

## Personal Information International Disclosure Protection Act

2010 Annual Report

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## Message from the Minister of Justice

I am pleased to provide the fifth Annual Report regarding public body decisions to permit foreign access and storage of personal information, as authorized under the *Personal Information International Disclosure Protection Act* (PIIDPA). PIIDPA was created to enhance provincial privacy protection activities and respond to Nova Scotian concerns about the vulnerability of public sector and municipal personal information holdings to foreign access, storage and disclosure. The Act prohibits public sector entities, municipalities and their service providers from allowing foreign storage, disclosure or access to personal information, except to meet the "necessary requirements" of a public sector or municipal operations.

Under PIIDPA subsection 5(3), Nova Scotia public sector and municipal entities are required to report the decision and description of any foreign access and storage of personal information occurring from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 to the Minister of Justice. This report is based on the PIIDPA reports received by Nova Scotia Information Access and Privacy Office.

This report contains a summary of the 53 public sector and municipal entities who reported access or storage of personal information outside Canada, as subject to provisions within PIIDPA. This report describes the decisions made, the conditions or restrictions placed, and reasons explained by the public bodies to allow storage or access of personal information in its custody or under its control outside Canada after the PIIDPA was introduced. Note: 67 entities reported that there was no access or storage outside of Canada for the 2010 calendar year.

Original signed by the Minister

The Honourable Ross Landry

Minister of Justice and Attorney General

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## **Key to Columns in Submitted PIIDPA Reports**

- A: Description of the decision of the public body to allow storage or access of personal information in its custody or under its control outside Canada.
- B: Conditions or restrictions that the head of the public body has placed on such storage or access of personal information outside Canada.
- C: Reasons resulting in the head of the public body allowing storage or access of personal information outside Canada to meet the necessary requirements of the public body's operation.

Table 1: January 1 – December 31, 2010 Foreign Access and Storage by Government Departments, Agencies, Boards & Commissions <sup>1</sup>

Department	A (Description)	B (Conditions)	C (Reasons)
Agriculture	Investment Attraction - new entrants. Google Applications (analytics and mapping) are used as a website statistics and tracking software program. Google tracks website visitors via IP address and stores this information on servers located outside of Canada. Google Applications are used because they are user friendly and easily recognizable to the international client base the program focuses on attracting to Nova Scotia.	Investment Attraction - new entrants. The IP addresses are stored as part of the regular accounts being set up with Google Applications. We are not able to place any restrictions or conditions on the storage or access to this information outside of the company's regular privacy standards/set-ups.	Investment Attraction - new entrants. Individual IP addresses stored by Google Applications cannot be tracked back to an individual or location without the aid of the Internet Service Provider. This information is not released by an Internet Service Provider, except under extreme circumstance such as a court order. Therefore, it was decided that using Google Analytics is acceptable.
Chief Information Office (OCIO)	1. Symphony Services, located in California, was awarded a contract in 2006 by the Province of Nova Scotia (PNS) to supply and support an Expense Management System (EMS) which is used by the Infrastructure Service Management Group to rebill, on a monthly basis, all telecommunication costs to PNS users. A report was filed by the	1. Microsoft's Terminal Services allows Symphony Services to view the PNS database used by EMS to store personal information. However, it does not give Symphony Services the ability to remove or copy any files. Once Symphony Services work is completed, its access to the database is disabled by PNS and is only re-enabled by PNS during scheduled support services or troubleshooting work. Under the	1. The EMS solution was selected by PNS because Symphony Services was very familiar with the PNS telephone billing requirements (it had previously supplied both Tru Server and TIMS). Symphony Services has successfully migrated PNS data from Tru Server to EMS and its prior experience lowered the risk associated with the migration of data. There is currently no alternative method of support access for EMS within

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Aboriginal Affairs, Auditor General, Emergency Management Office, Human Rights Commission, Public Service Commission, Office of Acadian Affairs, Seniors, Waterfront Development Corporation reported that no personal information was accessed or retained outside of Canada.

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	Minister of The Chief Information Office pursuant to subsection 5(3) of the Personal Information International Disclosure Protection Act (PIIDPA), with respect to the award of the contract to Symphony Services in 2006. PNS subsequently renewed the contract in 2010 to permit Symphony Services to continue to provide support services for EMS. In the course of providing services, Symphony Services at times requires access to the EMS application and database in order to do scheduled support or troubleshooting work. This access is done through its office located in Dallas Texas, and is executed remotely, using Microsoft's Terminal Services on a server located in the PNS data centre. Microsoft's Terminal Services provides three levels of authentication and is only made available by PNS to Symphony Services during scheduled times. When access is provided to Symphony Services it is monitored by PNS employees.	agreement with PNS, Symphony Services covenants that it will comply with its obligations as a service provider under PIIDPA and will strictly enforce the security arrangements required to protect personal information to which it has access. Symphony Services is also required to confirm the details of those security requirements upon receipt of a request to do so from PNS. PNS employees may at any time travel to the offices of Symphony Services to inspect the security measures it has put in place to protect such personal information.	Canada.

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	2. Check Point Software Technologies Limited provides technical support services to our Firewall environment. There are times when Canadian-based technical support services cannot resolve a technical issue and have to raise the issue with the Check Point's technical head office location in Redwood, California. We would be engaging Check Point's senior technical staff who provide worldwide support of the product. They are based in California, but have support offices in Europe and Israel. In these rare circumstances internal (OCIO) resources allow a PC to be controlled from the external Check Point support resource and the PC screen would be monitored by Government internal resources. A support call may require a Check Point resource login to the firewall to troubleshoot an issue with OCIO staff. This is a rare occurrence, but may occur once every couple of years.	2. The connection to remote control a PC must be initiated by both sides of the connection. Internal support does not leave the terminal while external support is working on the solution. The remote connection does not allow external support to transfer any data remotely. This connection allows internal support the see every step that it takes in order to resolve the problem and/or the option to disconnect the link if and when required. If any system data, not personal data, is required to be sent, it will be sent through a secure encrypted channel.	2. This generic method of external support will: a.Not allow the transfer of personal information over the connection. b.Connectivity will only be enabled upon connection initiation from both sides. No connectivity is automated. It is setup upon a phone call between internal and remote access support and agreement of work to be performed. The connection will not be automatically available for any reason. c.Transfer of any system information will be performed through a secure encrypted methodology. Personal information is not to be sent.
	3. Hewlett-Packard Co. provides technical support services to our	3. The connection to remote control a PC must be initiated by both sides of the	3. This generic method of external support will: a.Not allow the transfer of

