



THE FEDERAL BRIDGE CORPORATION 2017-2018 ANNUAL REPORT TO PARLIAMENT ON THE ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT

1. INTRODUCTION

- The *Access to Information Act* provides a right of access to information in records under the control of government institutions in accordance with the principles that government information should be available to the public, that necessary exceptions to the right of access should be limited and specific, and that decisions on the disclosure of government information should be reviewed independently of government.
- The 2017-2018 Annual Report to Parliament of The Federal Bridge Corporation (Corporation) is prepared in accordance with section 72 of the *Access to Information Act* on a consolidated basis which takes into account the structural changes that the Corporation has undergone during the reporting period.
- In accordance with the government's plan for the restructuring of the Corporation, the former FBCL has amalgamated with its wholly-owned subsidiary, St. Mary's River Bridge Company (SMRBC), on January 27, 2015, and with another parent Crown corporation, Blue Water Bridge Authority (BWBA), on February 1, 2015, to continue all three amalgamating corporations as one amalgamated entity, also known as The Federal Bridge Corporation, with all the rights, obligations and properties of the amalgamating corporations. The Corporation continues to hold one wholly-owned subsidiary, The Seaway International Bridge Corporation, Ltd. (SIBC) and to be responsible for overseeing and being accountable for the international bridges under its control and to provide strategic direction to the asset operators under its jurisdiction. Its mandate is to provide the highest level of stewardship so that its international bridge structures are safe and efficient for users. The Corporation is also in a position to provide expertise and advice to the federal government with regard to design, building, maintenance and operation of bridges and associated structures.
- This Annual Report is being tabled in Parliament in accordance with section 72 of the *Access to Information Act*.

2. ORGANIZATION

The former FBCL was a small institution with 14 full-time employees and SMRBC had no full-time employees. BWBA at the time of the amalgamation had 47 full-time employees. As of the end of the reporting period, the Corporation has 68 full-time employees.

3. DELEGATION ORDER

The President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation has delegated her powers and responsibilities under the *Access to Information Act* to the Vice-President, Legal Affairs and Corporate Secretary. He is supported in his work related to access to information by the Manager of IM and Administrative Services.

A copy of the Delegation Order is attached as Annex A.

4. INTERPRETATION OF THE STATISTICAL REPORT

Over the last five years, the numbers of requests for access to information received by the former FBCL, SMRBC and BWBA under the *Access to Information Act* were as follows included the new amalgamated Corporation:

Year	Former FBCL	SMRBC	BWBA	TOTAL
2013-2014	6	0	13	19
2014-2015	7		0	7

Year	Amalgamated FBCL	TOTAL
2015-2016	4	4
2016-2017	8	8
2017-2018	6	6

Six (6) requests for access to information under the *Access to Information Act* were received by the Corporation during 2017-2018. The number of requests processed in 2017-18 was decreased relative to the number of requests processed by the Amalgamated FBCL during the previous reporting period. Of these six (6) requests, one (1) was a formal request and five (5) were informal requests. Five (5) were totally disclosed and one (1) was partially disclosed.

Three (3) of these requests were completed within one (1) to fifteen (15) days. Two (2) requests were completed within sixteen (16) and thirty days (30), and one (1) was completed within thirty-one (31) and sixty (60) days.

Historically, former FBCL, SMRBC and BWBA have received very few requests for access to information under the *Access to Information Act*. Most of the requests received by former FBCL related directly or indirectly to the Champlain Bridge in Montreal which infrastructure

is owned and operated by The Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges Inc. (JCCBI). JCCBI is a separate legal entity that was, until February 12, 2014, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the former FBCL but has since become a parent Crown Corporation in its own right. JCCBI reports separately to Parliament.

A copy of the Statistical Report of the Corporation is attached to Annex B.

5. TRAINING

No training was taken during the reporting period.

6. NEW OR REVISED POLICIES

The Corporation did not implement any new policies, procedures, or guidelines with respect to the *Access to Information Act* during the reporting period.

7. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

No complaints were made and/or investigations undertaken during the reporting period.

8. MONITORING TIME TO PROCESS AI REQUESTS

No monitoring was necessary during the reporting period given the few numbers of requests.

Annex A

Access to Information Act Designation Order

The President and Chief Executive Officer of The Federal Bridge Corporation Limited (Corporation), pursuant to section 73 of the *Access to Information Act*, hereby designates the person holding the position of Vice-President, Legal Affairs and Corporate Secretary of the Corporation, to exercise the powers and perform the duties and functions of the President and Chief Executive Officer as the head of a government institution under the Act.

Dated at Ottawa, this 3rd day of June 2015.



Micheline Dubé
President and Chief Executive Officer



ANNEX B

2017-2018 STATISTICAL REPORT

PURSUANT TO THE *ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT*

The annual statistical report of The Federal Bridge Corporation Limited (Corporation) under the *Access to Information Act* indicates that six requests were received under the legislation during fiscal year 2017-2018.

