damage	Damaged Component(s):				
	Times Damaged: (1) KVA:		Mfr:		Serial #:
			Mfr:		Serial #:

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

7695 Eagle Crescent

Port Hardy, BC

Feb. 11, 2013

Incident no. DPH 2013 02 11 06 01

Fire dept. completed the report, but when I requested the report 1 ½ years later it was not on the OFC system. The report was not available until 6 weeks after I requested it.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined

BCSA did not investigate.

An RCMP officer at the scene said that BC Hydro removed and took the smart meter away.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DPH 2013 02 11 06 01**

Location of Incident: **7695 EAGLE CRESENT E
 PORT HARDY BC V0N2P0**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **5** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$350,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$265,000** Content Value: **\$100,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$365,000**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
 PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
 GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
 BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
 GROUND FLOOR AREA : 1000 1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
 YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
 MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
 OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
 SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
 AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
 SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
 INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
 TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
 FIRE SERVICE : 2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
 INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
 ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
 METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
 FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 1000 BASEMENT, SUB-BASEMENT
 FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7600 EXTERIOR WALL
 EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
 EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
 IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
 FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
 FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
 MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
 ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: DPH 2013 02 11 06 01

Location of Incident: 7695 EAGLE CRESENT E
PORT HARDY BC V0N2P0

of Occupants (At time of fire): 5 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ s.22

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: s.22 Content Value: \$ s.22 Total Value at Risk: s.22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 1000 1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 1000 BASEMENT, SUB-BASEMENT
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7600 EXTERIOR WALL
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: **DPH 2013 02 11 06 01**

Remarks:

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March 5, 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble

Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2015-25

The BC Safety Authority received your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) on February 11, 2015.

According to your application, **you requested all reports, including those from any electrician, on the fire and associated incidents at 7695 Eagle Crescent, Port Hardy on February 11, 2013 and environs, and laboratory report on the meter at the home prior to the incident.**

Please be advised that we have no records related to your request in our possession.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sarb Dhut".

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



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FRM-1275-02

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

7705 Eagle Crescent

Port Hardy, BC

Feb. 11, 2013

Incident no. DPH 2013 02 11 06 02

Fire dept. completed the report, but when I requested the report 1 ½ years later it was not on the OFC system. The report was not available until 6 weeks after I requested it.

Igniting object: Electrical distribution equipment

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Cannot be determined.

Act or omission: Cannot be determined.

BCSA did not inspect.

RCMP officer reported that he saw the fire begin at the smart meter and that BC Hydro removed and took away the smart meter before an inspector arrived.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DPH 2013 02 11 06 02**

Location of Incident: **7705 EAGLE CRESCENT E
PORT HARDY BC V0N2P0**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **2** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$75,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$230,000** Content Value: **\$85,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$315,000**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400	RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110	YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000	PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020	2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 1000	1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000	CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000	EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000	PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000	NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000	NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 9500	ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - UNKNOWN
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000	VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000	911
FIRE SERVICE : 2000	VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000	FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 1000	EXTINGUISHED BY OTHER THAN FIRE DEPARTMENT (I.E.. OCCUPANT/W
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 1700	DRY CHEMICAL
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 0000	CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1000	2 TO 3 AREAS OF ORIGIN (DESCRIBE LOCATIONS)
EXTENT OF FIRE : 1000	CONFINED TO OBJECT OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000	CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5900	ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000	ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 0000	CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000	CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000	CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: **DPH 2013 02 11 06 02**

Location of Incident: **7705 EAGLE CRESCENT E
PORT HARDY BC V0N2P0**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **2** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ **s.22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **s.22** Content Value: \$ **s.22** Total Value at Risk: \$ **s.22**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 1000 1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 9500 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - UNKNOWN
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 1000 EXTINGUISHED BY OTHER THAN FIRE DEPARTMENT (I.E.. OCCUPANT/W
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 1700 DRY CHEMICAL
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1000 2 TO 3 AREAS OF ORIGIN (DESCRIBE LOCATIONS)
EXTENT OF FIRE : 1000 CONFINED TO OBJECT OF ORIGIN
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FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
NICKERSON, SCHELL 2320

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: **DPH 2013 02 11 06 02**

Remarks:

Investigating Officer	LAFC Badge #
NICKERSON, SCHELL	2320

Telephone	ReportDate
250-230-0705 	2013-02-11



December 22, 2014

Ms. Sharon Noble

Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2014-202

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

According to your application, you requested **the complete records on the following incidents:**

Rocky Mountain Elementary School
2500 A Balmer Drive
Elkford, BC V0B 1H4
Date: June 2, 2014

1108 Duchman Dr.
Revelstoke, BC
Owner: G. Fekishazy
Date: May 25, 2014

7705 Eagle Cres.
Port Hardy, BC
Owner: Gordon Walsh
Date: Feb. 11, 2013

Please be advised that we have no records related to your request in our possession.

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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:

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- 3) A copy of your original request for information sent to the BC Safety Authority.



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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,

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

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting of fires

1108 Gillies Rd. Bay

Powell River, BC

May 25, 2016

Incident report requested Sept 21, 2016. No report filed as of July 2017.

No BCSA inspection was done.

Interview with media fire chief said the fire appeared to start "where the electrical service enters the home."

From: England, Elizabeth TRAN:EX [mailto:Elizabeth.England@gov.bc.ca]
Sent: September 29, 2016 3:25 PM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble' <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
Subject: RE: Fire report request

Dear Sharon,

Please be advised that the Office of the Fire Commissioner currently does not have this fire. I will contact the fire department in Powell River to see if they attended and if so the status of the pending fire report. I will keep your request on file and will update you with any new information,

Thank you,

Liz England | A/Fire Reporting Officer
[Office of the Fire Commissioner](#)
[Emergency Management BC](#)
Tel: 250 952-4917 / Fax: 250 952-4888

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From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2016 13:27
To: OFC, OFC
Subject: Fire report request

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am requesting the official report regarding the following fire:

Date: May 25, 2016
Address: 1108 Gillies Rd. Bay, Powell River, BC
Owners: Dan and Marian De Vita

Thank you very much.

Regards,
Sharon Noble

Fire crews were not able to enter the building to fight the fire from inside, so they had to knock holes in exterior walls to gain access to the fire's hotspots. What was not consumed in the fire was soaked and destroyed by the efforts to put it out, said Dan. "Everything is just demolished," he said. "It's devastating." While the cause of the blaze remains unconfirmed and is under investigation, fire officials believe it could have been started by an electrical issue where power comes into the building. Everyone managed to get out of the building and no one was injured. - See more at:

<http://www.prpeak.com/news/fire-destroys-texada-island-inn-social-hub-1.2267556#sthash.kaaKT42d.dpuf>

From: Ruby Beryar [mailto:Ruby.Beryar@safetyauthority.ca] **On Behalf Of** FOI
Sent: March 23, 2017 1:16 PM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble' <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
Subject: RE: FOI request

Hi Sharon,

Please be advised that we have no records related to this incident noted below in our possession.

Regards,
Ruby

Ruby Beryar | Legal and Privacy Assistant
BRITISH COLUMBIA SAFETY AUTHORITY
200 - 505 6th Street, New Westminster BC V3L 0E1
tel: 778.396.2157 | toll free: 1.866.566.7233
www.safetyauthority.ca | *Safe technical systems. Everywhere.*

From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca]
Sent: Saturday, March 18, 2017 1:32 PM
To: FOI <FOI@safetyauthority.ca>
Subject: FOI request

Dear Sir or Madam,

Could you please tell me if the BCSA investigated the cause of this fire? If it did, I would like to request a copy of the report.

Date: May 25, 2016

Address: Texada Island Inn, 1108 GILLIES RD BAY, Powell River, BC V0N 1W0

Owners: Dan & Marian De Vita

Thank you.

Regards,
Sharon Noble

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

1457 McCullagh Ave

Prince George, BC

July 24, 2012

Incident no. CPG 2012 07 24 04 01

Fire department completed the report 5 ½ months after the fire.

Igniting Object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CPG 2012 07 24 04 01**

Location of Incident: **1457 MCCULLAGH AVE
PRINCE GEORGE BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **1** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$200,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$200,000** Content Value: **\$100,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$300,000**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3500 RESIDENTIAL - DUPLEX, 3-PLEX, 4-PLEX
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3990 RESIDENTIAL MISCELLANEOUS - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 8000 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - AC POWER NOT CONNECTED, DISABLE OR OFF
INITIAL DETECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 1000 BASEMENT, SUB-BASEMENT
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 2100 SLEEPING - UNDER 5 OCCUPANTS - INCLUDES PATIENTS' ROOM, BEDR
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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1489 McCullagh Ave.

Prince George, BC

Jan. 21, 2012

Incident no. CPG 2012 01 21 07 01

Fire dept wrote the report within 3 days of the fire but the OFC did not have the report to provide to me until 11 months after the fire, and 1 month after my request.

JAG did not have report until 6 weeks after the OFC had it, or 1 year after the fire.

Igniting object: Permanent electrical wiring

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Electrical short circuit.

The fire was at the electrical panel in the garage.

BCSA did not inspect the fire.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CPG 2012 01 21 07 01**

Location of Incident: **1489 MCCULLAGH AVENUE
PRINCE GEORGE BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **2** # of Injured: **1** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$50,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$0** Content Value: **\$0** Total Value at Risk: **\$0**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	3500 RESIDENTIAL - DUPLEX, 3-PLEX, 4-PLEX
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	3990 RESIDENTIAL MISCELLANEOUS - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT :	1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
EXTENT OF FIRE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	5100 PERMANENT ELECTRIC WIRING, CABLE (NON-ALUMINUM) - INCLUDES P
FUEL OR ENERGY :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	9000 BUILDING COMPONENT - WALL. (EXCLUDES EXTERIOR WALL CLASSIFIE
ACT OR OMISSION :	4400 ELECTRICAL SHORT CIRCUIT

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CPG 2012 01 21 07 01

Location of Incident: 1489 MCCULLAGH AVENUE
PRINCE GEORGE BC

of Occupants (At time of fire): 2 # of Injured: 1 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$22

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$0 Content Value: \$0 Total Value at Risk: \$0

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3500 RESIDENTIAL - DUPLEX, 3-PLEX, 4-PLEX
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3990 RESIDENTIAL MISCELLANEOUS - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
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SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
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FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 9000 BUILDING COMPONENT - WALL. (EXCLUDES EXTERIOR WALL CLASSIFIE
ACT OR OMISSION : 4400 ELECTRICAL SHORT CIRCUIT

Investigating Officer LAFB Badge #
IVERSON, JOHN 2356

Telephone ReportDate
250-561-7667 2012-01-24

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CPG 2012 01 21 07 01

Remarks:

STRUCTURE FIRE IN A FOUR-PLEX. FIRE APPEARS TO HAVE STARTED IN THE ELECTRICAL PANEL IN THE GARAGE. CREWS WERE ABLE TO RESCUE A WOMAN WHO WAS TRAPPED IN THE BASEMENT SUITE WHO WAS THEN TAKEN TO HOSPITAL BY BCAS. RULED ACCIDENTAL.

Investigating Officer
IVERSON, JOHN

LAFC Badge #
2356

Telephone
250-561-7667

Report Date
2012-01-24



February 19, 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble

**Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2015-10**

The BC Safety Authority received your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) on January 21, 2015.

According to your application, you requested **all records on the incident at 1489 McCullagh Ave., Prince George, BC on January 21, 2012.**

Please be advised that we have no records related to your request in our possession.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sarb Dhut".

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



Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

1705 Mill Rd

Prince George, BC

Sept. 20, 2013

Incident no. CPG 2013 09 2009 01

Fire dept completed the report 5 months after the fire, failed being included in the annual report

The report was not on the OFC system, and the report was available 6 weeks after I requested it.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or omission: Mechanical/electrical failure

BCSA inspected the fire 3 days after the fire.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CPG 2013 09 20 09 01 *

Location of Incident: **1705 MILL RD
PRINCE GEORGE BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): 0 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ s.22

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$ s.22 Content Value: \$ s.22 Total Value at Risk: s.22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 0009 GENERAL CONSTRUCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0030 3 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 4900 MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL FAILURE/MALFUNCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DE

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)INCIDENT NUMBER: **CPG 2013 09 20 09 01****Remarks:**

FULLY INVOLVED 3 STOREY HOUSE WITH HEAVY SMOKE AND FLAMES SHOWING FROM THE 2ND FLOOR/ROOF OF CHARLIE/DELTA. CREWS FOUND THE ENTIRE CHARLIE SIDE (ALL 3 FLOORS) INVOLVED IN FIRE WITH THE SIDING ALREADY BURNED OFF A LARGE PORTION OF THE HOUSE. CONFIRMED THIS WAS A DEFENSIVE OPERATION AND ORDERED 2 1/2' LINE TO BE USED ALPHA SIDE TRYING TO SLOW FIRE SPREAD TO ALPHA. APPROXIMATELY 10 MINUTES IN, THE OVERHEAD GARAGE DOOR OPENED SPONTANEOUSLY AND 2 DOGS RAN OUT OF THE GARAGE. NEIGHBOR PROVIDED A WRITTEN STATEMENT STATING THAT HE HEARD A TREE FALL AT APPROXIMATELY 0830 HOURS AND WHEN HE NOTICED IT FELL ON HIS NEIGHBORS POWER LINE HE CALLED BC HYDRO AT APPROXIMATELY 0835 HOURS. HE LEFT THE NEIGHBORHOOD FOR WORK AT APPROXIMATELY 0845 HOURS AND DID NOT SEE ANY SMOKE.

Investigating Officer
IVERSON, JOHN

LAFC Badge #
2356

Telephone
250-561-7667

ReportDate
2014-02-23

Incident Report

File Number: 5473538
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: COLLIN HONEYMAN
Type of Premises: Single Family Residential

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2013/09/20
Incident Time: 09:15
Investigation Date: 2013/09/23

Incident Location: 1705 Mill Road
Area: PRINCE GEORGE N OF 15AVE

Executive Summary:

On Friday September 20 on or around 9:15am a fire extensively damaged a single family residence on Mill Road in the Prince George Cranbrook Hill neighbourhood.

Full Description of Incident:

On Friday September 20th at around 8:20am a tree fell on the service triplex of 1705 Mill Road. The force of the tree sitting on the triplex caused the neutral to pull out of the splice. The neutral was shorter than the two line conductors and most of the force was on this splice. The two phase conductors held and now the service voltage would change based on the loads present in the building. The phase voltage could get as high as 1.73 times the nominal voltage and could damage electrical equipment that may be running. The owners were not home so only cyclical loads or lighting loads would be on at the time. First signs of a fire were seen at around 9:00am. The origin contained a number of lights and cyclical loads which were located on the subpanel in the basement.

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

The house is a complete loss. The structure has extensive fire damage. The garage is standing but has extensive water and smoke damage.

Incident Severity: Level 2 Equipment Damage: Extensive Property Damage: Extensive

People Involved:

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

Cause Summary:

The incident occurred shortly after the loss of the service neutral. There were cyclical loads and lighting in the origin that may have been damaged and resulted in the fire. Without definitive evidence supporting another source of ignition it is with high confidence that the loss of neutral was a significant factor in the fire. The structure was compromised and no entrance into the building could be done safely.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

1108 Duchman Dr.

Revelstoke, BC

May 25, 2014

No incident no.

Smart meter overheated, melted. Owner was home and turned power off preventing a fire. This was the second failure of a smart meter at this home. Photos are available

BC Hydro attended.

BC Hydro refused to provide any information to the victim.

BC Hydro refused to provide information about the smart meter. Even though I asked for no personal information this excuse was used to refuse.

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "FOI Officer Scott MacDonald" <scott.macdonald@bchydro.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2015 8:38:12 PM
Subject: FOI -- trouble report Revelstoke incident

Dear Mr. MacDonald,

Under the Freedom of Information Act I am requesting information about the equipment failure that occurred at the following incident:

Date: May 25, 2014

Address: 1108 Duchman Drive, Revelstoke, BC

Owner: G. Fekishazy

Please note that I am not asking for anything that pertains to personal information regarding Ms. Fekishazy. Rather what I am asking for is information about the equipment that failed at Ms. Fekishazy's residence. What type of information failed, what caused the failure and any associated reports.

Thank you,

Sharon Noble



FOR GENERATIONS

Scott Macdonald

Manager, Freedom of Information and Privacy

16th Floor

Phone: (604) 623-3880

Fax: (604) 623-4556

Request Number: 201.20.2015-134

Vancouver)

03 March 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC
V9C 3V5

Dear Ms. Noble:

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ('the Act')
— Request for records

I am writing in response to your request for records under the Act.

Section 22 of the Act, prohibits BC Hydro from disclosing the personal information of an individual to a third party if the disclosure of that information would be an unreasonable invasion of the individual's personal privacy. In view of section 22, we are not permitted to provide you with information related to an account that was not in your name.

If you have any questions regarding our response to your request for records, please call me. You may also ask the Office of Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC ('the OIPC') to review our response to your request. You have 30 days from the receipt of this letter to request a review by writing to:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria, B.C.
V8V 3K3

If you request a review, please provide the OIPC with a copy of this letter and a copy of your request.

