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Saskatchewan Information and Privacy Commissioner recommends an inspection or inquiry of Village's obstruction of the operation of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*

Saskatchewan Information and Privacy Commissioner, Ronald J. Kruzeniski Q.C., has issued his Review Report 204-2018 involving the Northern Village of Pinehouse. Kruzeniski stated:

My office will have now issued 13 Review Reports between 2013 and 2018 involving the Village. 12 of these reports deal with section 7 responses not being provided, delays in providing it or responses being inadequate. In addition, the Village did not cooperate with requests by my office in 10 of these cases.

And he further stated:

My office is concerned that the Mayor and the Village Administrator are obstructing the application of LA FOIP and believe that no town or village should be able to flagrantly disregard or obstruct the operation of a provincial statute. ... The Minister of Government Relations has the power to direct an inspection or inquiry. I am recommending that the Minister direct an inspection or inquiry into the Village's obstruction of LA FOIP.

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For copies of Review Report 204-2018, go to www.oipc.sk.ca under the *Reports* tab.

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