The Corporation results from the amalgamation of the former FBCL with St. Mary's River Bridge Company on January 27, 2015 and with Blue Water Bridge Authority on February 1, 2015. Its mandate is to manage and operate federally owned bridges and structures. The Corporation has an established communications department and a well-used website. The Corporation provides a great deal of information through this website as well as through other means such as telephone responses, variable message signs on bridges, and briefings to the media.

Section 9.1 of this Statistical Report appended hereto describes the costs (in terms of human resources) borne by the Corporation in administering its access to information program.



Statistical Report on the *Access to Information Act*

Name of institution: The Federal Bridge Corporation Limited

Reporting period: 2017-04-01 to 2018-03-31

Part 1: Requests Under the *Access to Information Act*

1.1 Number of requests

	Number of Requests
Received during reporting period	1
Outstanding from previous reporting period	0
Total	1
Closed during reporting period	1
Carried over to next reporting period	0

1.2 Sources of requests

Source	Number of Requests
Media	0
Academia	0
Business (private sector)	1
Organization	0
Public	0
Decline to Identify	0
Total	1

1.3 Informal requests

Completion Time							Total
1 to 15 Days	16 to 30 Days	31 to 60 Days	61 to 120 Days	121 to 180 Days	181 to 365 Days	More Than 365 Days	
3	1	1	0	0	0	0	5

Note: All requests previously recorded as “treated informally” will now be accounted for in this section only.

Part 2: Requests Closed During the Reporting Period

2.1 Disposition and completion time

Disposition of Requests	Completion Time							Total
	1 to 15 Days	16 to 30 Days	31 to 60 Days	61 to 120 Days	121 to 180 Days	181 to 365 Days	More Than 365 Days	
All disclosed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
All exempted	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No records exist	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Request transferred	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Request abandoned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Neither confirmed nor denied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1

2.2 Exemptions

Section	Number of Requests	Section	Number of Requests	Section	Number of Requests	Section	Number of Requests
13(1)(a)	0	16(2)	0	18(a)	0	20.1	0
13(1)(b)	0	16(2)(a)	0	18(b)	0	20.2	0
13(1)(c)	0	16(2)(b)	0	18(c)	0	20.4	0
13(1)(d)	0	16(2)(c)	0	18(d)	0	21(1)(a)	0
13(1)(e)	0	16(3)	0	18.1(1)(a)	0	21(1)(b)	0
14	0	16.1(1)(a)	0	18.1(1)(b)	0	21(1)(c)	0
14(a)	0	16.1(1)(b)	0	18.1(1)(c)	0	21(1)(d)	0
14(b)	0	16.1(1)(c)	0	18.1(1)(d)	0	22	0
15(1)	0	16.1(1)(d)	0	19(1)	1	22.1(1)	0
15(1) - I.A.*	0	16.2(1)	0	20(1)(a)	1	23	0
15(1) - Def.*	0	16.3	0	20(1)(b)	1	24(1)	0
15(1) - S.A.*	0	16.4(1)(a)	0	20(1)(b.1)	0	26	0
16(1)(a)(i)	0	16.4(1)(b)	0	20(1)(c)	0		
16(1)(a)(ii)	0	16.5	0	20(1)(d)	0		
16(1)(a)(iii)	0	17	0				
16(1)(b)	0						
16(1)(c)	0						
16(1)(d)	0						

* I.A.: International Affairs Def.: Defence of Canada S.A.: Subversive Activities

2.3 Exclusions

Section	Number of Requests	Section	Number of Requests	Section	Number of Requests
68(a)	0	69(1)	0	69(1)(g) re (a)	0
68(b)	0	69(1)(a)	0	69(1)(g) re (b)	0
68(c)	0	69(1)(b)	0	69(1)(g) re (c)	0
68.1	0	69(1)(c)	0	69(1)(g) re (d)	0
68.2(a)	0	69(1)(d)	0	69(1)(g) re (e)	0
68.2(b)	0	69(1)(e)	0	69(1)(g) re (f)	0
		69(1)(f)	0	69.1(1)	0

2.4 Format of information released

Disposition	Paper	Electronic	Other Formats
All disclosed	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	1	0	0
Total	1	0	0

2.5 Complexity

2.5.1 Relevant pages processed and disclosed

Disposition of Requests	Number of Pages Processed	Number of Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests
All disclosed	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	121	121	1
All exempted	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0
Request abandoned	0	0	0
Neither confirmed nor denied	0	0	0

2.5.2 Relevant pages processed and disclosed by size of requests

Disposition	Less Than 100 Pages Processed		101-500 Pages Processed		501-1000 Pages Processed		1001-5000 Pages Processed		More Than 5000 Pages Processed	
	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed
All disclosed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	0	0	1	121	0	0	0	0	0	0
All exempted	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Request abandoned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Neither confirmed nor denied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	1	121	0	0	0	0	0	0

2.5.3 Other complexities

Disposition	Consultation Required	Assessment of Fees	Legal Advice Sought	Other	Total
All disclosed	0	0	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	1	0	0	0	1
All exempted	0	0	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0	0	0
Request abandoned	0	0	0	0	0
Neither confirmed nor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	0	0	1

