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## Statement from B.C. Privacy Commissioner regarding government response to OIPC Investigation Report F15-03

**VICTORIA**—Elizabeth Denham, B.C. Information and Privacy Commissioner, released the following statement in response to the release of the Terms of Reference for David Loukidelis to assist government in dealing with the findings and recommendations in Investigation Report F15-03 *Access Denied: Record Retention and Disposal Practices of the Government of British Columbia*:

"I am encouraged by Premier Clark's public statement that government will act on the recommendations made in Investigation Report F15-03, released on October 22.

"My Report contains a blueprint for the way forward to strengthen public confidence in the freedom of information process in B.C.

"Mr. Loukidelis' Terms of Reference speak to the need for freedom of information training and advice in implementing records management processes as set out in the investigation report.

"I note that my recommendations for legislative reform have been referred to the Select Standing Committee to Review the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.* I look forward to speaking to the committee on November 18 to discuss these matters in more detail.

"I will continue to follow up with the government as it moves forward with reform in light of the Report."

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