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	current operational environment (Hardware Infrastructure and HP Software Suite Openview/Service Manager). There are times when Canadian-based technical support services cannot resolve a technical issue and have to raise the issue with the Hewlett-Packard technical support based locations across the United States. We would be engaging Hewlett-Packard senior technical staff, who provide worldwide support of the product. They are based in the United States (Palo Alto, CA), but have support offices worldwide. In these circumstances OCIO would allow a PC to be controlled by the external Hewlett-Packard support resource and the PC screen would be monitored by OCIO staff.	connection. OCIO Staff do not leave the terminal while Hewlett-Packard is working on the solution. The remote connection does not allow external support to transfer any data remotely. This connection allows internal support the see every step required to resolve the problem and/or the option to disconnect the link if and when required. If any system data, not personal data, is required to be sent, it will be sent through a secure encrypted channel.	personal information over the connection. b.Connectivity will only be enabled upon connection initiation from both sides. No connectivity is automated. It is setup upon a phone call between internal and remote access support and agreement of work to be performed. The connection will not be automatically available for any reason. c.Transfer of any system information will be performed through a secure encrypted methodology. Personal information is not to be sent.
	4. Novell provides technical support services to our current operational environment (file and print sharing, authentication and identity management, server operating system, GroupWise, ZenWorks, etc.). There are times when Canadian-based technical	4. The connection to remote control a PC must be initiated by both sides of the connection. OCIO Staff do not leave the terminal while Novell is working on the solution. The remote connection does not allow external support to transfer any data remotely. This connection allows internal support the see every	4. This generic method of external support will: a.Not allow the transfer of personal information over the connection. b.Connectivity will only be enabled upon connection initiation from both sides. No connectivity is automated. It is setup upon a phone call between internal and remote access support and agreement of

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	support services cannot resolve a technical issue and have to raise the issue with the Novell's technical support with offices across the United States. We would be engaging Novell's senior technical staff, who provide worldwide support of the product. They are based in the United States, but have support offices worldwide. OCIO would allow a PC to be controlled by the external Novell support and the PC screen would be monitored by OCIO staff.	step required to resolve the problem and/or the option to disconnect the link if and when required. If any system data, not personal data, is required to be sent, it will be sent through a secure encrypted channel.	work to be performed. The connection will not be automatically available for any reason. c. Transfer of any system information will be performed through a secure encrypted methodology. Personal information is not to be sent.
	5. Barracuda Networks Inc. provides technical support services to Email Spam Appliances. There may be times when OCIO staff cannot resolve a technical issue and have to raise the issue with the Barracuda technical head office location in Campbell, CA. We would be engaging Barracuda's senior technical staff, who provide worldwide support of the product. They are based in the United States, but have support offices worldwide. In these rare	5. The connection to remote control a PC must be initiated by both sides of the connection. OCIO Staff do not leave the terminal while Barracuda is working on the solution. The remote connection does not allow external support to transfer any data remotely. This connection allows internal support the see every step required to resolve the problem and/or the option to disconnect the link if and when required. If any system data, not personal data, is required to be sent, it will be sent through a secure encrypted channel.	5. This generic method of external support will: a.Not allow the transfer of personal information over the connection. b.Connectivity will only be enabled upon connection initiation from both sides. No connectivity is automated. It is setup upon a phone call between internal and remote access support and agreement of work to be performed. The connection will not be automatically available for any reason. c.Transfer of any system information will be performed through a secure encrypted methodology. Personal information is not to be sent.

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Department	circumstances OCIO would allow a PC to be controlled by the external Barracuda support resource and the PC screen would be monitored by OCIO staff.  6. Microsoft provides technical support services to our current operational environment (Active Directory, Server Operating Systems, Microsoft SQL Server, etc.). There are times when Canadian-based technical support services cannot resolve a technical issue and have to raise the issue with the Microsoft's technical support based locations across the United States. We would be engaging Microsoft's senior technical staff, who provide worldwide support of the product. They are based in the United States, but have support offices	6. The connection to remote control a PC must be initiated by both sides of the connection. OCIO Staff do not leave the terminal while Microsoft is working on the solution. The remote connection does not allow external support to transfer any data remotely. This connection allows internal support the see every step required to resolve the problem and/or the option to disconnect the link if and when required. If any system data, not personal data, is required to be sent, it will be sent through a secure encrypted channel.	6. This generic method of external support will: a.Not allow the transfer of personal information over the connection. b. Connectivity will only be enabled upon connection initiation from both sides. No connectivity is automated. It is setup upon a phone call between internal and remote access support and agreement of work to be performed. The connection will not be automatically available for any reason. c. Transfer of any system information will be performed through a secure encrypted methodology. Personal information is not to be sent.
	worldwide. In these circumstances OCIO would allow a PC to be controlled by the external Microsoft support resource and the PC screen would be monitored by OCIO staff.		

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	7. IBM provides technical support services to critical hardware infrastructure servers and storage area network equipment. There are times when internal resources cannot resolve a technical issue and have to raise the issue with the IBM's Tier 4 Technical Support who have offices world-wide. In these rare circumstances internal (OCIO) resources allow a PC to be controlled by the external IBM support resource and the PC screen would be monitored by OCIO staff.	7. The connection to remote control a PC must be initiated by both sides of the connection. OCIO support does not leave the terminal while IBM is working on the solution. The remote connection does not allow external support to transfer any data remotely. This connection allows OCIO to see every step required in order to resolve the problem and/or the option to disconnect the link if and when required. If any system data, not personal data, is required to be sent, it will be sent through a secure encrypted channel.	7. This generic method of external support will: a.Not allow the transfer of personal information over the connection. b.Connectivity will only be enabled upon connection initiation from both sides. No connectivity is automated. It is setup upon a phone call between internal and remote access support and agreement of work to be performed. The connection will not be automatically available for any reason. c.Transfer of any system information will be performed through a secure encrypted methodology. Personal information is not to be sent.
	8. Polycom Inc. provides technical support services to Video Conferencing environment, the Bridge and Converged Management Application Appliance. There are times when internal resources cannot resolve a technical issue and have to raise the issue with the Polycom's technical head office location in San Jose, CA. We would be engaging Polycom's senior technical staff, who provide worldwide support of the product.	8. The connection to remote control a PC must be initiated by both sides of the connection. OCIO support does not leave the terminal while Polycom is working on the solution. The remote connection does not allow external support to transfer any data remotely. This connection allows OCIO to see every step required in order to resolve the problem and/or the option to disconnect the link if and when required. If any system data, not personal data, is required to be sent, it will be sent through a secure encrypted channel.	8. This generic method of external support will: a.Not allow the transfer of personal information over the connection. b. Connectivity will only be enabled upon connection initiation from both sides. No connectivity is automated. It is setup upon a phone call between internal and remote access support and agreement of work to be performed. The connection will not be automatically available for any reason. c. Transfer of any system information will be performed through a secure encrypted methodology. Personal information is not to be sent.