Yours truly,



Scott Macdonald



December 22, 2014

Ms. Sharon Noble

Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2014-202

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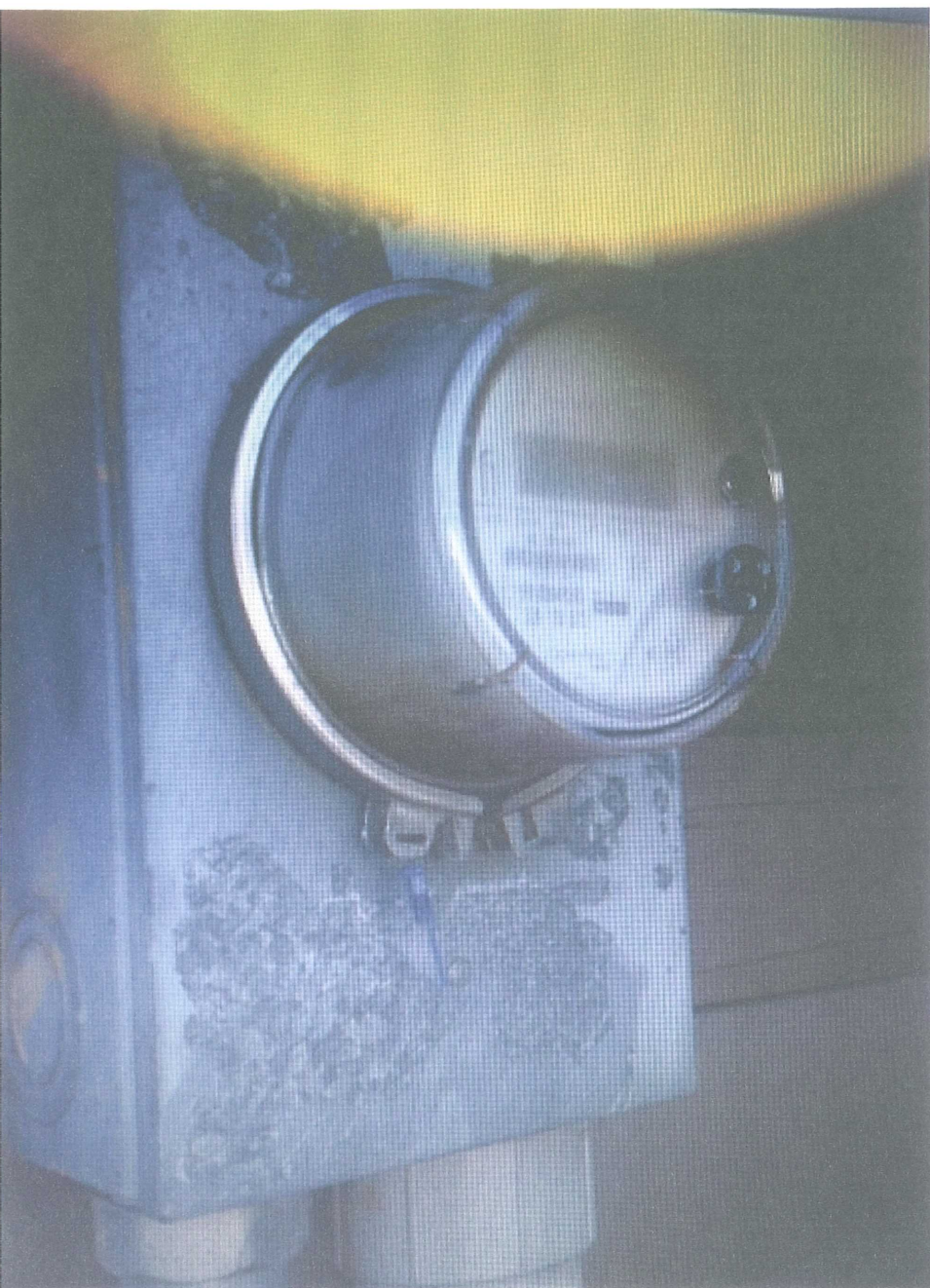
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Sarb Dhut
Records, Information and Privacy Analyst
British Columbia Safety Authority



One of 7 photos sent by homeowner

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

3214 Wetherby Rd.

Saanich, BC

March 19, 2013

Incident no. DSA 2013 03 19 04 03

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined

According to witness the smart meter was removed before inspection took place. Photo provided.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DSA 2013 03 19 04 03**

Location of Incident: **3214 WETHERBY RD
SAANICH BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **3** # of Injured: **1** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$180,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$450,000** Content Value: **\$20,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$470,000**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3140 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 2-FAMILY (DUPLEX)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0051 1951 TO 1960
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 9500 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - UNKNOWN
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 4000 2ND STOREY OR OVER 3M TO 6M (10FT TO 20FT) ABOVE GRADE
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 3100 KITCHEN, COOKING AREA
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
KOLLMAR, ANDREW

Telephone ReportDate
250-475-5500 2013-03-27

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: DSA 2013 03 19 04 03

Location of Incident: 3214 WETHERBY RD
SAANICH BC

of Occupants (At time of fire): 3 # of Injured: 1 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$22
Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$22 Content Value: \$22 Total Value at Risk: \$22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3140 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 2-FAMILY (DUPLEX)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0051 1951 TO 1960
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
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FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 3100 KITCHEN, COOKING AREA
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)INCIDENT NUMBER: **DSA 2013 03 19 04 03****Remarks:**

RESPONDED TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS FOR FIRE CAUSE AND ORIGIN DETERMINATION. THE ROOM OF ORIGIN IS IN THE KITCHEN. THE AREA OF ORIGIN IS THE ABOVE, BESIDE OR BEHIND THE FRIDGE.

Investigating Officer
KOLLMAR, ANDREW

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Telephone
250-475-5500

ReportDate
2013-03-27

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

1681 Midgard Ave.

Saanich, BC

Dec. 30, 2014

Incident no. DSA 2014 12 30 19 04

The fire department completed its report 3 weeks after the fire, but the OFC did not have the report 5 months later. The report was not provided until 6 weeks after the request was made.

Igniting object: Electrical distribution equipment

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or omission: Mechanical/electrical failure/malfunction

Fire at the electrical panel.

City of Victoria is responsible for conducting inspections of electrical fires and they did not respond to multiple requests for a report. I can only assume no inspection was done.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: DSA 2014 12 30 19 04

Location of Incident: 1681 MIDGARD AVE
SAANICH BC

of Occupants (At time of fire): 2 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$22

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$22 Content Value: \$22 Total Value at Risk: \$22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3100 RESIDENTIAL - ROW, GARDEN, TOWN HOUSING, CONDOMINIUM
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0061 1961 TO 1965
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 2100 SLEEPING - UNDER 5 OCCUPANTS - INCLUDES PATIENTS' ROOM, BEDR
EXTENT OF FIRE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5900 ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 3000 EXTERIOR WALL COVERING, SURFACE, FINISH - INCLUDES EAVE
ACT OR OMISSION : 4900 MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL FAILURE/MALFUNCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DE

Investigating Officer
LILLIS, SEAN

LAFC Badge #

Telephone ReportDate
250-475-5500 2015-01-20

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: DSA 2014 12 30 19 04

Remarks:

THIS WAS AN ELECTRICAL FIRE ORIGINATING IN THE MAIN ELECTRICAL PANEL OF THE HOME.

Investigating Officer
LILLIS, SEAN

LAFC Badge #

Telephone
250-475-5500

ReportDate
2015-01-20

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

2979 Austin Ave.

Saanich, BC

Sept. 21, 2014

Incident no. DSA 2014 09 21 00 15

The fire dept. completed the report 2 ½ months after the fire, 10 days after I requested it.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined

Neighbour reported that Hydro removed the smart meter before the inspection.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DSA 2014 09 21 00 15**

Location of Incident: **2979 AUSTIN AVE
SAANICH BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **2** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$527,500**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: Content Value: \$ Total Value at Risk: \$

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0051 1951 TO 1960
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AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
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INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
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FIRE SERVICE : 1000 CAREER FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 1000 BASEMENT, SUB-BASEMENT
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 3200 LAUNDRY AREA - INCLUDES WASH HOUSE
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
TREPELS, CARL

Telephone ReportDate
250-475-5500 2014-12-11

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: DSA 2014 12 30 19 04

Location of Incident: 1681 MIDGARD AVE
SAANICH BC

of Occupants (At time of fire): 2 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$22

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$22 Content Value: \$22 Total Value at Risk: \$22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3100 RESIDENTIAL - ROW, GARDEN, TOWN HOUSING, CONDOMINIUM
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - I-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
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IGNITING OBJECT : 5900 ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)


INCIDENT NUMBER: **DSA 2014 12 30 19 04**

Remarks:

THIS WAS AN ELECTRICAL FIRE ORIGINATING IN THE MAIN ELECTRICAL PANEL OF THE HOME.

Investigating Officer
LILLIS, SEAN

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Telephone
250-475-5500 

ReportDate
2015-01-20

From: Sarb Dhut [mailto:Sarb.Dhut@safetyauthority.ca]

Sent: July 20, 2015 4:08 PM

To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble' <dsnoble@shaw.ca>

Subject: RE: FOI request -- Report re. electrical fire,

Hi Sharon,

Please be advised that we do not have any information related to this report in our possession.

Thanks

Sarb Dhut | Analyst, Records Information and Privacy

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Customer Message:

Name: Sharon Noble

Email: dsnoble@shaw.ca

Message: Dear Sir or Madam,

Under the Freedom of Information Act I am requesting a copy of all reports at your disposal for the following electrical fire:

Date: Dec. 30, 2014

Address: 1667 Midgard Ave., Victoria, BC V8P 2Y4

Thank you very much.

Sharon Noble

dsnoble@shaw.ca...

From: Cylex Canada [<mailto:no-reply@cylex.ca>]
Sent: July 17, 2015 1:00 PM
To: British Columbia Safety Authority Victoria Office
Subject: FOI request -- Report re. electrical fire,



This is the message you sent to "British Columbia Safety Authority Victoria Office" through Cylex on "17.07.2015":

Customer Message:

Name: Sharon Noble

Email: dsnoble@shaw.ca

Message: Dear Sir or Madam,
Under the Freedom of Information Act I am requesting a copy of all reports at your disposal for the following electrical fire:

Date: Dec. 30, 2014

Address: 1667 Midgard Ave., Victoria, BC V8P 2Y4

Thank you very much.
Sharon Noble

dsnoble@shaw.ca...

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From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca]

Sent: September 21, 2016 4:40 PM

To: 'vfd@victoria.ca' <vfd@victoria.ca>

Subject: Fire inspection report

Dear Sir or Madam,

The BC Safety Authority has advised that the City of Victoria is responsible for inspecting and investigating electrical fires on its behalf. I therefore am asking if your department performed an inspection of this electrical fire. If you did, would you please provide me with a copy of that report?

Date: Dec. 30, 2014

Address: 1681 Midgard Ave.

Thank you very much.

Regards,
Sharon Noble

No response received to either request

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

3068 Sarah Dr.

Otter Point, BC

Feb. 3, 2015

Incident no. NOP 2015 02 03 00 01

Even though the fire department completed the report within 8 days after the fire, the OFC did not have the report more than 14 months after the fire when I asked for the report. I had to wait 3 months, and the OFC had to request several times.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined.

According to the news article the fire started in the building where through which the power is supplied.

<http://www.cheknews.ca/sooke-fire-left-family-without-power-60346/>

BCSA did not inspect this electrical fire.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **NOP 2015 02 03 00 01**

Location of Incident: **3068 SARAH DRIVE
OTTER POINT BC V9Z0J5**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$115,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$54,000** Content Value: **\$61,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$115,000**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	0009 BUILDING/STRUCTURE UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	5670 GENERAL MAINTENANCE SHOP
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	1000 COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - OPEN WOOD JOIST
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	1000 1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	2010 2010
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	7000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	9900 NO SMOKE ALARM INSTALLED
INITIAL DETECTION :	7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT :	1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	4500 65MM/77MM (2 1/2"/3") HOSE -2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	3550 MAINTENANCE SHOP - INCLUDES REPAIR SHOP, WELDING SHOP, WORKS
EXTENT OF FIRE :	6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer
MCCREA, JOHN

LAFC Badge #
1830

Telephone ReportDate
250-642-6211 2015-02-11

Dennis and Sharon Noble

From: Ruby Beryar <Ruby.Beryar@safetyauthority.ca> on behalf of FOI <FOI@safetyauthority.ca>
Sent: January 25, 2017 1:22 PM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble'
Subject: RE: FOI request

Please be advised that we have no record related to this incident noted below in our possession.

Ruby Beryar | Legal and Privacy Assistant
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From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca]
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2017 5:22 PM
To: FOI <FOI@safetyauthority.ca>
Subject: FOI request

Dear Sir or Madam:

Can you please tell me if the BCSA inspected this fire? If it did, I would like to request a copy of the final report.

Date: Feb. 3, 2015

Address: 3068 Sarah Dr., Sooke, BC V9C 0J5

Owner: Quinn Pearson

Thank you.

Regards,

Sharon Noble

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

126 Aspen,

Sparwood, BC

Aug. 1, 2012

No incident number

BCSA file no. 5200786

A fire occurred at the meter, in the meter base, on the outside of the Post Office in Sparwood. The fire dept attended but because there were no flames no report was required.

The meter was removed and replaced before an inspection by BCSA was made. In fact BCSA was not notified for 4 days.

Because the meter was not made available to BCSA and a new smart meter had been installed it was impossible for the cause of the fire to be determined.

From: Roberts, Amanda JAG:EX [<mailto:Amanda.Roberts@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: April 9, 2014 12:00 PM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble'
Subject: Fire Report

Good afternoon Ms. Noble,

The event on August 1st, 2012 at 126 Aspen, Sparwood BC did not require a fire report to be made and submitted to the fire commissioners office. This incident had no flames, no damage, and the fire department was there on standby as a precaution. If there is no flame, and little or no damage at an incident, no fire report is required.

Thank you,

Amanda Roberts
Fire Reporting Systems Officer
Emergency Management British Columbia
Block A - Suite 200
2261 Keating Cross Road
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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:

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.

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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PERMIT NUMBER: 5194968

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR INSTALLATION PERMIT

Permit Holder: CROSS CIRCUIT ELECTRONIC LTD

Contractor Number 200604

ELKFORD, BC V0B 1H0

FSR No. *See 22(1)*

FSR Class: FIELD SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE CLASS B, MAX 750 V

Field Safety Representative: HEYBOER, JASON D.

Issue Date: 2012/08/02

Expiry Date: 2013/01/29

Permit Class: Addition/Alteration Commercial

Installation Name: SPARWOOD POST OFFICE

Installation Address: 126 ASPEN DRIVE SPARWOOD

Directions:

Description Of Work: EMERGENCY CALL - REPLACE METER BASE

Work Type: COMMERCIAL

Rating Of Service Switch: Volts: Amps: Phase: 1

Size and Type of Service Conductor:

Available Fault Current:

Job No:

Installation Value: \$ *See 22(1)(b)(i)* \$110.00

Flat Fee: \$0.00

User Fee:

HST: \$0.00

Less Online Discount: \$0.00

Total Permit Fee: \$110.00

Safety Officer Name: DON BALLARD

Safety Officer Phone: 250-426-1276

Safety Officer Location: CRANBROOK - BCSA

Office: CRANBROOK - BCSA

Office Phone: 250-426-1277

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

37940 Fifth Ave.

Squamish, BC

Feb. 24, 2013

Incident no. DSQ 2013 02 24 24 01

The fire department completed the report 19 months after the fire. It was completed 2 months after I requested it.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **DSQ 2013 02 24 24 01**

Location of Incident: **37940 FIFTH AVENUE
SQUAMISH BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **6** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$160,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$250,000** Content Value: **\$20,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$270,000**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3105 RESIDENTIAL - 3 OR MORE PERSONS IN CARE (2 OR LESS PERSONS I
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 1000 COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - OPEN WOOD JOIST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 9900 NO SMOKE ALARM INSTALLED
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 2100 SLEEPING - UNDER 5 OCCUPANTS - INCLUDES PATIENTS' ROOM, BEDR
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 7400 CANDLE
FUEL OR ENERGY : 1000 SOLID FUEL (E.G. COAL, WOOD, PELLETS, PAPER OR WASTE USED FO
FORM OF HEAT : 4000 DIRECT FLAME
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 7600 ASLEEP - SUSPECTED USE OF ALCOHOL, DRUGS OR MEDICATION

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FULTON, BOB 1138

Telephone ReportDate
604-898-9666 2014-09-29

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

10743 Tilbury St.

Surrey, BC

Sept. 13, 2015

Incident no. CSY 2015 09 13 03 01

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined.

