



Office of the
Information and Privacy
Commissioner of Alberta

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Adjudicator orders release of contract value/price

An Adjudicator with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner has ruled that Alberta Transportation should release the contract value/price of a third party's successful response to a request for proposals.

An Applicant had requested the information but the Public Body refused, using sections 16 (disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party) and 25 (disclosure harmful to economic interests of a public body) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP).

Following an inquiry into the matter Adjudicator Wade Riordan Raaflaub found that the contract value/price could not be withheld under section 16 as it was not supplied in confidence. He also determined that the information was not properly withheld under section 25 because the Public Body failed to show how disclosure would prejudice its or the Government of Alberta's competitive position, or interfere with contractual or other negotiations.

Riordan Raaflaub has ordered the Public Body to disclose the contract value/price to the Applicant.

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