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	They are based in the United		
	States, but have support offices		
	worldwide. In these rare		
	circumstances internal (OCIO)		
	resources allow a PC to be		
	controlled by the external		
	Polycom support resource and the		
	PC screen would be monitored by		
	OCIO staff.		
	9. Cisco Systems Inc. provides	9. The connection to remote control a	9. This generic method of external
	technical support services to	PC must be initiated by both sides of the	support will: a.Not allow the transfer of
	Layer 2 and Layer 3 Networking	connection. OCIO Staff do not leave the	personal information over the connection.
	Equipment. There are times when	terminal while Cisco is working on the	b.Connectivity will only be enabled upon
	Canadian-based technical support	solution. The remote connection does	connection initiation from both sides. No
	services cannot resolve a technical	not allow external support to transfer	connectivity is automated. It is setup
	issue and have to raise the issue	any data remotely. This connection	upon a phone call between internal and
	with the Cisco's technical support	allows internal support the see every	remote access support and agreement of
	based locations across the United	step required to resolve the problem	work to be performed. The connection
	States. We would be engaging	and/or the option to disconnect the link	will not be automatically available for
	Cisco's senior technical staff, who	if and when required. If any system data,	any reason. c.Transfer of any system
	provide worldwide support of the	not personal data, is required to be sent,	information will be performed through a
	product. They are based in the	it will be sent through a secure encrypted	secure encrypted methodology. Personal
	United States, but have support	channel.	information is not to be sent.
	offices worldwide. In these		
	circumstances OCIO would allow		
	a PC to be controlled by the		
	external Cisco support resource		
	and the PC screen would be		
	monitored by OCIO staff.		

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Communications NS <sup>2</sup>	Under the Province of Nova Scotia privacy policy, Internet IP (Internet Protocol) addresses are considered personal information. For three Internet-related initiatives, "Nova Scotia Come to Life website, Come to Life Pomegranate, and Come to life Canada's University Capital, we used a web statistical analysis service called Google Analytics that involved storing IP addresses on Google's servers in the United States. One employee went to Boston, Dec. 2 - 5 for the annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony. She took a Blackberry and laptop. Both were password protected and necessary for her work dealing with media, event guests, other provincial representatives and to stay in touch with her office in Halifax. Another employee also went to Boston June 2-4 and took his Blackberry so he could check for messages. It was password protected. Two employees from Communications Nova Scotia	This information is subject to the Google Privacy Policy outlines its responsibility to protect any personal information it collects against any unauthorized access, disclosure, or destruction. It further details that they will not share any personal information without prior consent unless it is to comply with applicable laws.) The equipment was accessed only by the Communications Nova Scotia employees.	Communications Nova Scotia is accountable in our business plan to report on the effectiveness of major Internet (and other) campaigns. Use of Google Analytics enabled us to collect and report on accurate statistics about how many visitors came to our websites, from where, and approximately how long they stayed. This information allows us to refine our marketing and advertising strategies ensuring that we provide best value to the government. Blackberrys were necessary to make calls, use Twitter and access messages. The laptop was used for writing material and communications.

<sup>2</sup> Note: employees traveling outside of Canada are either traveling for business, or carry their electronic devices to maintain contact with their offices while on vacation.

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	went to Las Vegas. One from January 22-28 and took her Blackberry. The Blackberry was password protected, and necessary to check for work-related messages. The other employee went from October 14-18. His was also password protected and used for e-mail and to communicate through Twitter.		
Communities, Culture & Heritage	Nova Scotia Archives and Records Management  Decision to allow primary service provider (Unisys Canada Inc.) for Internet resource NOVA SCOTIA HISTORICAL VITAL STATISTICS ONLINE (NSHVSO) operated by Tourism, Culture and Heritage (Archives and Records Management Division) to outsource to service sub-provider (Skipjack, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA), part of the transaction processing, and storage during processing, of credit card information collected from service clients during online interactive commercial activity. Decision to continue an active	No disclosure to, or retention of credit card personal information by service sub-provider outside Canada except as required to carry out and verify online commercial transactions with NSHVSO service clients.	Commercial component of NSHVSO online service depends on client's ability to prepay for copies online via credit card transaction conducted in real time. Due to the global character of today's financial services industry, it is extremely unlikely that online credit card transactions can be completed and verified without the personal information collected during transaction processing being stored, accessed from or disclosed outside Canada.

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	Facebook page, titled 'Nova		
	Scotia Archives and Records		
	Management' and registered as		
	http://www.facebook.com/novasc		
	otiaarchives. Contents on page		
	consist entirely of external links		
	to public-domain content on		
	NSARM Website,		
	www.gov.ns.ca/nsarm. 'Fan Page'		
	feature on NSARM Website		
	allows Internet visitors to see		
	Facebook postings without a link		
	or account.		
	Decision to continue an active		
	Twitter site, titled 'Nova Scotia		
	Archives' and registered as		
	http://twitter.com/NS_Archives.		
	Contents on page consist entirely		
	of external links to public-domain		
	content on NSARM Website,		
	www.gov.ns.ca/nsarm. Internet		
	visitors can view NSARM Twitter		
	feeds via RSS without a Twitter		
	account.		
	Decision to launch and maintain a		
	YouTube channel, titled 'Nova		
	Scotia Archives' and registered as		
	http://www.youtube.com/user/nsa		
	<u>rchives/</u> . Contents on channel		

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	feature public-domain content (film clips) uploaded to the site. Link on NSARM Website at <a href="http://www.gov.ns.ca/nsarm/virtu_al/nsfilm/">http://www.gov.ns.ca/nsarm/virtu_al/nsfilm/</a> enables Internet visitors to access the channel without a YouTube account.		
	<u>Tourism</u>	Tourism	<u>Tourism</u>
	Novascotia.com uses Google Analytics as a website statistics software program. Google Analytics tracks website visitors via IP address and stores this information on servers located outside of Canada. The Tourism Division uses Google Analytics because of its unique ability to closely track our online tourism campaigns, goals and conversions.  As part of the Tourism Division's Social Media Campaign, we have posted photos, taken within Nova Scotia by our in-house photographer Wally Hayes, on flickr, Facebook, and Google Earth. Each of these companies	All the above mentioned information is stored as part of regular accounts being set up with Google Analytics, Google Earth, flickr, Facebook, YouTube and TripFilms. We are not able to place any restrictions or conditions on the storage or access to this information outside of the company's regular privacy standards/set-ups.  Names and addresses may only be used to fulfill requests received by the department. The department owns the database. CDI may only use the names and addresses once unless approval is received from the department.	Google Analytics - Individual IP addresses cannot be tracked back to an individual or location without the aid of the Internet Service Provider. This information is not released by an Internet Service Provider, except under extreme circumstance such as a court order. Therefore, it was decided that using Google Analytics is acceptable.  The photos which are housed on servers outside of Canada (flickr, Google Earth, Facebook) are the same photos which are displayed to world on the provincial tourism website <a href="https://www.novascotia.com">www.novascotia.com</a> and can be easily removed at any time upon request.  The videos stored on YouTube and TripFilms which feature personal information are negotiated with

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	U.S. companies and have their		actors/video submitters prior to being
	servers located outside of Canada.		posted on the internet and can also be
	We decided to post photos and		easily removed upon request.
	information on flickr, Facebook,		
	and Google Earth as they are		The department has contracted CDI to
	among the top performing social		provide fulfilment services to ensure that
	media websites in relation to our		the potential visitor to Nova Scotia
	tourism target market.		receives their literature promptly in a cost
			effective way. The department previously
	Also as part of the Tourism		fulfilled U.S. and international requests
	Division's Social Media		from Canada and the delivery time was
	Campaign, we have posted videos		too long and too expensive for the service
	on YouTube and TripFlims. Two		received. We require the use of this
	types of videos have been posted.		company as the information resides in the
	First, is Nova Scotia Tourism		U.S.
	produced videos which have actor		
	rights negotiated and the second		
	are user generated videos. The		
	creators of the user generated		
	videos have signed Terms and		
	Conditions which state that Nova		
	Scotia Tourism can use their		
	video to promote the province.		
	The department has contracted		
	Cloutier Direct Inc. (CDI) of		
	Scarborough, Maine to mail Nova		
	Scotia tourism information to		
	potential visitors from the U.S.		
	and other countries. The requests		
	are received through our customer		