Fire started in the garage at 2 am.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CSY 2015 09 13 03 01**

Location of Incident: **10743 TILBURY PL
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **3** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **S. 21**
Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **S. 21** Content Value: **S. 21** Total Value at Risk: **S. 21**

Code Name : **Code Description**

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 1970 1970
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
EXTENT OF FIRE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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SHEEL, DANIEL 1810

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604-543-6700 2015-09-23

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2015 09 13 03 01

Location of Incident: **10743 TILBURY PL
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **s.2** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **s.22**
Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$s.22** Content Value **s.22** Total Value at Risk: **s.22**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 1970 1970
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
EXTENT OF FIRE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2015 09 13 03 01

Remarks:

HEAVILY DAMAGE IN GARAGE AREA. HEAVILY DAMAGE TO VEHICLE.

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Telephone ReportDate
604-543-6700 2015-09-23

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

14330 82nd Ave.

Surrey, BC

Jan. 17, 2014

Incident no. CSY 2014 01 17 00 05

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or Omission: Cannot be determined

Fire department completed the report 4 days after the fire and the OFC had the report on its system within 7 months when the report was requested. But JAG did not have the report until 6 weeks after OFC provided the report to me.

The occupants were gone at the time of the fire, according to Vancouver Sun.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CSY 2014 01 17 00 05**

Location of Incident: **14330 82 AVE
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$1,800,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$1,100,000** Content Value: **\$700,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$1,800,000**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0030 3 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 1985 1985
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 5000 ALARM ACTIVATED - OCCUPANT ACTION UNKNOWN
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 4000 2ND STOREY OR OVER 3M TO 6M (10FT TO 20FT) ABOVE GRADE
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
EXTENT OF FIRE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2014 01 17 00 05

Location of Incident: **14330 82 AVE
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ **s.22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **s.22** Content Value: \$ **s.22** Total Value at Risk: \$ **s.22**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0030 3 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 1985 1985
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 5000 ALARM ACTIVATED - OCCUPANT ACTION UNKNOWN
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4700 COMBINATIONS OF 38/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4"), 65MM (2 1/2"), 7
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 4000 2ND STOREY OR OVER 3M TO 6M (10FT TO 20FT) ABOVE GRADE
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
EXTENT OF FIRE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2014 01 17 00 05

Remarks:

TOTAL LOSS OF BUILDING. CHIEF FRY TERMINATED FIRE INVESTIGATION.

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Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

8860 146A St.

Surrey, BC

Jan. 2, 2014

Incident no. CSY 2014 01 02 03 01

Fire department completed the report more than 3 months after the fire on the day of my request even though a person died in the fire.

JAG did not have the report available until 6 weeks after my request and more than 5 ½ months after the fire.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined

Location of Incident: **8860 146A ST**
SURREY BC

of Occupants (At time of fire): 7 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$190,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$190,000** Content Value: **\$120,000** Total Value at Risk: \$

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 1970 1970
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 3000 ALARM ACTIVATED - OCCUPANT(S) UNABLE TO RESPOND
INITIAL DETECTION : 2000 SMOKE DETECTOR DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 4000 2ND STOREY OR OVER 3M TO 6M (10FT TO 20FT) ABOVE GRADE
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1400 LOUNGE, LIVING ROOM - INCLUDES MUSIC ROOM, COMMON ROOM, TV R
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2014 01 02 03 01 *

Location of Incident: **8860 146A ST
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): 7 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ s.22

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$ s.22 Content Value: \$ s.22 Total Value at Risk: \$ s.22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 1970 1970
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 3000 ALARM ACTIVATED - OCCUPANT(S) UNABLE TO RESPOND
INITIAL DETECTION : 2000 SMOKE DETECTOR DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 4000 2ND STOREY OR OVER 3M TO 6M (10FT TO 20FT) ABOVE GRADE
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1400 LOUNGE, LIVING ROOM - INCLUDES MUSIC ROOM, COMMON ROOM, TV R
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)INCIDENT NUMBER: **CSY 2014 01 02 03 01****Remarks:**

HEAVY FIRE DAMAGE TO DWELLING FEMALE HOME OWNER WAS FOUND DEAD AT TOP OF ENTRANCE STAIRWELL
FIRE ORIGIN WAS THE UPSTAIRS LIVING ROOM UPON DIG OUT OF SCENE, A NUMBER OF 'DIYA' OIL LAMPS WERE
FOUND & MAY HAVE BEEN THE CAUSE OF THE FIRE SEVERAL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY HAD SMOKE
INHALATION & BURNS

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604-543-6700	2014-04-07

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

8362 120 St.

Surrey, BC

Dec. 26, 2013

Incident no. CSY 2013 12 26 07 03

Fire department completed the report more than 3 ½ months after the fire – missed the annual report.

JAG did not have the report available until 6 weeks after OFC provided its report.

Igniting object : Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or Omission: Cannot be determined

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CSY 2013 12 26 07 03**

Location of Incident: **8362 120 ST
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **20** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$170,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$2,800,000** Content Value: **\$120,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$2,920,000**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3200 RESIDENTIAL - APARTMENT
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3230 APARTMENT, TOWNHOUSE - 5 TO 20 UNITS WITH BUSINESS
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 3000 501 TO 1000M2 (5383 - 10764FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0061 1961 TO 1965
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 2000 FIRE ALARM SYSTEM - LOCAL (BUILDING ONLY)
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 6000 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - UNSUITABLE LOCATION
INITIAL DETECTION : 2000 SMOKE DETECTOR DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 4000 2ND STOREY OR OVER 3M TO 6M (10FT TO 20FT) ABOVE GRADE
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1010 HALLWAY, CORRIDOR
EXTENT OF FIRE : 4000 CONFINED TO FLOOR LEVEL OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 4000 CONFINED TO FLOOR LEVEL OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2013 12 26 07 03

Location of Incident: **8362 120 ST
SURREY BC**

# of Occupants (At time of fire): 20	# of Injured: 0	# of Deaths: 0	Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ s.22
Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO	Property Value: s.22	Content Value: \$ s.22	Total Value at Risk: \$ s.22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3200 RESIDENTIAL - APARTMENT
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3230 APARTMENT, TOWNHOUSE - 5 TO 20 UNITS WITH BUSINESS
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 3000 501 TO 1000M2 (5383 - 10764FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0061 1961 TO 1965
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 2000 FIRE ALARM SYSTEM - LOCAL (BUILDING ONLY)
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 6000 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - UNSUITABLE LOCATION
INITIAL DETECTION : 2000 SMOKE DETECTOR DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 4000 2ND STOREY OR OVER 3M TO 6M (10FT TO 20FT) ABOVE GRADE
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1010 HALLWAY, CORRIDOR
EXTENT OF FIRE : 4000 CONFINED TO FLOOR LEVEL OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 4000 CONFINED TO FLOOR LEVEL OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)INCIDENT NUMBER: **CSY 2013 12 26 07 03****Remarks:**

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO UPPER FLOOR FIRE STARTED TO HALLWAY ENTRANCE TO EXIT STAIRWELL HEAVY
DAMAGE TO FIRE ORIGIN AREA & APARTMENT CLOSEST TO THE FIRE ORIGIN ALL OTHER SUITES HAD SMOKE &
HEAT DAMAGE FIRE CAUSE UNKNOWN LOWER FLOOR BUSINESS ONLY RECIEVED, WATER DAMAGE

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BERG, FRED	2061	604-543-6700	2014-04-07

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

12547 68th Ave.

Surrey, BC

Aug 8 2012

Incident no. CSY 2012 08 24 15 02

Igniting object: Electrical bypass

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, electrical, includes arc

Material first ignited: Plastic

Fire at the smart meter according to media report.

Appears the meter itself was on fire and damaged the surrounding wall.

No electrical inspection report provided. Surrey has jurisdiction for fire inspections but report provided no information.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

**INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2012 08
02**

Location of Incident:

**12547 68 AVE
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$1**

Related to Wildland Interface
Fire: **NO**

Property
Value: **\$100,000**

Content Value: **\$10,000** Total Value at Risk:

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD
PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0066 1966 TO 1968
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM
SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 9900 NO SMOKE ALARM INSTALLED
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL
DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE
DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7600 EXTERIOR WALL
EXTENT OF FIRE : 3000 CONFINED TO ROOM OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 3000 CONFINED TO ROOM OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5310 ELECTRICAL BYPASS (ILLEGAL OPERATIONS)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE.
(EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 7300 PLASTICS - (EXCLUDES CELLULOSE NITRATE CLASSIFIED
UNDER 720.
ACT OR OMISSION : 9950 ILLEGAL OPERATIONS/ACTIVITIES (E.G. GROW OPS, MET
LABS)

Investigating Officer
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Telephone Report
604-543-6700 2012-0

Amanda Roberts
Fire Reporting Systems Officer

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2012 08 24 15 02

Location of Incident: 12547 68 AVE
SURREY BC

of Occupants (At time of fire): 0 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ s.22

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: s.22 Content Value: \$ s.22 Total Value at Risk: \$ s.22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0066 1966 TO 1968
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 9900 NO SMOKE ALARM INSTALLED
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
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EXTENT OF FIRE : 3000 CONFINED TO ROOM OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 3000 CONFINED TO ROOM OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5310 ELECTRICAL BYPASS (ILLEGAL OPERATIONS)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 7300 PLASTICS - (EXCLUDES CELLULOSE NITRATE CLASSIFIED UNDER 720.
ACT OR OMISSION : 9950 ILLEGAL OPERATIONS/ACTIVITIES (E.G. GROW OPS, METH LABS)

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604-543-6700 2012-09-04

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2012 08 24 15 02


Remarks:

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BYPASS IN GROUND BELOW METER. FIRE DAMAGED WALL.

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ReportDate
2012-09-04

BC Hydro meter fire sparks suspicion of grow-op in Surrey

Christopher Reynolds, Vancouver Sun 08.25.2012

A BC Hydro meter fire at a house in Surrey on Friday sparked suspicion of a marijuana grow-up and a police investigation.

Fire crews arrived at 12553 68th Avenue in the West Newton North neighbourhood around 4:30 p.m. to douse the blazing meter, said Battalion Chief Steve Zecchel.

“It was a suspected grow-op,” he said.

Zecchel said hydroponics operations, which demand large amounts of electrical power, can overload a meter’s capacity and lead to a fire.

BC Hydro officials and RCMP officers were on scene to investigate Friday afternoon and the case is now being handled by Surrey Mounties.

The blaze was limited to the meter and a small part of the wall it was attached to, Zecchel said. No one was injured by the flames.

He could not confirm whether the meter was a newly installed smart meter, although more than 75 per cent of Surrey homes have received them, according to BC Hydro officials.

Smart meter installations are the suspected cause of an “unusual” number of fires within the past year in B.C., according to a recent investigation by the Ontario fire marshal’s office.

BC Hydro is in the process of a \$1-billion installation of the meters, which use wireless technology to transmit information about electricity consumption to power utilities.

There’s no evidence to suggest that the meters themselves are overheating and catching fire, but it appears from the Ontario report, dated June 15, 2012, that the base plates, or four-pronged sockets that meters plug into, can become compromised and start to burn if they’re old or suffer rough handling during installation.

creynolds@vancouversun.com

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To: Manager Building Division - Planning & Development Department

RD	12547-05800
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Address: **12547 68 AVE, SURREY**

Unit

Fire Department Incident #: **12-42241**

Date of Fire Damage: **08/24/2012**

Name of Owner:

Phone Number: --

Owners Address:

Name of Occupant:

Occupant Phone Number: --

Construction of Building:

Areas of Concern:

Structural:

EAST WALL

Electrical:

ELECTRICAL SERVICE

Plumbing:

Controlled Substance Bylaw:

Yes

No

(circle one)

Caution Notes to Inspector:

GROW-OP FZRB NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN
OK TO CONCLUDE FILE.
OCT 2/12 L. GRAMM

Notification Originated by:

MARC BERUBB

Phone #:

604-543-6761

Date:

18 Sept 2012

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Building Damage Report

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To: Manager Building Division - Planning & Development Department

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Address: ~~12553-68 AVE, SURREY~~

Unit

12547-68 AVE

Fire Department Incident #: 12-42241

Date of Fire Damage: 08/24/2012

Name of Owner:

Phone Number: --

Owners Address:

Name of Occupant:

Occupant Phone Number: --

Construction of Building:

Areas of Concern:

Structural:

EAST WALL

Electrical:

ELECTRICAL SERVICE

Plumbing:

Controlled Substance Bylaw:

Yes

No

(circle one)

Caution Notes to Inspector:

GROW-OP FIRE

* UNLICENSED ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR IS PERFORMING SAFETY CHECK & REPAIR
OF ABOVE ADDRESS - A PERMIT IS REQUIRED SEP 7/12 AB

Notification Originated by:

MARC BÉRYBÉ

Phone #:

604-543-6751

Date:

27 AUG 2012

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

15321 111th Ave.

Surrey, BC

July 30, 2014

Incident no. CSY 2014 07 30 03 01

Although the fire department completed the report within 2 weeks of the fire and the report was available from the OFC 2 years after the fire, JAG was not able to provide the report for 6 weeks.

Igniting object: Panel board, switchboard in garage.

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or Omission: Mechanical/electrical failure/ malfunction

Surrey Fire Dept did not perform an electrical inspection. No report was available.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2014 07 30 03 01

Location of Incident: **15321 111 AVE
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **3** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$22** Content Value: **\$22** Total Value at Risk: **\$22**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 1000 1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 2001 2001
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 1000 SMOKE ALARM DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4500 65MM/77MM (2 1/2"/3") HOSE -2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
EXTENT OF FIRE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5400 PANEL BOARD, SWITCHBOARD - INCLUDES FUSE, CIRCUIT BREAKER
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 1200 INTERIOR WALL COVERING, SURFACE MATERIAL - PLASTIC
ACT OR OMISSION : 4900 MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL FAILURE/MALFUNCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DE

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
SHEEL, DANIEL 1810

Telephone ReportDate
604-543-6700 2014-08-12

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2014 07 30 03 01

Remarks:

FIRE STARTED IN ELECTRICAL PANEL.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CSY 2014 07 30 03 01**

Location of Incident: **15321 111 AVE
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **3** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$600,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$800,000** Content Value: **\$200,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$1,000,000**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	1000 1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	2001 2001
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION :	1000 SMOKE ALARM DEVICE
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT :	1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	4500 65MM/77MM (2 1/2"/3") HOSE -2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
EXTENT OF FIRE :	6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	5400 PANEL BOARD, SWITCHBOARD - INCLUDES FUSE, CIRCUIT BREAKER
FUEL OR ENERGY :	6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT :	2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	1200 INTERIOR WALL COVERING, SURFACE MATERIAL - PLASTIC
ACT OR OMISSION :	4900 MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL FAILURE/MALFUNCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DE

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FIRE REPORT - **VEHICLE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CSY 2014 07 30 03 04**

Location of Incident: **15321 111 AVE
SURREY BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$5,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$0** Content Value: **\$5,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$5,000**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 8610 AUTOMOBILE - INCLUDES CARS, LIGHT TRUCKS AND VANS, SINGLE BO
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 8500 VEHICLE - PASSENGER AREA
EXTENT OF FIRE : 6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 8900 EXPOSURE - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 8000 EXPOSURE FIRE
FORM OF HEAT : 6000 HOT OBJECT - DIRECT HEAT BY CONDUCTION OR RADIATION, NO DIRE
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 9000 BUILDING COMPONENT - WALL. (EXCLUDES EXTERIOR WALL CLASSIFIE
ACT OR OMISSION : 4900 MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL FAILURE/MALFUNCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DE

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City of Surrey
Surrey Fire Services
8767 132 Street
Surrey, BC V3W 4P1

Request for Surrey Fire Service Records

Date of request: _____

REQUESTOR'S INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Company: _____

Your file #: _____

AUTHORIZATION

Are you requesting access to another person's personal information? YES or NO

If you answered yes, please note: Section 22 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* requires the City to remove personal information unless the individual has consented in writing for it to be disclosed to you. You will not receive someone else's personal information if you do not include authorization to release from that person.

I AM REQUESTING:

Name of Record	Fees	✓
Motor Vehicle Accident Report	\$151.42 per incident	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motor Vehicle Fire Incident /Investigation Reports including photos if applicable	\$112.16 per incident	<input type="checkbox"/>
Structure Fire Incident/Investigation Reports including photos if applicable	\$112.16 per incident	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medical call Incident Report	\$151.42 per incident	<input type="checkbox"/>
Incident Questionnaire (<i>Can be requested only after you have requested and received Incident Report</i>)	\$157.02 per request	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dispatch Recordings for Incident: 1. 10 or fewer recordings for incident 2. More than 10 recordings for incident	\$112.16 per incident \$224.32 per incident	<input type="checkbox"/>

From: Wilson, Lorraine [<mailto:LMWilson@surrey.ca>]

Sent: June 10, 2016 9:44 AM

To: Dennis and Sharon Noble <dsnoble@shaw.ca>

Subject: RE: Electrical fire report

The report that you have received from the Office of the Fire Commissioner is our report that we send to them.

The incident report is also our report that the crew fill out when they attend an incident and the fire investigation report (which you already have received)

We do not supply any data to the BCSA just to the Office of the Fire Commissioner.

Hope that helps answer your questions.

Lorraine Wilson

Surrey Fire Service

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surreyemergencyprogram@surrey.ca

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From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [<mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca>]

Sent: Thursday, June 09, 2016 1:34 PM

To: Wilson, Lorraine

Subject: RE: Electrical fire report

Hello, Lorraine,

Thank you for your response.

