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April 28, 2006

Hon. Mike de Jong
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Dear Minister:

Bill 30 (Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2006)—Amendments to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (“FIPPA”) and the *Personal Information Protection Act* (“PIPA”)—OIPC File No. F05-26470

Further to my letter of April 27, 2006, I have now had an opportunity to consider the other amendments that the above Bill would make to FIPPA and to PIPA. I support these amendments.

In the case of amendments to FIPPA in relation to location of personal information outside of Canada or access to it from outside Canada, I support these amendments as reasonable. I note that they are narrowly tailored and would permit location of personal information outside Canada or access from outside Canada only where a public body official is temporarily travelling outside Canada or for “installing, implementing, maintaining, repairing, trouble shooting or upgrading an electronic system or equipment that includes an electronic system” or “for data recovery that is being undertaken following failure of an electronic system”.

Consistent with our longstanding practice when commenting on a Bill tabled in the Legislative Assembly, I am sending a copy of this letter to the Opposition critics for your Ministry and for the Ministry of Attorney General, the Minister who tabled this Bill.

This letter will be posted on our website later this afternoon.

Yours sincerely

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