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	contact centre/call centre, located in Halifax, through the Novascotia.com website and through regular mail. On a daily basis, CDI downloads U.S. and international requests from our contact centre and mails out the requested information.  Heritage  Continued use of a Facebook page, titled 'Nova Scotia Museum'. Contents on page consist entirely of Nova Scotia Museum Event listings and links to content on the Nova Scotia Museum websites, http://museum.gov.ns.ca. 'Find us on Facebook website allows Internet visitors to view Facebook postings.	Heritage N/A	Heritage  In keeping with Direction 3 of the Heritage Strategy, to increase public recognition of the value and relevance of the province's rich heritage, the Promotions team has developed a marketing plan that includes developing a dynamic online presence; a key competent of this plan is utilizing social media platforms to increase public recognition.
	Continued use of a Twitter site, titled 'Nova Scotia Museum' and registered as <a href="http://twitter.com/NS_Museum">http://twitter.com/NS_Museum</a> . Contents on page consist entirely of Nova Scotia Museum Event listings and links to content on the		

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	Nova Scotia Museum websites, http://museum.gov.ns.ca. 'Follow us on Twitter »' link on the NSM		
	parent website allows Internet		
	visitors to view the Twitter feed		
	without an account. Internet		
	visitors can also view the NSM		
	Twitter feed without a Twitter		
	account using RSS.		
Community	Children in Care of the Minister	Information provided in these situations	
Services	of Community Services may	is to be used solely for the purpose of the	
	require treatment services that are	determination of placement and the	
	not available in the Province of	development of treatment plans for	
	Nova Scotia and on occasion	children.	
	within Canada. During the 2010		
	calendar year, three children in		
	care were placed in residential		
	treatment facilities in the US to receive residential treatment		
	services.		
	services.		
	As part of the referral for		
	placement to a treatment facility,		
	information concerning the child,		
	any medical diagnosis, treatment		
	needs and relevant family		
	information is shared with the		
	placing facility. This information		
	is provided to ensure that the		
	facility will be able to meet the		

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	child's clinical needs and for the		
	purposes of developing an		
	appropriate treatment plan for the child. Information provided to		
	the placing facility would include		
	electronic information such as e-		
	mails with agency social workers		
	in Nova Scotia and paper copies		
	of the information identified		
	above.		
	The Department of Community	Prior to forwarding the home studies and	
	Services signed a licensing	questionnaires, all identifying personal	
	agreement with the Consortium	information was removed by staff of	
	for Children of San Rafael,	Community Services. Single initials	
	California, for the use of a home	remained to assist in the readability of	
	study methodology known as	the home studies.	
	Structures Family Analysis		
	Evaluation (SAFE). SAFE is	Only individuals assigned to the audit by the Consortium for Children were	
	copyrighted by the Consortium for Children who own all rights to	permitted access to the information from	
	SAFE.	the home studies and questionnaires in	
	SAI L.	order to accomplish the objectives of the	
	As part of the licensing	audit.	
	agreement, the Consortium for		
	Children agreed to perform a	The Consortium for Children agreed that	
	yearly audit of files to enable	the home studies and questionnaires	
	quality control and identify staff	were to be considered confidential and	
	training needs. Access to the	proprietary to Community Services and	
	home studies and supporting	the Consortium for Children agreed to	
	questionnaires completed by the	hold the same in confidence. They have	

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	staff of the Department of Community Services is necessary in order to fulfill the terms of the licensing agreement.  A confidentiality agreement was signed with the Consortium for Children outlining the conditions placed on the storage and access of personal information outside Canada.	agreed not to use the confidential information other than for the purposes of the audit to enable quality control and identify refresher needs and to disclose the results only to the Manger of Adoption Services, Department of Community Services.  The Consortium for Children agreed to return all copies of the home studies and questionnaires at the completion of the audit by courier and not to use the home studies for further training or demonstration.  The Consortium for Children agreed that the home studies and questionnaires would be kept secure at its offices.	
Community Services – NS	Since 2002, the Nova Scotia Housing Development	Under the terms of the contract, Yardi agrees that it will not "use, disseminate	Before entering into this arrangement, staff from the Housing Authorities (an
Housing	Corporation has contracted Yardi	or in any way disclosure any of the	agent of the Nova Scotia Housing
Development	Systems, Inc. under an alternate	confidential information" of the Nova	Development Corporation) and the NS
Corporation	services provider (ASP)	Scotia Housing Development	Department of Community Services
	agreement to provide Tier II	Corporation to "any person, firm or	underwent an RFP process and through a
	application support and	business except to the extent it is	structured evaluation process of the
	maintenance as well as to manage	necessary" to perform its obligations or	proposals received, determined by the
	the applicable hardware	exercise its rights.	Yardi Systems software operated under
	configuration necessary to operate the application. Tier II		an ASP agreement was the best solution. The software provided the best business

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	application support is provided by		functionality based on criteria defined at
	the Yardi Canadian offices		the time of the RFP process for the costs
	operated in Mississauga, Ontario		proposed. The technical framework
	once issues reported are vetted by		proposed to operate this software was
	Housing Authority IT staff. The		deemed acceptable based on criteria
	data is stored on database servers		defined at the time of the RFP process for
	located at a Data Centre in		the costs proposed.
	Mississauga, Ontario operated by		
	Q9 Networks. The application		
	and database servers are managed		
	by the Yardi Systems ASP Group		
	located in Santa Barbara,		
	California. This access is		
	ongoing in order to ensure the		
	ongoing operation and efficient		
	performance of the server		
	environment and the Yardi		
	Voyager application itself and		
	minimize service disruptions to		
	Housing Authority users. This		
	group is also responsible for		
	applying operating system patches		
	and system upgrades as required.		
<b>Economic and</b>	N/A	N/A	NS Tourism report included in that of
Rural			former Department of Tourism, Culture
Development			and Heritage, now Communities, Culture
and Tourism			and Heritage.