I believe I need to clarify my request. I have a fire report that I received from the fire commissioner. It was an electrical fire and I would like to have the report that is comparable to that provided by the BC Safety Authority for fires that they inspected. Is that the "fire incident" report?

Also, could you please tell me if Surrey provides reports or summary data on electrical fires to the BCSA or to some other agency?

Thank you in advance for this information.

Regards, Sharon Noble

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

2536 Harper Ranch Pinantan Rd.

Thompson-Nicola Regional District BC

April 16, 2014

Incident no. RTN 2014 04 16 22 01

Fire dept. did not complete the report until several days after I submitted my request, more than 3 ½ months after the fire.

Igniting object: Central heating unit

Fuel: Electricity

Act or omission: Mechanical/electrical failure/malfunction

OFC report had no comments about the fire.

JAG report said it was thought the fire started in the furnace room, no cause found.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: RTN 2014 04 16 22 01

Location of Incident: **2536 HARPER RANCH PINANTAN ROAD
THOMPSON-NICOLA REGIONAL DISTRICT BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): 1 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$750,000

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$680,000 Content Value: \$70,000 Total Value at Risk: \$750,000

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	5800 DEPARTMENT STORE, VARIETY STORE
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	5120 MARKET, GROCERY STORES - LESS THAN 1000M2 (10764 FT2)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	3000 501 TO 1000M2 (5383 - 10764FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	0009 OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION :	0009 INITIAL DETECTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	8000 NO FIRE SERVICE
INCIDENT :	1100 NO ALARM FIRE - NOT RESPONDED TO BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
ACTION TAKEN :	2000 BURNED OUT - NO EXTINGUISHMENT ATTEMPTED/NEEDED
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	8300 BURNED OUT, NO EXTINGUISHMENT - OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION AREA
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	1000 BASEMENT, SUB-BASEMENT
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	6200 HEATING EQUIPMENT ROOM - INCLUDES FURNACE ROOM, WATER HEATER
EXTENT OF FIRE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	2100 CENTRAL HEATING UNIT - INCLUDES FURNACE, BOILER, STOKER
FUEL OR ENERGY :	6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION :	4900 MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL FAILURE/MALFUNCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DE

Investigating Officer
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250-314-1800 2014-07-11

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: RTN 2014 04 16 22 01

Location of Incident:

2536 HARPER RANCH PINANTAN ROAD
THOMPSON-NICOLA REGIONAL DISTRICT BC

of Occupants (At time of fire): 1 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ s.21

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$ s.21 Content Value: \$ s.21 Total Value at Risk: \$ s.21

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 5800 DEPARTMENT STORE, VARIETY STORE
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 5120 MARKET, GROCERY STORES - LESS THAN 1000M2 (10764 FT2)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 3000 501 TO 1000M2 (5383 - 10764FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 0009 OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION : 0009 INITIAL DETECTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 8000 NO FIRE SERVICE
INCIDENT : 1100 NO ALARM FIRE - NOT RESPONDED TO BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
ACTION TAKEN : 2000 BURNED OUT - NO EXTINGUISHMENT ATTEMPTED/NEEDED
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 8300 BURNED OUT, NO EXTINGUISHMENT - OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION AREA
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 1000 BASEMENT, SUB-BASEMENT
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 6200 HEATING EQUIPMENT ROOM - INCLUDES FURNACE ROOM, WATER HEATER
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 2100 CENTRAL HEATING UNIT - INCLUDES FURNACE, BOILER, STOKER
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 4900 MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL FAILURE/MALFUNCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DE

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)INCIDENT NUMBER: **RTN 2014 04 16 22 01****Remarks:**

IT IS BELIEVED THE FIRE ORIGINATED IN THE FURNACE ROOM LOCATED BELOW THE RENTAL SUITE AT THE BACK OF THE STORE. INITIAL DETECTION - NEIGHBOURS AND TENANT IN LIVING AREA AT REAR OF STORE.

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Telephone
250-314-1800

ReportDate
2014-07-11

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

8306 192 St.

Surrey, BC

July 3, 2015

Incident no. CSY 2015 07 03 01 03

The fire dept completed the report within 3 days, but the OFC didn't have the report when I requested it 11 months after the fire.

JAG did not have the report until 18 months after the fire.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or omission: Mechanical/electrical failure/malfunction

Fire started in the garage at 1:30 am.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2015 07 03 01 03

Location of Incident:

8306 192 ST
SURREY BC

of Occupants (At time of fire): 4 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$22
Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$22 Content Value: \$22 Total Value at Risk: \$22

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 2005 2005
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 4700 VEHICLE STORAGE - INCLUDES GARAGE, CARPORT. (EXCLUDES OUTSID
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 4700 CARDBOARD - INCLUDES CARTON, BOX
ACT OR OMISSION : 4900 MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL FAILURE/MALFUNCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DE

Investigating Officer
SHEEL, DANIELLAFC Badge #
1810Telephone
604-543-6700Report Date
2015-07-06

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CSY 2015 07 03 01 03

Remarks:

FIRE STARTED IN GARAGE. FRONT OF VEHICLE BURN HEAVILY. POSSIBLE FIRE COULD HAVE STARTED IN THE VEHICLE.

Investigating Officer
SHEEL, DANIEL

LAFC Badge #
1810

Telephone
604-543-6700

ReportDate
2015-07-06

Summary of errors/omissions in reporting for incident:

256 45th Ave. W.

Vancouver, BC

Oct. 13, 2014

No incident No.

The homeowner reported smoking meter, arcing, melting. Called BC Hydro who replaced the meter and said "too much power had been drawn".

The victim took photos.

No report was filed with the OFC because there was no fire.

BCSA was not allowed to inspect the meter.

The victim was told the meter was being sent to PowerTech for testing.

Power Tech said it had not tested any smart meter.

BC Hydro said the meters that fail are sent directly to ITRON to be replaced under the warranty. No indication that any inspection is performed.

BC Hydro refused to provide any trouble report.



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From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca]
Sent: March 3, 2015 10:11 AM
To: FOI Officer Scott MacDonald (scott.macdonald@bchydro.com)
Subject: FOI BC Hydro Report 201-20-2015-134

Dear Mr. MacDonald,

Based upon your recent email I am amending my FOI request. I am requesting all records that pertain to the failure of the electrical equipment, including any report by an electrician/linesman. I am not asking for any information that is of a personal nature relating to the owner, M. Xia.

Thank you.
Sharon Noble

From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [<mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca>]
Sent: February 6, 2015 9:22 AM
To: FOI Officer Scott MacDonald (scott.macdonald@bchydro.com)
Subject: FOI BC Hydro Report

Dear Mr. MacDonald.

Under the Freedom of Information Act I am requesting all the records for the following incident:

Date: Oct. 13, 2014
Address: 256 45th Ave W., Vancouver, BC
Owner: M. Xia

Thank you.

Regards,
Sharon Noble



FOR GENERATIONS

Scott Macdonald
Manager, Freedom of Information and Privacy
16th Floor
Phone: (604) 623-3880
Fax: (604) 623-4556

Request Number: 201.20.2015-134 (256 West 45th Avenue, Vancouver)

03 March 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC
V9C 3V5

Dear Ms. Noble:

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ('the Act')
— Request for records

I am writing in response to your request for records under the Act.

Section 22 of the Act, prohibits BC Hydro from disclosing the personal information of an individual to a third party if the disclosure of that information would be an unreasonable invasion of the individual's personal privacy. In view of section 22, we are not permitted to provide you with information related to an account that was not in your name.

If you have any questions regarding our response to your request for records, please call me. You may also ask the Office of Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC ('the OIPC') to review our response to your request. You have 30 days from the receipt of this letter to request a review by writing to:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria, B.C.
V8V 3K3

If you request a review, please provide the OIPC with a copy of this letter and a copy of your request.

Yours truly,



Scott Macdonald



Summary of errors/omissions of reporting fire/incident

3595 Triumph St.

Vancouver, BC

Nov. 2014

Meter burned, overheated, smoked

BC Hydro exchanged the meter and didn't allow the BCSA to inspect. Neither did BC Hydro inspect it. P

Photo was taken by victim and was included in the initial complaint filed with BCUC
June 2015



Summary of errors/omissions of reporting fire/incident

3595 Triumph St.

Vancouver, BC

Nov. 2014

Meter burned, overheated, smoked.

BC Hydro exchanged the meter and didn't allow the BCSA to inspect. Neither did BC Hydro inspect.

Photo included in the initial complaint filed with BCUC June 2015.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting of fire/incident

1868 W. 15th

Vancouver, BC

April 14, 2015

Meter overheated, smoked. Victim called fire department and BC Hydro attended. No report to OFC I assume because the damage was not considered sufficient.

Victim provided photo of burned back of meter.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

1598 SE Marine Drive SE

Vancouver, BC

Jan. 12, 2013

Incident no. CVA 2013 01 12 02 02

Fire dept completed the report 6 weeks after the fire.

OFC had the report within 6 months when the request was made, but JAG did not have it for 8 months.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Cannot be determined

Form of heat: Cannot be determined

Act or omission: Cannot be determined.

OFC had no comments or details re. fire.

JAG found evidence of fire at the electrical panel with signs of arcing leading to possible short circuit.

Smart meter was removed from the scene before inspection was done.

No forensic inspection at the scene or of the meter was done.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CVA 2013 01 12 02 02

Location of Incident: **1598 SE MARINE DR SE
VANCOUVER BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **1** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$30,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$2,370,100** Content Value: **\$0** Total Value at Risk: **\$2,370,100**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 0009 BUILDING/STRUCTURE UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 7910 WAREHOUSE - GENERALLY FOR A WIDE VARIETY OF TYPES OF ITEMS
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 1000 COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - OPEN WOOD JOIST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0020 2 STORIES ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 3000 501 TO 1000M2 (5383 - 10764FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0021 1921 TO 1945
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
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FUEL OR ENERGY : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FORM OF HEAT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
GILL, DAVID

Telephone ReportDate
604-665-6078 2013-02-26

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CVA 2013 01 12 02 02

Location of Incident: **1598 SE MARINE DR SE
VANCOUVER BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **1** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate **s.22**
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Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
GILL, DAVID

Telephone ReportDate
604-665-6078 2013-02-26

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CVA 2013 01 12 02 02

Remarks:

CAR 73 TO 1598 SOUTH EAST MARINE DRIVE. BC GABRIEL, R. ON SCENE AND IN COMMAND. STRUCTURE FIRE IN A 2 STOREY, WOOD FRAMED, COMMERCIAL BUILDING. A COMMERCIAL TENANT OF THE BUILDING, s.22, WAS ON SCENE AND STATED THAT s.2 WAS SLEEPING IN THE BUILDING WHEN s.2 AWOKES TO THE SMELL OF SMOKE. s. LOOKED AROUND AND SAW SMOKE COMING FROM THE WALL, s. ATTEMPTED TO EXPOSE AND EXTINGUISH THE FIRE WITH A GARDEN HOSE, THEN CALLED 911. ENGINE 17 ARRIVED TO FIND SMOKE COMING FROM THE BUILDING. THEY ENTERED AND FOUND SMOKE AND FIRE COMING FROM A HOLE IN THE WALL LOCATED BY A SMALL SET OF STAIRS. INVESTIGATED AND FOUND HEAVY CHARRING IN A WALL CAVITY THAT EXTENDS FROM THE TOP OF A CONCRETE FOOTING TO THE ATTIC SPACE. AREA OF ORIGIN APPEARS TO BE IN THIS STUD CAVITY, NEAR A SET OF STAIRS, NEAR THE TOP OF THE CONCRETE FOOTING. THE FIRE IS UNDETERMINED AT THIS TIME. FOUND EVIDENCE OF ARCING ON THE ELECTRICAL BOX, AND BURNT WIRES IN THE AREA THAT SUGGEST A POSSIBLE ELECTRICAL SHORT. MODERATE FIRE DAMAGE TO THE STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS OF THE BUILDING. MODERATE OVERHAUL DAMAGE TO THE WALLS AND ROOF AREA. MODERATE DAMAGE TO THE BATHROOM ON THE ADJACENT WALL. FIRE, SMOKE, WATER AND OVERHAUL DAMAGE TO THE POOL TABLE REPAIR SHOP LOCATED ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WALL, WHERE THE FIRE ORIGINATED. LEFT SCENE IN CARE WITH OWNER OF THE BUILDING

Investigating Officer
GILL, DAVID

LAFC Badge #

Telephone
604-665-6078

ReportDate
2013-02-26



Request to Access Information

Personal information on this form is collected under British Columbia's *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and will be used to respond to your request. See instructions for completing this form.

About you	Title (optional)	Last Name Noble	First Name Sharon	
	Name of Company or Organization (if applicable)			
	Mailing Address 818 Bexhill Place	Street	City/Town/Village Victoria	Province BC
	Postal Code V9C 3V5			
	Telephone Number (daytime) (250-478-7892	Telephone Number (evening) (25904)8-7892	Fax Number ()	
E-mail Address dsnoble@shaw.ca				

About your request

1. What kind of information do you want to access?

- ☒ General information
☐ Your own personal information

2. To which public body are you making your request?

The City of Vancouver

3. Do you want to: ☒ receive a copy of the record? OR ☐ examine the record?

About the information you want to access

1. What records do you want to access? Please give as much detail as possible. (If you want access to your own personal information, be sure to give all your previous names. For another person's information, you must attach proof that you can legally act for that person.)

I am requesting a copy of the electrical inspection report, if one exists, that pertains to the fire that occurred on Jan. 12, 2013 at 1598 SE Marine Dr. SE.

2. What is the time period of the records? Please give specific dates. (See instructions for details.)

January 12, 2013

Your signature	Signature 	Date Sept 28 / 16
	Clear form Print form Send your request	

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Date Received	Request Number
	Comments

File No. 04-1000-20-2016-368

October 21, 2016

Sharon Noble
By email: dsnoble@shaw.ca

Dear Sharon:

Re: Request for Access to Records under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the "Act")

I am responding to your request of September 28, 2016 for:

The electrical inspection report that pertains to the fire that occurred on January 12, 2013 at 1598 SE Marine Dr.

All responsive records are attached.

Under section 52 of the Act you may ask the Information & Privacy Commissioner to review any matter related to the City's response to your request. The Act allows you 30 business days from the date you receive this notice to request a review by writing to: Office of the Information & Privacy Commissioner, info@oipc.bc.ca or by phoning 250-387-5629.

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with: 1) the request number assigned to your request (#04-1000-20-2016-368); 2) a copy of this letter; 3) a copy of your original request for information sent to the City of Vancouver; and 4) detailed reasons or grounds on which you are seeking the review.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Freedom of Information Office at foi@vancouver.ca if you have any questions.

Yours truly,



Barbara J. Van Fraassen, BA
Director, Access to Information
City Clerk's Department, City of Vancouver

Encl.

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Co-ordinated Inspection Report (Electrical)

IR Number CE 10576 EN Number

Date of Inspection (yyyy/mm/dd) 2013/01/17

Main Address 1598 SE Marine Dr.

Specifics and/or Suite # Units 10, 11, 12, South
basement unit under 12.

Secondary Address

Tenant Many

Number of Storeys

Owner Northwern Building Supply.
Gordie Thomas (604-321-6141)

Permit Number

Contractor

Approved Use of Building/Land

Contractor's Business License Account

Present Use of Building/Land

Reason for Inspection

☐ Enforcement☐ Final Inspection☐ Special Inspection☐ Community Care☐ Strata Titling☐ Other

Inspection Carried Out With:

Building Mike Collister

Fire

Plbg/Gas

Police

Electrical Bryan joyce

Health

Environmental Protection

Prop. Use

Narrative/Observations

Electrical

1. A fire had taken place between the wall of unit 12 and the unit under unit 12. They disconnected the area from a main breaker switch located in the electrical room. All wiring and fittings damaged by fire or water <in the building containing units 10,11,12 and unit under unit12> are to be removed and replaced. (CEC Rule 2-300, By-law 5563, Section 6.4)
2. All wiring in the <building> which has previously been covered without electrical inspection authorization, must be checked, and tested by a certified electrical contractor, who must confirm in writing that the installation is safe for use. (City of Vancouver Electrical By-law 5563, Sections 6.6 and 6.9)
3. Fill in the electrical panel directory to show which part of the installation is controlled by each circuit breaker or fuse. (CEC Rule 2-100(2)(3))

Number of Violations - 3

Requirements

1. Take out a electrical permit to re-establish power to the building affected by the fire.
Based on the field review building permit.
2. Take out a second electrical permit to complete the repair based on the building permits.

Recommendations

IR Number CE 10576

EN Number

Date of Inspection (yyyy/mm/dd) 2013/01/17

Send a 30 day letter.

Photos Taken? ☐ Yes ☐ Digital ☒ No Notice Posted? ☐ Yes ☐ No Type of Notice?
☐ Regular

Date Report Made: January 18, 2013

<Bryan Joyce>

Inspector's Name

For Manager or Assistant Manager Use OnlyFile: ☐ Approval / Use ☒ Enforcement ☐ Project / Permit

FYA to: Catherine Wong for combined letter/order (see bldg.)