2.6 Deemed refusals

2.6.1 Reasons for not meeting statutory deadline

Number of Requests Closed Past the Statutory Deadline	Principal Reason			
	Workload	External Consultation	Internal Consultation	Other
0	0	0	0	0

2.6.2 Number of days past deadline

Number of Days Past Deadline	Number of Requests Past Deadline Where No Extension Was Taken	Number of Requests Past Deadline Where An Extension Was Taken	Total
1 to 15 days	0	0	0
16 to 30 days	0	0	0
31 to 60 days	0	0	0
61 to 120 days	0	0	0
121 to 180 days	0	0	0
181 to 365 days	0	0	0
More than 365 days	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

2.7 Requests for translation

Translation Requests	Accepted	Refused	Total
English to French	0	0	0
French to English	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

Part 3: Extensions

3.1 Reasons for extensions and disposition of requests

Disposition of Requests Where an Extension Was Taken	9(1)(a) Interference With Operations	9(1)(b) Consultation		9(1)(c) Third-Party Notice
		Section 69	Other	
All disclosed	0	0	0	0
Disclosed in part	0	0	0	0
All exempted	0	0	0	0
All excluded	0	0	0	0
No records exist	0	0	0	0
Request abandoned	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

3.2 Length of extensions

Length of Extensions	9(1)(a) Interference With Operations	9(1)(b) Consultation		9(1)(c) Third-Party Notice
		Section 69	Other	
30 days or less	0	0	0	0
31 to 60 days	0	0	0	0
61 to 120 days	0	0	0	0
121 to 180 days	0	0	0	0
181 to 365 days	0	0	0	0
365 days or more	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Part 4: Fees

Fee Type	Fee Collected		Fee Waived or Refunded	
	Number of Requests	Amount	Number of Requests	Amount
Application	1	\$5	0	\$0
Search	0	\$0	0	\$0
Production	0	\$0	0	\$0
Programming	0	\$0	0	\$0
Preparation	0	\$0	0	\$0
Alternative format	0	\$0	0	\$0
Reproduction	0	\$0	0	\$0
Total	1	\$5	0	\$0

Part 5: Consultations Received From Other Institutions and Organizations

5.1 Consultations received from other Government of Canada institutions and organizations

Consultations	Other Government of Canada Institutions	Number of Pages to Review	Other Organizations	Number of Pages to Review
Received during reporting period	1	3	0	0
Outstanding from the previous reporting period	0	0	0	0
Total	1	3	0	0
Closed during the reporting period	1	3	0	0
Pending at the end of the reporting period	0	0	0	0

5.2 Recommendations and completion time for consultations received from other Government of Canada institutions

Recommendation	Number of Days Required to Complete Consultation Requests							Total
	1 to 15 Days	16 to 30 Days	31 to 60 Days	61 to 120 Days	121 to 180 Days	181 to 365 Days	More Than 365 Days	
Disclose entirely	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Disclose in part	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exempt entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exclude entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Consult other institution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

5.3 Recommendations and completion time for consultations received from other organizations

Recommendation	Number of Days Required to Complete Consultation Requests							Total
	1 to 15 Days	16 to 30 Days	31 to 60 Days	61 to 120 Days	121 to 180 Days	181 to 365 Days	More Than 365 Days	
Disclose entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disclose in part	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exempt entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exclude entirely	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Consult other institution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Part 6: Completion Time of Consultations on Cabinet Confidences

6.1 Requests with Legal Services

Number of Days	Fewer Than 100 Pages Processed		101-500 Pages Processed		501-1000 Pages Processed		1001-5000 Pages Processed		More Than 5000 Pages Processed	
	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed
1 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16 to 30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31 to 60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
61 to 120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
121 to 180	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
181 to 365	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
More than 365	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

6.2 Requests with Privy Council Office

Number of Days	Fewer Than 100 Pages Processed		101-500 Pages Processed		501-1000 Pages Processed		1001-5000 Pages Processed		More Than 5000 Pages Processed	
	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed	Number of Requests	Pages Disclosed
1 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16 to 30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31 to 60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
61 to 120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
121 to 180	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
181 to 365	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
More than 365	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Part 7: Complaints and Investigations

Section 32	Section 35	Section 37	Total
0	0	0	0

Part 8: Court Action

Section 41	Section 42	Section 44	Total
0	0	0	0

Part 9: Resources Related to the *Access to Information Act*

9.1 Costs

Expenditures		Amount
Salaries		\$900
Overtime		\$0
Goods and Services		\$0
• Professional services contracts	\$0	
• Other	\$0	
Total		\$900

9.2 Human Resources

Resources	Person Years Dedicated to Access to Information Activities
Full-time employees	0.01
Part-time and casual employees	0.00
Regional staff	0.00
Consultants and agency personnel	0.00
Students	0.00
Total	0.01

Note: Enter values to two decimal places.