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Education	1. Nova Scotia Provincial Library (NSPL) maintains an integrated library system (ILS) on a costrecovery basis for a consortium consisting of 64 branch libraries in eight regional library systems, and four government department libraries. The ILS provides a library catalogue, a purchasing module, and a circulation module (check-in/check-out, and client information). Without an ILS, the libraries could not operate; this service has been identified in the Department of Education's Business Continuity Plan as 'Essential' (Level 3).The ILS contains personal information about identifiable individuals (library clients in Nova Scotia), including name, address, telephone number and email address. This personal information is voluntarily given when a client registers for a library card. Attached to the clients' account number are titles currently on loan to the individual, those for which the individual has been billed and/or has paid, and those which the user	1. NSPL has implemented reasonable security measures to protect personal and other information in the ILS. The ILS software is maintained on a secure server in Brunswick Place. The contract with the company stipulates that NSPL staff must be contacted when the company requires access to the ILS server. NSPL enables SirsiDynix to access the server for specific upgrade activities at predetermined time periods, at the end of which SirsiDynix staff are logged out by NSPL staff. NSPL staff monitor and audit to ensure the access is reasonable and appropriate. SirsiDynix has no operational requirements to access personal information about clients. Therefore, the risk of access to personal information about Nova Scotians by SirsiDynix is low, but it is technologically possible.	1. The decision was made to continue to with SirsiDynix because there is no Canadian alternative. There are four major ILS vendors in the world who offer systems with the functionality required by libraries in the NSPL consortium, none of which are Canadian. When NSPL chose Sirsi in 2003, the company was a Canadian corporation. In 2005, Sirsi was purchased by Dynix, an American company. The company serves customers worldwide from its base in the United States.

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	has requested. Transaction logs, maintained at NS Provincial Library, DOE, are retained for 3 months. The ILS is owned by an American Company, SirsiDynix, and access to personal client information from outside Canada is possible with SirsiDynix. There is no Canadian vendor which supplies a similar product.		
	2. A number of Department of Education staff traveled outside Canada and had the ability to access personal information contained in email or stored in GroupWise email system, using devices such as the BlackBerry and laptops.	2. Remote access to GroupWise is protected by surname/password authentication and is delivered over an SSL-encrypted link via the secure Blackberry GroupWise server.	2. When staff travel for business reasons (e.g., meetings, conferences), they are expected to monitor their e-mail and voice mail where possible. Therefore, it is necessary for them to check e-mail remotely, where possible, in order to fulfill their responsibilities.
	3. The Provincial Student Information System (SIS) is used by the Nova Scotia education system (schools, school board, Department of Education) to manage school operations, including processes such as student registration and enrolment, attendance, student	3. The Department of Education has implemented reasonable security measures to protect electronic storage of personal and other information in the SIS. The information and software are maintained in a secure environment housed at the Department of Education, Brunswick Place, Halifax, NS	3. The decision to contract with Pearson for provision of the Student Information System was reached after an extensive evaluation of vendor products through a tendering process.  Pearson was chosen due to its superior functional capability in meeting the requirements of the Nova Scotia
	scheduling, behavior, student	The contract with the service provider	education system as well as its standing

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	progress, individual program plans and school accreditation. In addition, the system is used to analyze and report on student achievement and other vital student, school and program data for policy and program decisions.  The SIS contains personal information regarding students and parents including names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, medical, behavioural incidents and academic records.  This information about students and parents is necessary for the Nova Scotia education system to manage student enrollment and education from grade primary through high school.	(Pearson School Systems) stipulates that Department of Education staff will authorize access to the environment by Pearson technical staff located in Rancho Cordova, California, USA, for the purpose of providing periodic technical support. Such access will be limited to predetermined time periods at the end of which access is terminated by Department staff. Department staff monitor and audits to ensure the access is reasonable and appropriate. Pearson has no operational requirements to access personal information about clients. Therefore, the risk of access to student and parent's personal information by Pearson is low but it is technologically possible.	as a leading distributor of Student Information System software worldwide.
Energy	Travel: Staff traveling outside of Canada may have taken electronic devices including Blackberries and laptop computers which may store and/or access personal information.	Travel: Remote access to staff email accounts through web access to GroupWise is protected by username/password authentication and is delivered over an SSL-encrypted link via the secure Blackberry GroupWise server.	<u>Travel:</u> When staff travel for work related matters, they may need to carry electronic devices (e.g. Blackberries, laptops) in order to monitor email and/or conduct business for operational purposes.

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Environment	There were two instances where employees traveled outside of the country with their Blackberry's and one of these employees also traveled with their laptop.	No restrictions or conditions were placed on storage or access of the personal information outside of Canada. IAP Office was only notified of the travel after the fact. There would be a very low probability that personal information of Nova Scotians was contained on any of these devices based on the nature of the employees' jobs.	Employees did not access any personal information contained on their devices while out of the country.
Film Nova Scotia	Approximately 3 staff members traveled outside Canada on business. These staff members had the ability to access personal information carried on email or stored in GroupWise via remote access to the GroupWise email system.	N/A	When staff are traveling outside of Canada for business reasons, they are expected to monitor their email in order to fulfill their job responsibilities.
Finance	1. Remote Access - Staff members who traveled outside Canada may have had the ability to access personal information via remote e-mail, Blackberry, or by personal computer.	1. Remote access to e-mail is protected by username/password authentication and is delivered over a secure Blackberry GroupWise server. All blackberries must be password protected. TS web access control software is protected by username/password authentication.	1. When staff travel, they are sometimes expected to conduct business or maintain contact with operations.
	2. It was necessary for government accounting staff, who are authorized and who were out of the country, to access the	2. Access to the SAP system occurred over a secure network connection that prevents other parties from gaining access to the SAP systems. TS web	2. There is a limited number of staff in Government Accounting who are authorized to perform routine and emergency support for the SAP

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	provincial SAP systems (Financials) via secure remote network connection in order to provide routine and emergency support.	access control software is used in the Provincial Government to ensure the protection of personal information while being accessed remotely. Access is restricted and controlled by the Province and no transaction to SAP systems is permitted without the knowledge and approval of Division management.	(Financials) system. Remote access services are required to meet the mandate of the Government Accounting Division in the performance of services to numerous departments.
	3. The Department of Finance operates SAP systems for the public sector including provincial departments, school boards, regional housing authorities, district health authorities and IWK Health Centre, Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation and several municipal organizations. It is necessary that remote access to public sector SAP systems be performed by SAP Support Staff via secure network connections to provide routine and emergency support maintenance. Following a highly audited and controlled management approval process, access to SAP systems occurred several times throughout the	3. When SAP Support Staff have reason to access any of the Province's SAP systems as a part of problem remediation, all production system transaction access is approved by CIS Division management and all access activity is recorded in an audit log so that verification can be done of whether personal information has been accessed. In addition, this access occurs over secure network connections that must be opened to allow SAP to enter a specific system. This secure network connection also prevents other parties from gaining unauthorized access to the SAP systems. This type of remote access very rarely involves actual access to personal information and is typically limited to system operations information. In cases	3. Access by SAP Support Staff is required from time to time in order to assist the CIS Division with remediation of technical problems with the SAP systems managed by the Division. This access is controlled by the Province and there is no access to SAP systems permitted without the knowledge and approval of CIS Division management. SAP provides their support services from international locations, in multiple time zones. There is currently no alternative method of support access for the SAP systems that would negate the need for access from outside Canada. These remote access services are required to meet the mandate of the CIS Division in the performance of services to various public sector organizations who use SAP.