FYI to:

L. Urekar

Manager / Supervisor



IR Number	BI 40838	EN Number	EN	Date of Inspection (yyyy/mm/dd)	2013/01/23
Main Address	1528 SE Marine Dr.			Specifics and/or Suite #	Units 10 & 11
Secondary Address					
Tenant				Number of Storeys	
Owner	JBERT PROPERTIES INC			Permit Number	None
Contractor	None			Approved Use of Building/Land	Manufacturing
Contractor's Business License Account				Present Use of Building/Land	

Reason for Inspection	Reinspection of above noted address to determine whether any work without permit has been done in units 10 & 11 and to determine whether these two units are being used in compliance with the approved use of these spaces. A prior inspection was done to investigate damages done by fire in unit 12. See CB10825.
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Narrative/Observations

This is a 2 storey plus basement building of combustible construction facing one street.
There is no fire alarm system or sprinkler system.
There are no rated fire separation between the basement and the ground floor.

This inspection was limited to units 10 and 11.

Unit number 10 appears to be being used in compliance with the requirements of this zone. It is being used as a scooter repair shop on the ground floor and billiards equipment storage in the basement. There is no rated horizontal fire separation between the ground floor and the basement

Unit number 11 is being occupied as two dwelling units. The first dwelling unit is on the ground and second levels. The additional living space is in the basement.

No spaces on this property have been approved for use as residential dwelling units.

The upper dwelling unit has laundry, kitchen and bathroom facilities. There is a bed leaning up against the wall and there are numerous articles of clothing.

The dwelling unit in the basement consists of one room approximately 8'x15'.
There is a refrigerator, kitchen table, and dressers with clothing inside of them.
The remainder of the basement appears to be used for miscellaneous storage.

There are no smoke alarms in either space.
Widths of access to exits in both spaces are reduced by miscellaneous clutter.

Requirements

Owner to remove unauthorized dwelling units in units 10 and 11 and return to manufacturing use.
Owner to obtain a building permit to install a 45 minute horizontal fire separation between basement and ground floor throughout this building as per 9.10.9. of the VBL.
Owner to reduce clutter in basement of unit 11 to facilitate required access to exit of 900 mm.

Recommendations

Send owner 30 day letter.
Note requirements of this report should be combined with IR#CB10825

IR Number BI 40838 EN Number EN

Date of Inspection (yyyy/mm/dd) 2013/01/23

Photos Taken? ☒ Yes ☒ Digital ☐ No Notice Posted? ☐ Yes ☒ No Type of Notice?
☐ Regular

Date Report Made: January 29, 2013

Mike Collister
Inspector's Name

For Manager or Assistant Manager Use OnlyFile: ☐ Approval / Use ☒ Enforcement ☐ Project / Permit

FYA to: Catherine Wong

FYI to:

L.Urekar

Manager / Supervisor

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

3052 Capostinsky Rd.

Vavenby, BC

Sept. 13, 2014

Incident no. NVV 2014 09 13 04 01

Fire dept. did not complete the report for 3 months after the fire, and until after I requested it.

The report was not available from JAG until 6 months after the OFC obtained it, and not until 6 weeks after I requested it.

Igniting object: Permanent electric wiring

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or omission: Cannot be determined

The BC Safety Authority did not inspect the fire even though it was electrical.

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **NVV 2014 09 13 04 01**

Location of Incident: **3052 CAPOSTINSKY RD
VAVENBY BC V0E3A0**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **0** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$470,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$0** Content Value: **\$0** Total Value at Risk: **\$0**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 0009 GENERAL CONSTRUCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
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INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
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METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4900 FIRE DEPARTMENT - WATER APPLICATION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1400 LOUNGE, LIVING ROOM - INCLUDES MUSIC ROOM, COMMON ROOM, TV R
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 1000 CONFINED TO OBJECT OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5110 PERMANENT ELECTRIC WIRING, CABLE (ALUMINUM)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
MEYER, CST. JAY 57671

Telephone ReportDate
250-674-2237 2014-12-04

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

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VAVENBY BC V0E3A0**

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OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 0000 ALARM OPERATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 2000 VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4900 FIRE DEPARTMENT - WATER APPLICATION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1400 LOUNGE, LIVING ROOM - INCLUDES MUSIC ROOM, COMMON ROOM, TV R
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 1000 CONFINED TO OBJECT OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5110 PERMANENT ELECTRIC WIRING, CABLE (ALUMINUM)
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
ACT OR OMISSION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
MEYER, CST. JAY 57671

Telephone ReportDate
250-674-2237 2014-12-04

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: NVV 2014 09 13 04 01

Remarks:

ADVISED OF RESIDENTIAL FIRE BY A CANFOR EMPLOYEE, CONFIRMED NO ONE IN RESIDENCE. NEIGHBOURS ADVISED THAT OWNER/SON AWAY CAMPING FOR THE WEEKEND. VAVENBY FIRE DEPT, AMBULANCE, BC HYDRO, POLICE ON SCENE. POLICE SPOKE WITH FIRE CHIEF THOUGHT MAY HAVE BEEN AN ELECTIRCAL FIRE THAT STARTED IN THE LIVING ROOM. INSURANCE FIRE INVESTIGATOR ATTENDED. FIRE DID NOT SPREAD TO OUTBUILDINGS. OLD HOME WITH SAWDUST INSULATION IN WALLS.

Investigating Officer
MEYER, CST. JAY

LAFC Badge #
57671

Telephone
250-674-2237

ReportDate
2014-12-04

From: Simpson, Farrah JAG:EX [mailto:Farrah.Simpson@gov.bc.ca]

Sent: December 3, 2014 11:28 AM

To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble' <dsnoble@shaw.ca>

Subject: RE: Fire report request #13

Good Morning Sharon,

I have attached a one page printout of the following Fire Incident Report which outlines the circumstances surrounding the fire incident. This material provides you with a summary of the incidents noted below and is in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*:

13.1) CNE 2014 07 16 01 01

13.2) DNC 2013 11 01 02 01

13.3) CSY 2014 08 24 02 05

(please note, all of the above reports are included in one adobe pdf)

The following reports are not available on the Fire Reporting System at this time. I are following up with the fire departments to confirm attendance and investigation. Your request is on file and we will issue out the report to you as soon as it is submitted to our office:

13.4) Capostinsky Rd, Vavenby BC

13.5) 2979 Austin Ave, Saanich BC

I hope this will be of assistance to you, have a great day!



April 9, 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble

**Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2015-83**

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 8, 2015.

According to your application, you requested **all records on the incident at 3052 Capostinsky Road, Vavenby, BC. on Sept. 13, 2014.**

Please be advised that we have no records related to your request in our possession.

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,

S Robertson for

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Records, Information and Privacy Analyst
British Columbia Safety Authority



British Columbia Safety Authority

200 - 505 Sixth Street New Westminster BC V3L 0E1 T 778.396.2000 1.866.566.7233 F 778.396.2064 www.safetyauthority.ca
FRM-1275-02

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

105 – 2200 53rd Ave.

Vernon

Aug. 13, 2013

Incident no. CVE 2013 08 13 05 02

The fire department did not complete the report for 5 months and would not have been included in the OFC annual report.

JAG did not have the report until 6 weeks after I received the report from the OFC.

BCSA did inspection 9 days after the fire and the meter had been removed.

Igniting object: Exposure (the next door home)

Remarks: "This was an exposure fire caused by fire spreading from the neighbouring house which caught fire due to an electrical fault."

At 5:00 am there was an arcing in the meter base. "Due to the amount of damage the cause of the failure and the resulting arc flash was not determined."

In media video, Officer Skolrood, said BC Hydro had taken the meter to its lab to be inspected.

"Did an electricity smart meter start a fire that destroyed two Vernon homes? The device is being laboratory tested to try to find out."

<http://globalnews.ca/video/825052/smart-meter-sparks-fire>

BC Hydro denied it had taken the meter to its lab. Powertech confirmed it had not received the smart meter.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CVE 2013 08 13 05 02

Location of Incident: **105 - 2200 53RD AVE
VERNON BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **2** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$531,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$330,000** Content Value: **\$201,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$531,000**

Code Name : **Code Description**

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 2005 2005
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
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SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 6000 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - UNSUITABLE LOCATION
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TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
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INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 7600 EXTERIOR WALL
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 8200 EXPOSURE, STRUCTURE DETACHED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 8000 EXPOSURE FIRE
FORM OF HEAT : 4000 DIRECT FLAME
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
SKOLROOD, LAWRIE 735

Telephone ReportDate
250-550-3563 2014-01-20

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CVE 2013 08 13 05 02 *

Location of Incident: **105 - 2200 53RD AVE
VERNON BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **2** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ **s.22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: \$ **s.22** Content Value: \$ **s.22** Total Value at Risk: **s.22**

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: **CVE 2013 08 13 05 02**

Remarks:

THIS WAS AN EXPOSURE FIRE CAUSED BY FIRE SPREADING FROM THE NEIGHBORING HOUSE WHICH CAUGHT FIRE DUE TO AN ELECTRICAL FAULT.

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505 - 6th Street, Suite 200
New Westminster, BC V3L 0E1

Toll Free: 1-866-566-SAFE
Fax: (778) 396 - 2064
www.safetyauthority.ca

Incident Report

File Number: 5467390
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: IAN HOWELLS
Type of Premises: Single Family Residential

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2013/08/13
Incident Time: 05:04
Investigation Date: 2013/08/22

Incident Location: 2200 53rd Avenue
Area: VERNON E OF 27TH ST/ HWY 97N

Executive Summary:

On August 13 2013 at 05:04 hours there was a fire in a single family dwelling at unit # 105 2200 53rd Ave. Vernon B.C. There were no reported injuries. The fire completely destroyed the dwelling and the dwelling next to it. The cause of this fire was an electrical fault in the meter base that caused an arc flash.

Full Description of Incident:

On August 13 2013 at 05:04 hours there was a fire in a single family dwelling at unit # 105 2200 53rd Ave. Vernon B.C. There were no reported injuries. The fire completely destroyed the dwelling and the dwelling next to it. The cause of this fire was an electrical fault in the meter base that caused an arc flash.

An arc-flash occurred in the meterbase of the residence located at 105 - 2200 53rd Ave Vernon. The ensuing fire completely destroyed the residence, and the adjacent residence # 106

The fire crossed a four foot walkway to # 106 and in the process, melted the gas meters located in the walkway, which added to the fire. Due to the amount of damage the cause of the arc flash was not determined.

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

The damage from this fire was the complete loss of two single dwellings, and their contents. There were no reported injuries.

Incident Severity: Level 2 Equipment Damage: Total Loss Property Damage: Extensive

People Involved:

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

Cause Summary:

The cause of this fire was an electrical failure in the meter base for this dwelling. Due to the amount of damage, the cause of this failure and the resulting arc flash was not determined



FOR GENERATIONS

Scott Macdonald
Manager, Freedom of Information and Privacy
16th Floor
Phone: (604) 623-3880
Fax: (604) 623-4556

Request Number: 201.20.2015-110 (Fire Report, Vernon Homes)

28 January 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC
V9C 3V5

Dear Ms. Noble:

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ('the Act')
— Request for records

I am writing in response to the above-noted request for records under the Act.

BC Hydro did not remove meters from the incident site identified in your request. Consequently, BC Hydro did not ask any 'lab' to conduct analysis or tests regarding the meters involved and we have no records/reports responsive to your request.

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Yours truly,

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We received your request for records, under the Act, on 15 December 2014.

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Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

106 – 2200 53rd Rd. Ave

Vernon, BC

Aug. 13, 2013

Incident no. CVE 2013 08 13 05 01

The fire department did not complete the report for 5 months and would not have been included in the OFC annual report.

JAG did not have the report until 6 weeks after I received the report from the OFC.

Igniting object: Permanent electric wiring

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or omission: Electrical short circuit

Remarks in JAG report: "Due to the amount of damage, the cause of this failure and the resulting arc flash was not determined."

BCSA inspection took place 9 days after the fire, and the meter had been removed.

In media video, Officer Skolrood, said BC Hydro had taken the meter to its lab to be inspected.

"Did an electricity smart meter start a fire that destroyed two Vernon homes? The device is being laboratory tested to try to find out."

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CVE 2013 08 13 05 01**

Location of Incident: **106 - 2200 53 RD AVE
VERNON BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **1** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$680,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$460,000** Content Value: **\$2,200,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$2,660,000**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	2005 2005
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	6000 ALARM NOT ACTIVATED - UNSUITABLE LOCATION
INITIAL DETECTION :	7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT :	1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	7600 EXTERIOR WALL
EXTENT OF FIRE :	6000 EXTENDED BEYOND PROPERTY OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	6000 EXTENDED BEYOND BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	5100 PERMANENT ELECTRIC WIRING, CABLE (NON-ALUMINUM) - INCLUDES P
FUEL OR ENERGY :	6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT :	2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	3000 EXTERIOR WALL COVERING, SURFACE, FINISH - INCLUDES EAVE
ACT OR OMISSION :	4400 ELECTRICAL SHORT CIRCUIT

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE**INCIDENT NUMBER: **CVE 2013 08 13 05 01**

Location of Incident: **106 - 2200 53 RD AVE
VERNON BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **1** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **s.22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **s.22** Content Value: **s.22** Total Value at Risk: **s.22**

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: **CVE 2013 08 13 05 01**

Remarks:

THE CAUSE OF THIS FIRE WAS AN ELECTRICAL FAILURE IN THE METER BASE FOR THIS DWELLING. DUE TO THE AMOUNT OF DAMAGE, THE CAUSE OF THIS FAILURE AND THE RESULTING ARC FLASH WAS NOT DETERMINED

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Incident Report

File Number: 5467390
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: IAN HOWELLS
Type of Premises: Single Family Residential

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2013/08/13
Incident Time: 05:04
Investigation Date: 2013/08/22

Incident Location: 2200 53rd Avenue
Area: VERNON E OF 27TH ST/ HWY 97N

Executive Summary:

On August 13 2013 at 05:04 hours there was a fire in a single family dwelling at unit # 105 2200 53rd Ave. Vernon B.C. There were no reported injuries. The fire completely destroyed the dwelling and the dwelling next to it. The cause of this fire was an electrical fault in the meter base that caused an arc flash.

Full Description of Incident:

On August 13 2013 at 05:04 hours there was a fire in a single family dwelling at unit # 105 2200 53rd Ave. Vernon B.C. There were no reported injuries. The fire completely destroyed the dwelling and the dwelling next to it. The cause of this fire was an electrical fault in the meter base that caused an arc flash.

An arc-flash occurred in the meterbase of the residence located at 105 - 2200 53rd Ave Vernon. The ensuing fire completely destroyed the residence, and the adjacent residence # 106

The fire crossed a four foot walkway to # 106 and in the process, melted the gas meters located in the walkway, which added to the fire. Due to the amount of damage the cause of the arc flash was not determined.

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

The damage from this fire was the complete loss of two single dwellings, and their contents. There were no reported injuries.

Incident Severity: Level 2 Equipment Damage: Total Loss Property Damage: Extensive

People Involved:

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

Cause Summary:

The cause of this fire was an electrical failure in the meter base for this dwelling. Due to the amount of damage, the cause of this failure and the resulting arc flash was not determined

Pictures from fire at 2250 – 53rd Ave Vernon



Pictures are left to right – top to bottom

- 1) Walkway between houses 2) Service cable entrance (ACWU)
- 3) Micro-Electric Meterbase showing arc-flash damage 4) Service entrance conductor in meterbase
- 5) Gas Line entrance into residence 6) Meterbase (only the neutral connection is left)
- 7) More arc-flash damage at the meterbase 8) Neutral Connection 9) More arc-flash damage

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "Farrah JAG 'Simpson:EX'" <Farrah.Simpson@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Saturday, June 20, 2015 8:11:16 AM
Subject: FOI Request JAG-2015-00101

Hello, Farrah,

Can you please tell me if the insurance report for incident CVE 2013 08 13 05 01 has been received yet? If it has I will submit an FOI for it to the appropriate department.

Thank you very much,

Regards,

Sharon

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "Farrah JAG 'Simpson:EX'" <Farrah.Simpson@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2015 12:19:56 PM
Subject: FOI Request JAG-2015-00101

Good afternoon, Farrah,

Can you please tell me if the insurance report has been received for this fire? If so, I will request it from the other department?

Thank you and best regards,

Sharon Noble

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "Farrah JAG 'Simpson:EX'" <Farrah.Simpson@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, April 7, 2015 5:06:48 PM
Subject: FOI Request JAG-2015-00101

Hi, Farrah,

Thank you so much for this. I do appreciate your help.

I will follow up via an FOI in June.

Best regards,

Sharon Noble

From: Simpson, Farrah JAG:EX [<mailto:Farrah.Simpson@gov.bc.ca>]

Sent: April 7, 2015 3:31 PM

To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble'

Subject: FOI Request JAG-2015-00101

Good Afternoon Ms. Noble,

Thank-you for bringing to our attention that the Insurance Report was not filed with us by the Insurance Company listed on the Fire Report for Incident # CVE 2013 08 13 05 01.

