

UNDERTAKING NO. J1.8

REFERENCE

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UNDERTAKING NO. J1.8: TO PROVIDE TOTAL BUDGET FOR CONSULTATION FOR
STAKEHOLDERS FOR IPSP.

RESPONSE

The Communications division's 2011 budget includes \$250 thousand for stakeholder consulting for the IPSP.

In addition, the Legal, Aboriginal and Regulatory Affairs Division's 2011 Budget provides \$900 thousand to engage with First Nations and Métis communities with regard to the IPSP. The expenditures are higher than general consulting due to the requirement to undertake the procedural aspects of any Crown duty to consult with all First Nation and Métis communities. This obligation requires the OPA to undertake a more extensive process than general stakeholder sessions, involving significant travel throughout the province, including to remote communities, by OPA staff and Aboriginal leadership.