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	correct or troubleshoot various problems within the SAP systems. Access was only from SAP's own secure internal support network and carried out by SAP staff resident in SAP service locations such as the United States, Ireland, Brazil, Germany and India.	potential access to personal information for the purposes of resolving a specific support problem, records and audit logs of that access are maintained. In all cases where access was granted to SAP support staff, specific controls on the time and duration of that access are maintained. There is no storage of data from SAP systems outside Canada.	
Halifax Dartmouth Bridge Commission	The Halifax Dartmouth Bridge Commission's (HDBC) MACPASS software application maintenance and support is provided by VESystems primarily located in Irvine California. VESystems provide both routine maintenance and upgrades, and thus have access to personal information through a portal to HHB's internal network. Access is fairly routine and would occur minimally once a month.	The access is controlled though a secure virtual private network and the services are provided for under the terms set out in an annual service agreement.	The MACPASS back office software application is a proprietary software application that is critical to HHB and its ability to conduct and operate its electronic toll collection program. The system was purchased in 2008 and has been maintained by its developer, VESystems, since implementation.
Halifax Regional Water Commission	Halifax Water authorized 52 staff members to transport personal information devices such as laptop computers, cell phones and electronic data storage devices outside of Canada.	These devices were taken by staff to ensure they remained in contact with other utility staff to fulfill operational responsibilities.	Halifax Water owns and operates water, wastewater and storm water systems which are deemed critical infrastructure by the Government of Canada.

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Health and Wellness	1. Storage: There were no approvals granted for the storage of personal information in the custody or control of the Department of Health outside of Canada from January 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010.  2. Access: The Department of Health granted the following approvals for access to personal information in the custody or control of the Department of Health outside of Canada from January 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010.		
	a. McKesson Corporation, STAR Patient Processing: The McKesson STAR Patient Processing system is the patient admission tool currently implemented in the CHDA. McKesson will be enhancing CDHA's patient admission tool to support the provincial Electronic Health Record's (EHR or SHARE's (Secure Health Record). Integration requirement for patient active admissions,	a. McKesson Corporation, STAR  Patient Processing: McKesson developers need to access the local provincial Client Registry from their offices, outside of Canada to deploy the software changes and test the enhanced software with the provincial Client Registry. The client Registry data will not be stored outside of the country.  McKesson's development staff will use a pre-existing secure 'data tunnel' to connect the McKesson test system to the provincial Client Registry test system to	a. McKesson Corporation, STAR  Patient Processing: McKesson will be enhancing CDHA's patient admission tool to support the provincial Electronic Health Record's (HER or SHARE's (Secure Health Record) integration requirement for patient active admissions, discharges and transfers. The McKesson product used to register patients in CDHA is proprietary to McKesson so no other vendor can perform the changes. The McKesson code and product development site is located in the United

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	discharges and transfers. The software vendor, McKesson, is developing, testing and implementing the software changes needed to supplement the CDHA registration through use of the provincial Client Registry data. McKesson developers need to access the local provincial Client Registry from their US based offices to deploy the software changes and test the enhanced software with the provincial Client Registry. The Client Registry data will not be stored outside of the country.	complete the enhancement testing. The provincial Client Registry is located in the HITS-NS data center. All users accessing the data will require security sign-on to the Star-Patient Processing system and will need to be given access to the provincial Client Registry integration by the hospital IT staff.  Select McKesson developers/testers will have access to the test system.  McKesson developers/testers will be pre-approved and must sign a confidentiality agreement. McKesson developer's/testers access will be terminated immediately at test completion which is forecast for April 30, 2010. No personal information will be downloaded or copied by McKesson. All requests into the registry will be tracked and audit reports provided for review.	States.
		McKesson Corporation is committed to following all Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA") regulations and all Ministry requirements for protecting patient information in Canada. HIPAA is United States federal law which includes provisions of the protection of privacy of	

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Department	b. FairWarning: FairWarning is an appliance based application that facilitates the creation of privacy audit reports for health information systems. The FairWarning tool allows audits to be conducted of user access to electronic health information	B (Conditions)  certain individually identifiable health information referred to as protected health information.  b. FairWarning: The Master Agreement with FairWarning prohibits storage or access of personal information outside of Canada unless the Department of Health consents in writing.  FairWarning's development staff will use a pre-existing secure 'data tunnel' (VPN) to connect to the information	b. <u>FairWarning:</u> The FairWarning application will be used to augment current user access audit approaches for various provincial health information systems. FairWarning is an appliance based application that facilitates the creation of privacy audit reports for health information systems. The
	systems. FairWarning staff require access from outside of Canada to assist in the set up and ongoing maintenance of the FairWarning application; this includes having access to the application audit log database that contains limited personal information. FairWarning may also assist in providing FairWarning application training to District Health Authority Privacy Leads and other appropriate DHA/Department of Health/HITS-NS staff using the application and audit log data.	stored on the appliance server to complete the configuration and testing of reports. The appliance server is located in the provincial data centre. Select FairWarning project managers/developers/testers will have access to the information. No personal information will be downloaded or copied by FairWarning. The FairWarning appliance keeps a log of all access to appliance/application. The vendor will also inform HITS-NS when they access the server to perform maintenance. Access logs will be reviewed for compliance. No patient data will be downloaded or copied from the appliance. FairWarning corporation is committed to	FairWarning tool allows audits to be conducted of user access to electronic health information systems. The application will be used to augment current user access audit approaches for various provincial health information systems.

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		following all Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA") regulations and all Ministry requirements for protecting patient information in Canada. HIPAA is United States federal law which includes provisions for the protection of privacy of certain individually identifiable health information referred to as protected health information.	
	3. DOH Employee Access: Between January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 twenty-seven staff of the Department of Health traveled outside Canada and has the ability to access personal information carried on e-mail or stored in GroupWise via remote access to the GroupWise system.	3. <b>DOH Employee Access:</b> The Department of Health <i>Transmission of Confidential Information by E-mail and Fax</i> guideline (2004) prohibits the inclusion of personal information in e-mail sent outside the GroupWise system unless the e-mail is encrypted and password protected. The Guideline also recommends limiting the inclusion of personal information contained in e-mail within the GroupWise system. Therefore, the amount of personal information held or sent by e-mail and, therefore, available for access while staff were outside the country, should be limited. All Blackberry devices issued by the Department are automatically password protected.	3. <u>DOH Employee Access:</u> When staff is traveling for business reasons (e.g., meetings, conferences), they are expected to monitor their e-mail and voice mail where possible. Therefore, it is necessary for them to check e-mail remotely where possible in order to fulfill their responsibilities.