As per our process, I have followed up accordingly and requested for the submission of their Insurance Report. Please feel free to check-in via FOI request for the above noted insurance report in a couple months' time as I cannot send out this information.

Thank-you,

From: Smart Meters [mailto:SmartMeters@bchydro.com]
Sent: February 13, 2015 9:52 AM
To: 'dsnoble@shaw.ca'
Subject: BC Hydro Smart Metering Program

Dear Ms. Noble,

BC Hydro acknowledges your February 8, 2015 email regarding a September 2013 fire in Vernon, B.C.

BC Hydro has reviewed the Global News report and, as previously communicated, BC Hydro did not recover a meter from this property following this incident and send it to a laboratory for testing.

BC Hydro has no further information about this incident.

In event of a fire BC Hydro cooperates with the authorities responsible for fire investigations as necessary, but is not responsible for leading these investigations. Please contact the Vernon Fire department with any further enquiries regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Fay

From: Smart Meters [mailto:SmartMeters@bchydro.com]
Sent: January 27, 2015 2:09 PM
To: 'dsnoble@shaw.ca'
Subject: BC Hydro Smart Metering Program

Dear Ms. Noble,

BC Hydro acknowledges your December 18, 2014 regarding laboratories used by BC Hydro to investigate failed meters.

BC Hydro's smart meters are currently under warranty. On the rare occasion that a meter fails, BC Hydro sends the meter back to the manufacturer, Itron, and they are replaced free-of-charge. BC Hydro's smart meters are under warranty for 66 months from the date they leave the Itron factory.

Fires in British Columbia are investigated by the appropriate authorities and BC Hydro fully cooperates with these investigations as required. To date, no fire in B.C. has been attributed to BC Hydro's new meters.

In the event of a fire, if an electricity meter is not located near the area affected by the fire, BC

Hydro may remove the meter for future use. In the event that a fire occurs in proximity to an electricity meter, the area would be secured by the fire inspector and BC Hydro would cooperate with their investigation fully.

Sincerely,

Fay

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "Smart Meters" <SmartMeters@bchydro.com>
Sent: Monday, December 1, 2014 7:44:42 PM
Subject: BC Hydro Smart Metering Program

Dear Fay,

Thank you for responding to my request. Could you please tell me then what laboratory does test smart meters? In several incidents BC Hydro has removed failed smart meters, telling inspectors that they were being sent to their laboratory to determine the reason for the failure.

All the best –

Sharon

From: Smart Meters [mailto:SmartMeters@bchydro.com]
Sent: December 1, 2014 10:22 AM
To: 'dsnoble@shaw.ca'
Subject: BC Hydro Smart Metering Program

Dear Ms. Noble,

BC Hydro acknowledges your November 4, 2014 email regarding the Smart Metering Program.

Powertech is a wholly owned subsidiary of BC Hydro. It is a multidisciplinary testing, research and development facility that supports the power utility industry, equipment manufactures and other industries such as automotive.

Powertech has not had a role in testing or investigating anything related to smart meters other than their telecom performance.

Warm regards,

Fay

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

2810 33rd St.

Vernon, BC

Jan. 13, 2013

Incident no. CVE 2013 01 13 12 01

Fire dept. completed the report 3 months after the fire.

Igniting object: Permanent electric wiring

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or omission: Electrical short circuit

Remarks: short in meter base ignited wood components of interior wall next to it.

BCSA: short caused by water leakage.

On BC Hydro incident report. Smart meter installed Oct. 2012. The only comments were that there was a "small kitchen fire of restaurant during which a 3 phase meter socket was destroyed."

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: CVE 2013 01 13 12 01

Location of Incident: **2810 33RD - ST.
VERNON BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **3** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ **s.21**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: \$ **s.21** Content Value: \$ **s.21** Total Value at Risk: \$ **s.21**

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 1700 FOOD OR BEVERAGE ESTABLISHMENT
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 1710 RESTAURANT - INCLUDES EATING PLACES SPECIALIZING IN FOOD PRI
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0066 1966 TO 1968
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 4000 EXTINGUISHER ONLY
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION : 7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE : 1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION : 9900 NO SMOKE ALARM INSTALLED
INITIAL DETECTION : 7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4200 38MM OR 42MM (1 1/2" OR 1 3/4") HOSE - 1 HAND LINE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 2300 DINING AREA - INCLUDES MESS ROOM, CANTEEN, LUNCHROOM, CAFETE
EXTENT OF FIRE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 2000 CONFINED TO PART OF ROOM/AREA OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 5100 PERMANENT ELECTRIC WIRING, CABLE (NON-ALUMINUM) - INCLUDES P
FUEL OR ENERGY : 6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT : 2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 9000 BUILDING COMPONENT - WALL. (EXCLUDES EXTERIOR WALL CLASSIFIE
ACT OR OMISSION : 4400 ELECTRICAL SHORT CIRCUIT

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
SKOLROOD, LAWRIE 735

Telephone ReportDate
250-550-3563 2013-04-09

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Emergency Management BC / Office of the Fire Commissioner

FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: CVE 2013 01 13 12 01

Remarks:

SHORT IN METER BASE IGNITED WOOD COMPONENTS OF INTERIOR WALL NEXT TO IT.

Investigating Officer	LAFC Badge #	Telephone	ReportDate
SKOLROOD, LAWRIE	735	250-550-3563	2013-04-09



505 - 6th Street, Suite 200
New Westminster, BC V3L 0E1

Toll Free: 1-866-566-SAFE
Fax: (778) 396 - 2064
www.safetyauthority.ca

Incident Report

File Number: 5370012
Technology: Electrical
Safety Officer: IAN HOWELLS
Type of Premises: Commercial

Status: File Closed
Incident Date: 2013/01/14
Incident Time: 11:53
Investigation Date: 2013/01/15

Incident Location: 2810 33rd Street
Area: VERNON W OF 27TH ST/ S OF 48TH AVE

Executive Summary:

On January 14 2013, at 2810 33rd Street, Vernon B.C. at 13:30 hours, there was an electrical fire in the service equipment at Rosalinda's Family Restaurant. There were no reported injuries. The electrical fire destroyed a B.C. Hydro meter and the incoming electrical services to the meter. An adjacent 240 volt service was also damaged, and both services have been disconnected by BC Hydro. The fire was caused water leaking into the service conduit which caused a short circuit.

Full Description of Incident:

On January 14 2013, at 2810 33rd Street, Vernon B.C., at 13:30 hours, there was an electrical fire in the service equipment at Rosalinda's Family Restaurant. There were no reported injuries. The electrical fire destroyed a B.C. Hydro meter and the incoming electrical services to the meter. An adjacent 100 amp 240 volt service was also damaged, both services have been disconnected by BC Hydro. The fire was caused by water leaking into the service conduit which caused a short circuit.

There were two services in the building. One 100 amp 240 V single phase and the other a 60 amp 208 volt three phase. The only load connected to the three phase system was a commercial dough mixer which was not connected at the time of the incident. Both service meter bases were located inside the restaurant, on an outside wall behind the service counter. A short circuit from water leaking into the service conduit, at the entrance to the meter base occurred causing the incident.

Summary of Damages, Injuries, Fatalities:

A 60 amp 208 volt service conduit, conductors and meter base were totally destroyed. An adjacent 100 amp 240 volt service was damaged, both services have been disconnected by BC Hydro. There were no reported injuries due to this incident.

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

People Involved:

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

Cause Summary:

Water leaking into the service conduit of the 60 amp 208 volt three phase service ran into the meter base and caused a short circuit.



FOR GENERATIONS

Scott Macdonald
Manager, Freedom of Information and Privacy
16th Floor
Phone: (604) 623-3880
Fax: (604) 623-4556

Request Number: 201.20.2015-112

08 April 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC
V9C 3V5

Dear Ms. Noble:

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ('the Act')
— Request for records

I am writing in response to the above-noted request for records under the Act.

Your request consisted of four questions.

Each of your elements of your request is addressed, below, in the order it appeared in your request.

- 1) Pg. 1, number 15, date __ July 2012, Location Coquitlam, Post Install, "Smart meter installed on __ July 2012. Preliminary investigation indicates excessive consumption load overheated socket and created fire. Investigation ongoing."**

Under section 22 of the Act, BC Hydro must not disclose to the requester the personal information of a third party if the disclosure of that information would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy. In view of section 22, we have withheld one page responsive to this portion of your request.

- 2) Pg. 2, number 23, date __ Nov. 2012, Location Ladysmith, Post install, " Trouble order on __ November 2012 reports a house fire. Fire Department called the fire in. Crew comments are that house and meter destroyed by the time the PLT arrived. (Like disconnected at pole here due to severity of the fire.) Crew comments do not specify a cause of the fire. Meter installed __ Jan. 2012."**

Under section 22 of the Act, BC Hydro must not disclose to the requester the personal information of a third party if the disclosure of that information would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy. In view of section 22, we have withheld two pages responsive to this portion of your request.

- 3) Pg. 2, number 24, date __ Dec. 2012, Location Abbotsford, Sustainment, "**Abbotsford Fire Department reported an incident where a homeowner claimed his newly installed smart meter was smoking and proceeded to get his camera to take a picture of it. Supposedly, while taking the picture, the smart meter shot off the wall – this has not been verified, there is no photo, and there is no further information. Smart meter installed March __ 2012.**"

Under section 22 of the Act, BC Hydro must not disclose to the requester the personal information of a third party if the disclosure of that information would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy. In view of section 22, we have withheld four pages responsive to this portion of your request.

- 4) Pg. 2, Number 25m date __ Jan. 2013, Location Vernon, Sustainment, "**Small fire in kitchen of Restaurant during in which a 3-phase meter socket was destroyed. Smart meter installed Oct. __ 2012.**"

Please see the attached records.

If you have any questions regarding our response to your request for records, please call me. You may also ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC ('the OIPC') to review our response to your request by writing to the following address within 30 days of receipt of this letter:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria, B.C.
V8V 3K3

If you request a review, please provide the OIPC with a copy of this letter and a copy of your request.

Yours truly,



Scott Macdonald

Attachments

Chow, Bradley

From: Bishop, Brad
Sent: 2013, January 15 10:08 AM
To: Taylor, Fiona; Deyagher, David
Cc: Sarroca, Aida Marie; Saroop, Sajeeta; Lau, Wilson (Wilson.Lau@bchydro.com); Mounsey, Darrell
Subject: FW: Media call re. smart meter fire Vernon
Attachments: SP1247846.xlsx

This address has 2 meters one single phase and one 3 phase. Both meters have low load (please see below). From the picture in the article I can see that the socket for the single phase meter has no damage other than scorch marks on the right side that I believe are from the 3 phase socket and meter but cannot confirm as the 3 phase socket and meter have either been removed or in another location.

Please see attached pictures of the two meter sockets during the meter exchanges. As you can see the single phase socket is good but the 3 phase socket has some pitting along with the 5th jaw (in the 9 o'clock position is not lined up).

I have the line manager and the Vernon meter technician following up. I have asked them to locate the meters as this will give us an indication as to whether the failure was within the meter socket. From the trouble call I believe that there was a phase to phase short on the 3 phase service as the PLT found two of the three cut-outs opened at the transformer bank.



An electrical fire Sunday has closed Rosalinda's Filipino Kitchen

Please see below for kWh and Vh load profiles for Mtrs 5739090 and Mtr 5154741 at SLID 1247846

- kWh and Vh interval values within norms for configuration type
- No events around Jan 13
- Last read 2013/01/13 08:46 / 08:47, not pingable
- Mtr 5739090 Installed **2012/08/16**
- Mtr 5154741 Installed **2012/10/17**

SP 1247846 Mtr 5739090 Ch 163 Vh

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

Westside Road

Vernon BC V1T 7Z3

Nov. 20, 2013

No incident no.

OFC had no report and said it wasn't required since the fire took place on Aboriginal Land.

The Okanagan Indian Band Fire Department's report, which I requested directly, said the fire was coming from meter on pole outside home. It set the side of the home on fire.

This was witnessed by a family member who called the fire dept.

BCSA was not called to inspect the fire. A local fire inspector refused to provide information even to the victim.

BC Hydro refused to provide any information about their failed equipment.

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>

To: Infopubs@aadnc-aadnc.gc.ca

Cc: ssaddleman@gmail.com

Sent: Monday, June 1, 2015 1:35:32 PM

Subject: Fire report request

Dear Sir or Madam,

On Nov. 20, 2013 a fire occurred at the home of Sandra Saddleman, on Westside Road, Vernon, BC V1T 7Z3. I asked the Provincial Fire Commissioner for a report, but he advised that because this incident occurred on First Nations Land and the Okanagan Indian Band Fire Department attended, your office would have all of the information.

Would you please provide me with a copy of all the records available that pertain to this fire, including any insurance or inspector's report? I have been in contact with Mrs. Saddleman and she has authorized me to obtain this information on her behalf.

Thank you for your assistance.

Regards,

Sharon Noble

From: InfoPubs InfoPubs [<mailto:InfoPubs@aadnc-aadnc.gc.ca>]

Sent: June 8, 2015 9:01 AM

To: Dennis and Sharon Noble

Cc: ssaddleman@gmail.com

Subject: Fire report request

Thank you for contacting Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada. (AANDC)

I have been in contact with the Director, Community Infrastructure. He has advised us that our department does not collect the information you are requesting. We do not collect inspection or insurance reports and he suggested you contact the First Nation directly.

Please let us know if you require further assistance.

Sincerely,

Joan

Public Enquiries Contact Centre / Information Management Branch

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada / Government of Canada



Okanagan Indian Band Fire Department

IR# 616

Incident Report

Date+Time of call: 11/20/2013 12:15 am/pm
Call Reported by: Vernon PD
Engines Responded: 1, 2, 3
Time of site response: 1:15 am/pm
Call Received by: OKIB
Band Property: (yes/no) House

Type of incident: House Fire

Location White man creek area Sandy saddlemeas

Arrived on scene description: (size up and what other agencies already on scene)
Roof area fully engulfed in fire, flames
approx 3-4 feet high.

Action Taken:
Started to attack from car port roof also
fire action taken from south side of residence to
top and stop spread of fire attack inside house
Done and the fire was brought under control and put out

Primary cause/Story of incident.....(more details on back of page if needed)
owner advised heard crackling sounds coming from
west side of building investigation down stairs area
revealed nothing. went out side noted fire running up
side of building where the meter pole is located
he alerted all people in house to get out
and called firedept

Comments / Casualties, Injuries / Estimated Property Loss. (circle one)
20,000

Home / Land Owner ID./Contact info yes on scene

Motor Vehicle Incident: MVA make, model, licence plate.



February 20, 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble

**Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2015-24**

The BC Safety Authority received your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) on February 11, 2015.

According to your application, **you requested all records for incidents that occurred at RR#2 Westside Road Vernon, BC**

Please be advised that we have no records related to your request in our possession.

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,

S. Robertson for

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Records, Information and Privacy Analyst
British Columbia Safety Authority



British Columbia Safety Authority

200 - 505 Sixth Street New Westminster BC V3L 0E1 T 778.396.2000 1.866.566.7233 F 778.396.2064 www.safetyauthority.ca
FRM-1275-02



FOR GENERATIONS

Scott Macdonald

Manager, Freedom of Information and Privacy

16th Floor

Phone: (604) 623-3880

Fax: (604) 623-4556

Request Number: 201.20.2015-136 (Hydro report – Vernon Fire)

02 March 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC
V9C 3V5

Dear Ms. Noble:

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ('the Act')
— Request for records

I am writing in response to your request for records under the Act.

Section 22 of the Act, prohibits BC Hydro from disclosing the personal information of an individual to a third party if the disclosure of that information would be an unreasonable invasion of the individual's personal privacy. In view of section 22, we are not permitted to provide you with information related to an account that was not in your name.

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4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria, B.C.
V8V 3K3

If you request a review, please provide the OIPC with a copy of this letter and a copy of your request.

Yours truly,



Scott Macdonald

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "FOI Officer Scott MacDonald" <scott.macdonald@bchydro.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2015 2:52:11 PM
Subject: FOI request -- Vernon fire

Dear Mr. MacDonald,

I received your response dated March 2 in which you cite Sec. 22 of the FOIPPA Act as the basis for your refusal to provide the information requested below.

Please note that I am specifically not requesting any information of a personal nature about this fire. **I am asking for information regarding BC Hydro's equipment** including reports by any electrician or BC Hydro employee who attended the fire or fire scene, including any laboratory report on the meter that was on the home at the time of the fire.

I am not asking for any information regarding Mrs. Saddleman, owner of the home at RR#2 Westside Rd, Vernon, that occurred on Nov. 20, 2013.

Thank you.

Sharon Noble



FOR GENERATIONS

Scott Macdonald
Manager, Freedom of Information and Privacy
16th Floor
Phone: (604) 623-3880
Fax: (604) 623-4556

Request Number: 201.20.2015-120 (Trouble Report request)

06 February 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC
V9C 3V5

Dear Ms. Noble:

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ("the Act")
— Request for records

I am writing in response to your request for records under the Act.