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InNOVACorp	There were 8 individuals who traveled for business or pleasure, and through those 8, there were 19 different acts of access, which included VPN access, blackberry access and/or webmail. Access was within North American and included Arizona, California, Chicago, Florida, Maine, Massachusetts and Washington. In addition, InNOVACorp uses the following during the normal course of business IBM (formerly American Express) Online expense reporting - dates are Jan 01, 2010-Dec 31, 2010-Facebook and Twitter for social marketing purposes - dates are Jan 01-Dec 31, 2010- WebEx and Skype for web conferencing purposes - dates are Jan 01-Dec 31, 2010- SurveyMonkey is used for employee survey purposes - dates are March 1-August 30, 2010- Slimtimer for on-line time tracking purposes - dates are Jan 01-Dec 31, 2010.	VPN, blackberry and/or webmail access usage is password protected either through an individualized password or a company set password. Both types of passwords are changed on a regular schedule. Other items listed above require individual password sets and are changed on a regular basis.	For business continuity and maintenance, InNOVACorp senior management and other key staff must be able to store and access information, using various mobile and electronic devices, as long as there is a reasonable and direct connection to the person's job duties while traveling outside Canada.
Intergovern- mental Affairs	In 2010, Intergovernmental Affairs continued to use Iron Mountain's services for records	The service contract with Iron Mountain states:  1. Iron Mountain is to contact	This decision was made to address the issue that the department has limited space while at the same time business

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	storage. In 2006, we entered into a service contract with Iron Mountain Canada Corporation (a Canadian subsidiary of Iron Mountain Incorporated) for the storage of paper records which are not accessed regularly, but according to the STOR retention schedule were not eligible for storage at the Government Records Center. The offsite storage/retrieval/shredding vendor is a subsidiary of a US based company. The information is not transferred outside of Canada.	Intergovernmental Affairs upon the receipt of a subpoena or similar order unless such notice is prohibited by law.  2. Confidential Information shall be held in confidence by Iron Mountain and shall be used only in the manner contemplated by the agreement.  3. Iron Mountain shall use the same degree of care to safeguard the Confidential Information of Intergovernmental Affairs as it utilizes to safeguard its own Confidential Information.	activities create records that remain relevant for long periods of time. Iron Mountain specifically was chosen, because at the time no Canadian owned competitor in Nova Scotia could be found. Furthermore they are considered to be the industry lead. In the past year, Intergovernmental Affairs has made every effort to reduce its holdings at Iron Mountain. With a new STOR in place, Intergovernmental Affairs has removed 38% of the total records stored at Iron Mountain, having transferred them to the Government Records Centre or Provincial Archives. Additionally when selecting our new office location records needs were better factored into the design and active records will once again be held at the department. Intergovernmental Affairs plans to terminate its relationship with Iron Mountain by the end of the first quarter of the fiscal year 2011-2012.
Justice	1. In Legal Services, the litigation lawyers and administrative staff use a document management program called Practice Manager to store all case material. While the database is stored on DOJ servers, from time to time when there is an issue with the program,	Information is stored or accessed outside of Canada in compliance with contract.	

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	DOJ contacts the provider Automon, which is a US company, and to resolve the issue they conduct a live meeting in order to access the computer and program to see what's going on.		
	2. DOJ has approximately 1600 records stored with Iron Mountain. They are located at the Blue Water Acres facility but are an American owned company. Senior staff toured the facility in connection with privacy issues quite some time ago.		
	3. In accordance with the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, the Department of Justice acts as the Central Authority for Nova Scotia. A DOJ Lawyer represents the Central Authority for Nova Scotia in this regard. The role of the Central Authority involves		
	forwarding applications and information about the parents and children to the Central Authority in member states to which children have been taken or in which they are being retained.		

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	The Central Authority for Nova Scotia also facilitates applications commenced in Nova Scotia by left-behind parents in member states. In both incoming and outgoing cases, certain relevant personal information of the parents and children flows through the Nova Scotia Central Authority to member states in accordance with the requirements of the Convention.  4. Staff members who traveled outside Canada on business may have had the ability to access personal information via remote e-mail, Blackberry, personal computer or by any other means.  5. Staff members who traveled outside Canada on pleasure may have had the ability to access personal information carried on e-mail or stored on GroupWise via remote access to GroupWise email system.	<ul> <li>4. Remote access to Group Wise is protected by username/password authentication, and is delivered over and SSL-encrypted link via the secure Blackberry GroupWise server.</li> <li>5. Remote access to GroupWise is protected by username/password authentication, and is delivered over and SSL-encrypted link.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>4. When staff is travelling for business reasons they are expected to monitor their email and voicemail for business continuity purposes.</li> <li>5. When staff is traveling for pleasure they may be required to maintain contact with operations.</li> </ul>
Labour and Workforce Development	1. NS Labour &Workforce Development utilizes NRSPro.com (formerly GEDScoring.com) software for	1. The department has a contract with NRSPro which stipulates that all information will be kept private and confidential and will not be released to	1. The department completed an evaluation of options for delivery of the Nova Scotia GED program in November of 2001. It was determined that there

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	the purpose of storing and	any third party unless authorized by the	were only two vendors (OSS & NRSPro)
	processing information, in support	department in writing. The contract also	certified by GEDTS to conduct test
	of the General Educational	states that only personnel authorized by	scoring that the department felt confident
	Development (GED) program.	the department will be provided access	would be able to handle Canadian
	The GED is composed of a series	to store and retrieve Nova Scotia	requirements. Both vendors were
	of five tests that evaluates	information. The transmission is over a	application service providers (ASPs)
	participants' skills and knowledge	SSL connection using an encrypted link.	located in the USA. The ASP model
	in the areas of Language Arts-	The test results and certificates are also	included storage of the data at a vendor
	Reading, Language Arts-Writing,	available for viewing by authorized	location in the USA. At the present time,
	Mathematics, Social Studies, and	LWD staff on the NRSPro web site,	there is no option of a software solution
	Science. The GED is an	using the same security methods. A user	with data storage in Canada. The other
	internationally recognized	ID and password are also required for	option available to the department in
	assessment tool of high school	access. The department scans the test	2001 was to custom develop a system to
	equivalency. The GED credential	sheets locally and sends data to NRSPro	manage the GED program, and then
	is accepted by employers across	over an encrypted Secure Sockets Layer	apply for certification as a testing facility
	Nova Scotia and Canada, and	(SSL) connection. The information is	with GEDTS. This option was not
	serves an important function for	stored in a database at NRSPro located	chosen due to cost and time constraints to
	labour mobility. The GED tests	in Spanish Fork, Utah, USA, for	conform with GEDTS program changes
	are designed to measure the skills	processing and as a record for future	in 2002. This would have resulted in an
	that correspond to those of recent	reference. Continued storage is required	interruption in client service to allow
	high school graduates. The tests	for data retrieval and combining of score	time to design the system and obtain
	involve the ability to understand	results for students re-writing tests that	certification from GEDTS. In 2001, The
	and apply information; to	were not passed successfully. In the	department's decision was made to
	evaluate, analyze, and draw	event the department terminates services	contract with OSS (Oklahoma Scoring
	conclusions; and to express ideas	with NRSPro the data will be returned/	Service based in Norman, Oklahoma,
	and opinions in writing. Adults	transferred to the department or another	USA) for the 2002 GED test series, based
	who pass the five tests receive a	service provider and removed from the	on their extensive experience in GED
	Nova Scotia High School	NRSPro database.	test scoring, maturity of the software
	Equivalency certificate of Grade		solution, security methods in use for
	12. There are approximately 1500		transmission of information, and high
	tests conducted each year in Nova		reputation across educational