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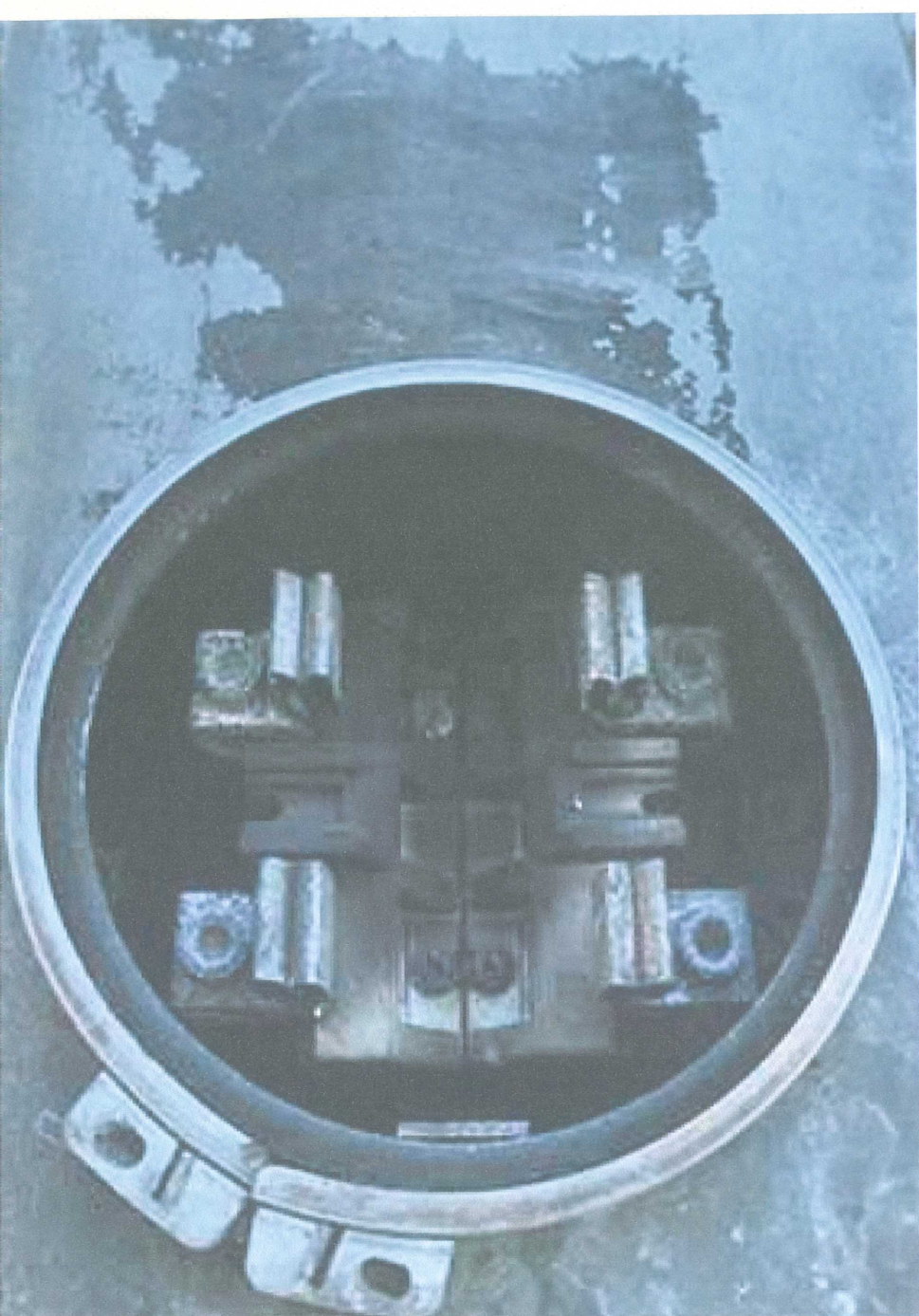
If you request a review, please provide the OIPC with a copy of this letter and a copy of your request.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Scott Macdonald".

Scott Macdonald





Summary of errors/omissions of reporting of fires

Victoria Shipyards

825 Admirals Road

Victoria, BC

June 6, 2012

Fire started at the panel. Esquimalt Fire Department attended but no report was file because fire occurred on DND property.

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

3273 McGinnis Rd.

West Kelowna, BC

June 24, 2016

Incident no. DWK 2016 06 24 11 03

Although the fire dept. completed the report the day of the fire, the OFC did not have it readily available. It was not provided to me for 3 weeks.

Igniting object: Cannot be determined

Fuel: Electricity

Form of heat: Spark, arcing

Act or omission: Cannot be determined.

At the scene the fire chief said the fire started at the electrical panel, yet there is no mention of this in remarks on the OFC report. From the description in the report submitted to JAG/TRA the fire started on an exterior wall although the report does not specify in the coding section.

"The fire started in a downstairs electrical panel box of a home on McGinnis Road in West Kelowna this afternoon, June 24.

Assistant fire chief Brent Watson says firefighters extinguished one fire and then using thermal imaging equipment, found several more hot spots in the walls."

<http://infotel.ca/newsitem/family-of-four-escapes-glenrosa-basement-fire-with-their-pet/it32071>

BCSA did not investigate the fire and has no report.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: **DWK 2016 06 24 11 03**

Location of Incident: **3273 MCGINNIS ROAD
WEST KELOWNA BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **4** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: **\$20,000**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **\$400,000** Content Value: **\$125,000** Total Value at Risk: **\$525,000**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	3990 RESIDENTIAL MISCELLANEOUS - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	0009 GENERAL CONSTRUCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION :	7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT :	1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	1600 CARBON DIOXIDE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	1000 BASEMENT, SUB-BASEMENT
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	3000 ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT COMMUNICATION ROOM - INCLUDES RADAR, TE
EXTENT OF FIRE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY :	6000 ELECTRICITY
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MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	1700 INSULATION - PLASTIC - EXCLUDES ELECTRIC INSULATION
ACT OR OMISSION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer
BREDIN, TREVOR

LAFC Badge #

Telephone
778-797-3200

ReportDate
2016-06-24

From: Ruby Beryar [<mailto:Ruby.Beryar@safetyauthority.ca>] **On Behalf Of** FOI
Sent: February 14, 2017 8:51 AM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble' <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
Subject: Correction to first fire report request.

Hi Sharon,

Further to my earlier response, I confirm we have **no record** related to this incident noted below in our possession.

Regards,
Ruby

Ruby Beryar | Legal and Privacy Assistant
BRITISH COLUMBIA SAFETY AUTHORITY
200 - 505 6th Street, New Westminster BC V3L 0E1
tel: 778.396.2157 | toll free: 1.866.566.7233

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "FOI" <FOI@safetyauthority.ca>
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 10:29:06 PM
Subject: Correction to first fire report request.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Can you please tell me if the BCSA inspected the cause of this fire? If it did, I would like to request a copy of the report.

Date: June 24, 2016

Address: 3273 McGinnis Rd., West Kelowna V4T 1A9

Owner: Clean-ser Cleaning Service

Thank you.

Regards,
Sharon Noble

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
Ministry of Justice
Emergency Management BC / Office of the Fire Commissioner

FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: **DWK 2016 06 24 11 03**

Location of Incident: **3273 MCGINNIS ROAD
WEST KELOWNA BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **4** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate **s.22**

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: **NO** Property Value: **s.22** Content Value: **s.22** Total Value at Risk: **s.22**

Code Name :	Code Description
PROPERTY COMPLEX :	3400 RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE DETACHED
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION :	3990 RESIDENTIAL MISCELLANEOUS - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION :	0009 GENERAL CONSTRUCTION - UNCLASSIFIED (DESCRIBE)
BUILDING HEIGHT :	0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA :	2000 101 TO 500M2 (1077 - 5382FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION :	7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION :	1000 PUBLIC HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
SPRINKLER PROTECTION :	7000 NO SPRINKLER PROTECTION
AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SYSTE :	1000 NO FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
SMOKE ALARM OPERATION :	1000 ALARM ACTIVATED - ASSISTED OCCUPANT(S) IN EVACUATING
INITIAL DETECTION :	7000 VISUAL SIGHTING OR OTHER MEANS OF PERSONAL DETECTION (E.G. S
TRANSMISSION OF ALARM :	1000 911
FIRE SERVICE :	3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT :	1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN :	3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL :	1600 CARBON DIOXIDE
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL :	1000 BASEMENT, SUB-BASEMENT
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA :	3000 ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT COMMUNICATION ROOM - INCLUDES RADAR, TE
EXTENT OF FIRE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE :	5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY :	6000 ELECTRICITY
FORM OF HEAT :	2000 SPARK, ELECTRICAL - INCLUDES ARC, DISCHARGE. (EXCLUDES STATI
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED :	1700 INSULATION - PLASTIC - EXCLUDES ELECTRIC INSULATION
ACT OR OMISSION :	0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED

Investigating Officer
BREDIN, TREVOR

LAFC Badge #

Telephone
778-797-3200

ReportDate
2016-06-24

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE (NARRATIVE)

INCIDENT NUMBER: **DWK 2016 06 24 11 03****Remarks:**

DISPATCHED TO A FIRE AROUND AN ELECTRICAL PANEL. UPON ARRIVAL TENANT INDICATED THERE WAS FLAMES COMING FROM AROUND THE ELECTRICAL PANEL IN THE BASEMENT OF THE RESIDENCE. FIRE CREW MADE ENTRY AND EXTINGUISHED THE FIRE WITH A CO2 EXTINGUISHER. EXTENSIVE CHARRING WAS EVIDENT AROUND THE ELECTRICAL PANEL AND UPWARDS TOWARDS THE ELECTRICAL METER ON THE EXTERIOR OF THE RESIDENCE. OVERHAUL WAS DELAYED UNTIL HYDRO COULD DISCONNECT POWER TO THE RESIDENCE AT THE STREET. FIRE CREW OPENED CEILING IN THE BASEMENT, INTERIOR WALLS ON THE SECOND FLOOR, AND REMOVED SIDING AND STUCCO ON THE EXTERIOR, IN THE 'ALPHA' / 'DELTA' CORNER OF THE BUILDING AROUND THE ELECTRICAL METER AND DOWN TO THE BASEMENT ELECTRICAL PANEL. EXTENSIVE CHARRING WAS DISCOVERED AROUND ELECTRICAL WIRING, AND SURROUNDING WOOD FRAMING. ATTIC WAS CHECKED FOR EXTENSION, ALL OK. RESIDENCE WAS VENTILATED WITH PPV. FIRE WATCH WAS INITIATED FOR TWO HOURS UNTIL SCENE COULD BE TURNED OVER TO HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE COMPANY AND RESTORATION COMPANY. LIABILITY SIGNED. OWNER s.22

s.22

/ INSURANCE COMPANY- CLAIMSPRO- BRETT MCAVENA 250-575-6606.

Investigating Officer
BREDIN, TREVOR

LAFC Badge #

Telephone
778-797-3200

ReportDate
2016-06-24

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

11-1525 Westside Rd.

West Bank (West Kelowna), BC

April 9, 2014

Incident no. 601 2014 04 09 03 01

Even though fire dept completed the report on the day of the fire, the OFC did not have it when I requested the report 3 months later even though someone died.

Neither did JAG have the report until 6 weeks after the OFC received it.

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: 601 2014 04 09 03 01

Location of Incident: **11 - 1525 WESTSIDE ROAD
WESTBANK FIRST NATION BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): 1 # of Injured: 0 # of Deaths: 0 Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$95,000

Related to Wildland Interface Fire: NO Property Value: \$60,000 Content Value: \$35,000 Total Value at Risk: \$95,000

Code Name : Code Description

PROPERTY COMPLEX : 3800 RESIDENTIAL - MOBILE HOME/TRAILER PARK
PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION : 3110 YEAR-ROUND USE DWELLING - 1-FAMILY
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION : 2000 PROTECTED COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION - WOOD PROTECTED BY PLAST
BUILDING HEIGHT : 0010 1 STORY ABOVE GRADE
GROUND FLOOR AREA : 1000 1 TO 100M2 (1 - 1076FT2)
YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION : 7000 NO MANUAL FIRE PROTECTION
OUTSIDE FIRE PROTECTION : 5000 PRIVATE HYDRANT PROTECTION & FIRE DEPARTMENT
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TRANSMISSION OF ALARM : 1000 911
FIRE SERVICE : 3000 COMPOSITE - CAREER & VOLUNTEER/PAID-ON-CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT : 1000 FIRE - FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED
ACTION TAKEN : 3000 EXTINGUISHED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT
METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL : 4300 38MM/42MM (1 1/2"/1 3/4") HOSE - 2 OR MORE HAND LINES
FIRE ORIGIN, LEVEL : 3000 GROUND FLOOR, GRADE LEVEL OR GRADE TO 3M (10FT)
FIRE ORIGIN, AREA : 1400 LOUNGE, LIVING ROOM - INCLUDES MUSIC ROOM, COMMON ROOM, TV R
EXTENT OF FIRE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
EXTENT OF DAMAGE : 5000 CONFINED TO BUILDING OF ORIGIN
IGNITING OBJECT : 0000 CANNOT BE DETERMINED
FUEL OR ENERGY : 3000 GASOLINE
FORM OF HEAT : 4000 DIRECT FLAME
MATERIAL FIRST IGNITED : 5100 GASOLINE
ACT OR OMISSION : 1130 INCENDIARY - ADULT (18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER)

Investigating Officer LAFC Badge #
SAVIN, TERRY 2031

Telephone ReportDate
250-769-1640 2014-04-09

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FIRE REPORT - STRUCTURE

INCIDENT NUMBER: 601 2014 04 09 03 01

Location of Incident: **11 - 1525 WESTSIDE ROAD
WESTBANK FIRST NATION BC**

of Occupants (At time of fire): **1** # of Injured: **0** # of Deaths: **0** Total Dollar Loss Estimate: \$ **s.22**

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FIRE REPORT - **STRUCTURE** (NARRATIVE)INCIDENT NUMBER: **601 2014 04 09 03 01****Remarks:**

FIRE WAS
FROM

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OCCUPANT DIED

Investigating Officer
SAVIN, TERRY

LAFC Badge #
2031

Telephone
250-769-1640

ReportDate
2014-04-09

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for fire:

830 Mathers

West Vancouver

April 25, 2014

No incident report

Even after many requests, no report was provided by the fire department to the OFC.

Neither was there a file at JAG.

Neither did BCSA inspect the fire.

Asst. Fire Chief Martin Ernst "says the fire doesn't appear suspicious, and investigators believe it could be due to an electrical issue."

<http://www.cknw.com/2014/04/25/no-one-injured-in-west-vancouver-house-fire/>

From: Sarb Dhut [<mailto:Sarb.Dhut@safetyauthority.ca>] **On Behalf Of** FOI

Sent: February 22, 2016 4:13 PM

To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble' <dsnoble@shaw.ca>

Subject: FOI request

Hi Sharon,

Please be advised that we have **no fire investigation records** related to your request in our possession.

Thanks

Sarb Dhut | Analyst, Records Information and Privacy

BRITISH COLUMBIA SAFETY AUTHORITY

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>

To: foi@safetyauthority.ca

Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2016 10:46:25 AM

Subject: FOI request

Dear Sir or Madam:

Could you please tell me if BCSA investigated this fire and, if so, a report was filed?

Date: April 25, 2014

Address: 830 Mathers Ave., West Vancouver, V7T 2G1

Owner: C. Avefjall

Thank you.

Regards,

Sharon Noble

West Vancouver Fire and Rescue Officer's Incident Report

Provincial Incident Number: DWV 14 04 25 19 01

Incident Information

Address: 830 Street: Mathers Street Type AVE Unit:
Cross Street: 9th ST

Property Name:

Type Reported as: STRUCTURE FIRE - RESIDENTIAL Actual Incident Type:
Nature Reported as: FRE Fire - Residential Actual Nature of Incident:

Incident Began: 04/25/2014 19:50:26 Response Time: 6 Mins 43 Secs
Incident Ended: 04/25/2014 22:43:45 Duration: 2 Hrs 53 Mins 19 Secs

Station Area: District of West Van Hall 4 Platoon: B PLATOON-WVD
Company Officer: Dave Clark

Incident Commander: Dave Clark Command Established: 04/25/2014 19:57:16
Command Location: Alpha side driveway

Road Conditions: dry Traffic Conditions: moderate
Weather Conditions: clear

Police Attended: Yes Police File Number:
Call Transmission: Dispatcher:

Names

Name: [REDACTED] Contact Type:

Address: 830 Mathers Ave Suite:

City: W VAN Province Postal Code: V7T-2G1

Telephone: [REDACTED] Business Name:

West Vancouver Fire and Rescue Officer's Incident Report

Remarks

Title **A/C D'Angelo**

Provincial Incident No. **DWV 14 04 25 19 01**

Upon arrival, I reported to Mathers Command, Captain Dave Clark, who updated me on the situation and his plan of attack. After that, I did a 360 of my own then assumed Command. The fire appeared to be contained in a basement bedroom at the Bravo/Charlie corner. Captain Clark's plan was working well and had the fire almost out at that point. An Attack team had penciled from a vented Bravo side window having the most effect. Extinguishment and over haul had entered from the Charlie basement door. When the fire was struck, I transferred Command to Chief Ernst and who retained Eng 4 as a Rit while he conducted his investigation.

Title **Eng 1 Capt Port**

Provincial Incident No. **DWV 14 04 25 19 01**

Port assigned to safety officer saunier and yuen assigned vent also overhaul harvey assigned rit

Title **Luscombe E3**

Provincial Incident No. **DWV 14 04 25 19 01**

Capt. Luscombe's notes West Van Engine three : Engine three arrived on scene, level one staging 9th and Mathers ave. Command contacted Engine three to pack up and meet face to face in the driveway. Crew from Engine three tasked to be attack two. Initially set up an inch and a half line from engine four at the Alpha front door, however on my 360 of the house and talking to attack one I contacted command and said the Charlie basement door was a better point to attack the fire. The crew from Engine three entered the house from the charlie side and found the seat of the fire in the downstairs bravo charlie corner bedroom. The door to the bedroom was closed and this contained the fire to the contents of that room. We checked for hot spots with the thermal imaging camera and wet down the room. There was no extension of the fire found. I shut the electrical panel off and let command know that the power to the home was now off. We exited the building and reported our findings to command. Later fire fighter J.Leduc and myself re entered after the overhaul was done to double check the fire was struck. No further heat sources found and I agreed that the fire was out, this was reported to A/C D'Angelo who was now in command.

Title **WVE4 Clark Report**

Provincial Incident No. **DWV 14 04 25 19 01**

As WVE4 approached the intersection Burley Ave and Ninth Street smoke was noted in the approximate area of the address we were dispatched to. This condition was relayed onto the other incoming units. On our arrival to 830 Mathers Ave smoke was seen rising from the Charlie side of the house. I reported what I saw and established Mathers Command. F/F Scorda and F/F Wilson were tasked to stretch a 2 1/2 line up the very long driveway .Firefighter Thompson was the pump operator . WVE1 was then tasked to establish the connection to the hydrant and lay into WVE4. A brief interview with the homeowner [REDACTED] gave a fairly clear description of the involved area. A 360 was performed and I elected to get F/F Scorda and F/F Wilson to attack the fire from the outside of the B/C corner using a 1 1/2 line from the gated 2 1/2. They were designated Attack 1 . Once the water source was established the members from WVE1 were tasked to pressurize the upper floor using a gas powered ppv. Once this was in place Captain Port was tasked as Safety officer. The crew of 3 from WVT1 were tasked as RIT .The crew of four from WVE3 were tasked to be Attack 2 originally they were to enter from the Alpha side upper floor but it was deemed better to enter from the Charlie side basement door. The PPV was shut down before they were to enter. Upon arrival of A/C D'Angelo we had a face to face meeting and then he conducted his own 360 and then command was transferred to him. After the fire was struck WVE4 remained on scene with A/C Ernst (FPO) to act as back up while he conducted his investigation. The scene was left in A/C Ernst's care and we were released from the scene.

Incident Investigation

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REDACTED



ARCS: 292-30
File: JAG-2015-00096

March 13, 2015

Sent via email: dsnoble@shaw.ca

Dear Sharon Noble:

Re: Request for Access to Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Justice. Your request is for:

All records held by the Ministry including any insurance report regarding the following incident on April 25 2014 at 830 Mathers Vancouver BC V7T 2G1 [where the owner is C. Avefjall]

Although a thorough search was conducted, no records were located in response to your request.

You may wish to contact the responding fire department directly, as they may have records responsive to your request.

Your file is now closed.

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Sandra Fisher, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250-356-6074. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604-660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1-800-663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250-356-6074.

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You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision.
I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hudson", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Vicki Hudson, Manager
Justice / Social Team
Information Access Operations

Enclosure

From: Simpson, Farrah JAG:EX [<mailto:Farrah.Simpson@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: November 24, 2014 11:38 AM
To: 'Dennis and Sharon Noble'
Subject: R#2 Request for Fire Reports #8 - List of (4) - September 21, 2014

Good Morning Sharon,

Unfortunately both those reports have not been submitted into our system yet. I will follow-up again with the departments to check on the status.

I have several other reports ready to go to send to you which I should be able to get out later this afternoon. I will be in touch again soon.

Thank-you,

Farrah Simpson
Fire Reporting officer | Office of the Fire Commissioner
Emergency Management BC
Ministry of Justice
T:250.952.4917 | F:250.952.4888 | E: Farrah.Simpson@gov.bc.ca
www.EMBC.BC.CA
24 Hour Emergency Reporting 1.888.988.9488

From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [<mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca>]
Sent: Friday, November 21, 2014 11:58
To: Simpson, Farrah JAG:EX
Subject: R#2 Request for Fire Reports #8 - List of (4) - September 21, 2014
Importance: High

Good morning, Farrah,

Can you please let me know if the reports for the following are available?

- 1) 8.2 re. 830 Mathers, Vancouver V7T 2G1, April 25, 2014
- 2) 8.4 re. 5464-203 St. Langley V3A 0A4, April 3, 2013

Thank you and I hope you have a good weekend.

Best-

Sharon

Summary of errors/omissions of reporting for incident:

30828 Upper Fraser Rd.

Prince George Rural East Zone

Willow River

January 2013 a smart meter on a pole outside a cottage that had been closed for the winter caught fire, burning the pole. A neighbour witnessed the event, took photos of the burned meter and pole, and called BC Hydro.

Fortunately the meter was some distance from the building, thus preventing a major fire.

BC Hydro refused to provide the "owner" a report on the incident and held him responsible for the costs of the pole.

BC Hydro refused to provide a trouble report or any report provided by the attending electrician. They denied that they had the smart meter.

BC Hydro did not report the event to any agency.

BCSA did not investigate the incident or the smart meter.

From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [<mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca>]
Sent: March 3, 2015 10:36 AM
To: FOI Officer Scott MacDonald (scott.macdonald@bchydro.com)
Subject: FOI request Hydro report Prince George, January 2013 -- #201.20.2015.128

Dear Mr. MacDonald,

Based upon your recent email I am amending my FOI request. I am now requesting all records pertaining to the smart meter failure that occurred on the pole at the property of Mr. Luc de Beir, 30828 Upper Fraser Rd., Prince George Rural East (Zone 80), Willow River V0J 3C0 in January 2013. These records should include any report by any electrician or Hydro employee who attended at this address in regards to this incident, and any report involving inspection of the meter.

I am not requesting any information of a personal nature regarding the owner, Mr. de Beir.

Thank you.
Sharon Noble

From: Dennis and Sharon Noble [<mailto:dsnoble@shaw.ca>]
Sent: January 27, 2015 3:00 PM
To: FOI Officer Scott MacDonald (scott.macdonald@bchydro.com)
Subject: FOI request Hydro report Prince George, January 2013

Dear Mr. MacDonald,

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting copies of all reports and documents, including any report filed by the Hydro electrician attending, pertaining to an incident that occurred in January, 2013 at 30828 Upper Fraser Road, Prince George Rural East (Zone 80). Willow River V0J 3C0.

Thank you.

Regards,
Sharon Noble



FOR GENERATIONS

Scott Macdonald
Manager, Freedom of Information and Privacy
16th Floor
Phone: (604) 623-3880
Fax: (604) 623-4556

Request Number: 201.20.2015-128 (Hydro Report Prince George)

10 February 2015

Ms. Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC
V9C 3V5

Dear Ms. Noble:

Re: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ('the Act')
— Request for records

I am writing in response to your request for records under the Act.

Section 22 of the Act, prohibits BC Hydro from disclosing the personal information of an individual to a third party if the disclosure of that information would be an unreasonable invasion of the individual's personal privacy. In view of section 22, we are not permitted to provide you with information related to an account that was not in your name.

If you have any questions regarding our response to your request for records, please call me. You may also ask the Office of Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC ('the OIPC') to review our response to your request. You have 30 days from the receipt of this letter to request a review by writing to:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for BC
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria, B.C.
V8V 3K3

If you request a review, please provide the OIPC with a copy of this letter and a copy of your request.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Scott Macdonald".

Scott Macdonald



July 29, 2014

Ms. Sharon Noble

**Re: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Request for Information
Request No.: BCSA 2014-126**

The BC Safety Authority received your request for access to information under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act) on July 8, 2014.

According to your application, you requested **all documents concerning an electrical fire that occurred in January 2013 at 30828 Upper Fraser Road, Prince George Rural East (Zone 80).**

Please be advised that BC Safety Authority did not investigate this incident therefore we have no records in our possession related to your request.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sarb Dhut".

Sarb Dhut
Records, Information and Privacy Analyst



British Columbia Safety Authority

200 - 505 Sixth Street New Westminster BC V3L 0E1 T 778.396.2000 1.866.566.7233 F 778.396.2064 www.safetyauthority.ca
FRM-1275-02

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "Monique LeBlanc" <MLeBlanc@oipc.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, December 23, 2015 1:14:55 PM
Subject: OIPC file F15-62475

Dear Monique,

As per our conversation this morning, I understand that BC Hydro maintains that they have no records pertaining to any of the "failed electrical distribution equipment" involved in fires or that failed on the 4 premises about which I had lodged a complaint. Your office therefore is unable to proceed with my request for an investigation because there are no records for you to obtain.

As a result, I am withdrawing my request for an investigation into these 4 files.

Thank you very much for your time and effort on my behalf.

Happy holidays,

Sharon Noble

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "Information and Privacy Commission" <info@oipc.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2015 2:35:28 PM
Subject: Complaint -- Freedom of Information Request denied by BC Hydro

Dear Commissioner Denham,

I wish to make an official complaint against BC Hydro regarding Freedom of Information requests that are being denied. BC Hydro, I believe, is misusing the Freedom of Information Act in order to refuse my having access to information relevant to the smart meters that are being put on our homes.

Attached are 2 examples of requests that I have made asking for information pertaining to incidents involving smart meters. I have provided complete information: Names of the individuals involved; addresses of the location of the smart meter; date of the incident.

Please note that I have received no acknowledgement of my requests of March 3, 2015.

According to regulations and/or policy, "trouble reports" are to be made by any electrician, whether working for BC Hydro or not, regarding electrical incidents of a significant nature. Reports are supposed to be made to the BC Safety Authority as well, yet none have been provided regarding these electrical events. This leaves BC Hydro as the only source for the information I am requesting.

In the incident, FOI #134 (number assigned by BC Hydro) a meter overheated and melted. The meter fortunately did not catch fire. BC Hydro did attend this incident and did replace the meter.

In the incident, **FOI #128**, the meter was on a pole. According to the owner and an independent witness, the meter caught fire, burning the pole. The fire burned itself out since the meter was distant from the home and it was winter. BC Hydro did attend the incident, taking the meter, and later charging Mr. de Beir for a replacement pole.

Photos are available of both meters, should you wish to see them.

I have asked for reports regarding the equipment and the report submitted by the electricians or BC Hydro employees who were called to these addresses. I have made it perfectly clear that I am not asking for any personal information, but rather I am requesting information about Hydro's equipment that was involved in the event.

Commissioner Denham, I believe that I, as a member of the public, have a right to know if the equipment BC Hydro is installing on homes is, in fact, failing and putting life and property at risk. BC Hydro is refusing to permit me access to information, using FOIPPA inappropriately, in defiance of the true purpose of this Act.

I would ask that you investigate my claims and the information I've attached, which are my complete files of communications with BC Hydro pertaining to both requests, and instruct BC Hydro to give me full and complete responses.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Sharon Noble
818 Bexhill Place
Victoria, BC V9C 3V5
250-478-7892

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "FOI Officer Scott MacDonald" <scott.macdonald@bchydro.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 3, 2015 10:36:04 AM
Subject: FOI request Hydro report Prince George, January 2013 -- #201.20.2015.128

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Thank you.

Sharon Noble

From: "Dennis and Sharon Noble" <dsnoble@shaw.ca>
To: "FOI Officer Scott MacDonald" <scott.macdonald@bchydro.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2015 3:00:11 PM
Subject: FOI request Hydro report Prince George, January 2013

Dear Mr. MacDonald,

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting copies of all reports and documents, including any report filed by the Hydro electrician attending, pertaining to an incident that occurred in January, 2013 at 30828 Upper Fraser Road, Prince George Rural East (Zone 80). Willow River V0J 3C0.

Thank you.

Regards,

Sharon Noble

<http://www.theprovince.com/news/Hydro+playing+smoke+mirrors+over+smart+meter+fires/10141442/story.html>

B.C. Hydro insists its spiffy new smart meters have not caused any fires, even though the technology has been blamed for blazes in other jurisdictions.

That includes Saskatchewan, where the government just decided to get rid of smart meters after a series of electrical fires there.

B.C. Hydro says it uses a different brand of meter from SaskPower, and no fires have been confirmed here.

Luc De Beir begs to differ.

De Beir, 63, is a project co-ordinator at the University of B.C. and a construction manager who runs his own company in Langley. He blames a smart meter for a February 2013 fire at his summer home near Prince George.

De Beir was not at his Eaglet Lake vacation property when concerned neighbours noticed smoke and went to investigate.

The neighbours say an electrical utility pole had caught fire near its base. It smouldered, burned through the pole and fell over.

“The pole was lying on the ground near a charred, black stump sticking out of the ground,” De Beir said. “It’s very fortunate the pole was not too close to my house or the house would have burned, too.”

De Beir said B.C. Hydro had earlier installed a new smart meter on the utility pole. The fire appeared to have started in the precise spot where the smart meter had been installed. He made the obvious connection.

“I never had any problems with the old analog meter on the pole. Then they installed a smart meter and the pole caught fire.”

He filed a \$4,500 damage claim to B.C. Hydro, but Hydro rejected it.

Why? Hydro sent De Beir a letter that suggested a pre-existing “meter base” on the pole was the problem, not the smart meter that was plugged into it.

“The meter base is the property and responsibility of the homeowner,” the letter stated. “If deficiencies are discovered within the meter base when our meter is removed, it is the customer’s responsibility to arrange for repairs to their equipment.”

But De Beir thinks Hydro is just trying to duck responsibility for the fire.

“I wasn’t home when they installed the smart meter. They just came onto the property and installed it without my knowledge, and no one told me there were any ‘deficiencies’ with the base, which worked fine for years with an analog meter.”

The story seemed unusual, so I contacted Hydro for more information. It got stranger from there.

“We sent a crew to investigate and I can confirm a smart meter was never installed on that pole,” Hydro spokesman Greg Alexis told me.

He said Hydro installed a smart meter at a completely different location on De Beir’s large property.

“We installed a smart meter on the side of a shed, not a pole,” Alexis said, suggesting it must have been the old analog meter that burned that fateful day.

De Beir was stunned by that.

“That’s not true,” he said. “They put a smart meter on that pole and I can show you a picture to prove it.”

De Beir said it was only a fluke that he happened to take a picture of the smart meter on the pole a few months before the fire. I sent the picture to Hydro.

“There was a smart meter installed on the pole,” said Alexis, who blamed an address mix-up for the error. “But there is still no evidence that it caused the fire.”

One final twist: No one knows what happened to the burned smart meter. De Beir says a Hydro work crew took it away. But Alexis said there is no record that happened or that Hydro has the burned meter in its possession.

So did a smart meter cause a fire or not? Tough to say without the crucial piece of evidence — and many other smart-meter mishaps are equally inconclusive.

Documents obtained by The Coalition To Stop Smart Meters show there have been other complaints of smart-meter fires, but all liability claims have been rejected by B.C. Hydro.

An August 2012 “fire in a meter base” occurred at the Sparwood post office about four hours after a smart meter was installed there, according to a B.C. Safety Authority report released under freedom-of-information laws.

“The cause was not determined,” the report said.

Official B.C. Hydro “Significant Incident and Event” reports obtained by the group under FOI also mention smart-meter mishaps, including:

Coquitlam: “Smart meter installed July 2012. Preliminary investigation indicates excessive consumption load over-heated socket and created fire.”

Langley: “Broken socket jaw made contact with meter socket during meter exchange. Arcing led to fire at meter location, continued to burn through neutral conductor and onto coax TV cable.”

Abbotsford: “Abbotsford Fire Dept. reported an incident where a homeowner claimed his newly-installed smart meter was smoking and he proceeded to get his camera to take a picture of it. Supposedly, while taking the picture, the smart meter shot off the wall — this has not been verified, there is no photo and there is no further information.”

All most intriguing. But where there is smoke, there is not necessarily a smart-meter fire, says B.C. Hydro.

“We have looked at these incidents and there isn’t a single case here of a fire caused by a B.C. Hydro smart meter,” said Alexis, adding “customer wiring” can be defective and cause problems, not Hydro’s smart meters.

“There have been fewer residential structure fires associated with electricity in the province since B.C. Hydro started installing smart meters in 2011,” he said.

Earlier this month, Saskatchewan ordered their smart meters to be replaced after nine reports of fires there.

British Columbia shows no intention of going down the same path, insisting any fires here are the fault of customers' equipment, not Hydro's new smart meters.

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