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	Scotia. The department scans the		jurisdictions. In addition, OSS came
	test sheets locally and sends data		highly recommended by GEDTS. In July,
	to NRSPro over an encrypted		2009 the department terminated our
	Secure Sockets Layer (SSL)		contract with OSS and began working
	connection. The information is		with NRSPro.com. Data was transferred
	stored in a database at NRSPro		to our new service provider, NRSPro.
	located in Spanish Fork, Utah,		NRSPro had been the department's
	USA, for processing and as a		scoring service provider from 1993 to
	record for future reference.		2001, prior to the release of the 2002 test
	Continued storage is required for		series and the new technical scoring
	data retrieval and combining of		requirements (uploads to the IDB). The
	score results for students re-		decision to switch to NRSPro came from
	writing tests that were not passed		polling other Canadian provinces. It was
	successfully. The test scoring is		determined that NRSPro provided an
	completed remotely by NRSPro		overall better service, including instant
	and the test results and certificates		scoring and immediate reporting times,
	are transmitted to the department		detailed reports, incorporating NS forms
	in PDF files for printing locally.		and letters as report options and allowing
	The information is transferred by		students and third-party verifiers to get
	NRSPro to the General		instant results online
	Educational Development Testing		
	Services (GEDTS) international		
	database. The international		
	database contains information		
	used for statistical reporting of		
	GED achievements by		
	jurisdiction. This includes		
	gender, age, country, province,		
	number of participants, number		
	passed, number failed, etc.		
	GEDTS is located in Washington		

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	D.C., the international database is housed by Marsys, a service provider located in Miami, Florida, with a backup database maintained at their office in San Mateo, California. Marsys have a contract with GEDTS for support and management of the GEDTS international database. The international database was established in support of the GED program and it is mandatory that jurisdictions agree to send data to GEDTS as part of the GED licensing agreement.  2. There were 8 employees who traveled outside Canada with a Blackberry device, with some contact information, and may have accessed personal information through email.		
Natural Resources	<ol> <li>There was no storage of personal information in the custody or control of the Department of Natural Resources outside of Canada from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.</li> <li>Staff members who traveled</li> </ol>	2. Remote access to Group Wise is protected by username / password	2. When staff are traveling for business reasons they are expected to monitor their

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	outside Canada on business may have had the ability to access personal information via remote e-mail, Blackberry, personal computer or by any other means.	authentication, and is delivered over an SSL-encrypted link via the secure Blackberry GroupWise server.	email and voice mail for business continuity purposes.
	3. Staff members who traveled outside Canada on pleasure may have had the ability to access personal information carried on email or stored in GroupWise via remote access to GroupWise	3. Remote access to Group Wise is protected by username / password authentication, and is delivered over an SSL-encrypted link	3. When staff is traveling for pleasure they may be required to maintain contact with operations.
	email system.  4. Off site record storage contracted with Iron Mountain Canada (subsidiary of the American Company)	4. Iron Mountain is to safeguard and maintain protected storage of the Departments Records. Iron Mountain Canada Corporation confirms that personal information is maintained and disclosed in accordance with our contractual arrangement in compliance with all applicable privacy legislation.	4. Off site storage of backup media/microfilm is required as part of the Disaster Recovery Program. The offsite storage is required to ensure recovery of vital records can be recovered should an incident occur.
Nova Scotia Business Inc.	1. salesforce.com inc – CRM data services – storage and access – individuals' business contact information	1. salesforce.com inc – CRM data services – storage and access – individuals' business contact information	1. salesforce.com inc – CRM data services – storage and access – individuals' business contact information
	Pursuant to s. 5(2) <i>PIIDPA</i> the head of Nova Scotia Business Inc (NSBI) determined the storage/access outside Canada of	The individuals' business contact information is to be protected in accordance with the sales.force.com inc master agreement and privacy statement	NSBI requires a robust and secure CRM platform to store and manage information necessary for the conduct of NSBI's relationships with its clients, prospective

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	individuals' business contact information in NSBI's custody/control, as part of customer relationship management (CRM) data services supplied under contract by salesforce.com inc (a Delaware, US corporation with its principal place of business in San Francisco, California) is to meet the necessary requirements of NSBI's operation.	which recognize NSBI as owner of the stored data and provide strong privacy protection and security processes. The service is certified as a "Safe Harbour" under the EU Directive on Data Privacy and is certified "TRUSTe" privacy compliant.	clients, partners and stakeholders. The Salesforce® data service was selected through independent evaluation and based on its superior standing in meeting predefined objective evaluation criteria (including service functionality, IT compatibility, data security, vendor experience and cost). The tangible risk of compromising these critical service requirements outweighs the remote risk of business contact information (given its more accessible public nature) being the target of a foreign demand for disclosure.
	2. VerticalResponse, Inc. – E-mail campaign management services – individuals' business contact information (primarily e-mail addresses)	2. VerticalResponse, Inc. – E-mail campaign management services – individuals' business contact information (primarily e-mail addresses)	2. VerticalResponse, Inc. – E-mail campaign management services – individuals' business contact information (primarily e-mail addresses)
	Pursuant to s. 5(2) <i>PIIDPA</i> the head of Nova Scotia Business Inc (NSBI) determined the storage/access outside Canada of individuals' business contact information (primarily e-mail addresses) in NSBI's custody/control, as part of e-mail campaign management services supplied under contract by	The individuals' business contact information (primarily e-mail addresses) is to be protected in accordance with the VerticalResponse, Inc. terms of service, privacy statement and anti-spam policy which recognize NSBI as owner of the stored data, provide strong privacy protection and security processes as is US CAN-SPAM Act compliant.	NSBI requires a secure anti-spam compliant e-mail campaign management service that can be integrated with its Salesforce.com CRM service for conducting notification to all or segments of its contacts about events, activities, services of interest to those persons. Domestic suppliers currently do not meet NSBI's technical, service, security and anti-spam requirements.

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	VerticalResponse, Inc. (a US corporation with its principal place of business in San Francisco, California) is to meet the necessary requirements of NSBI's operation.  3. International In-market consultants – trade development & investment attraction services – storage and access – personal information (primarily business contact information)  Pursuant to s. 5(2) PIIDPA the head of NSBI determined the storage/ access outside Canada of personal information (primarily business contact information) in NSBI's custody / control, as part of the investment attraction and trade development services supplied under contract by international in-market consultants (global) is to meet the necessary requirements of NSBI's operation.	3. International In-market consultants – trade development & investment attraction services – storage and access – personal information (primarily business contact information)  The personal information (primarily business contact information) is to be protected in accordance with the service agreement including confidentiality provisions.	3. International In-market consultants  – trade development & investment attraction services – storage and access  – personal information (primarily business contact information)  NSBI engages international in-market consultants as an essential and integral component of NSBI's trade development and investment attraction activities. The consultants are experts in the business environment within a business sector or geographic region of interest. International consultants operate from and travel outside Canada and must be able to store and access personal information (primarily business contact information) outside Canada in order to facilitate business connections / transactions in performing their contracted services.
	4. NSBI directors, officers, employees – performance of duties during international	4. NSBI directors, officers, employees  – performance of duties during international travel – storage and	4. NSBI directors, officers, employees – performance of duties during international travel – storage and

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	travel – storage and access – personal information	access – personal information	access – personal information
	Pursuant to s. 5(2) <i>PIIDPA</i> the head of NSBI determined the storage/access outside Canada of personal information in NSBI's custody/control, stored in, or accessed using, a mobile electronic device by an NSBI director, officer or employee for business continuity purposes during international travel, is to meet the necessary requirements of NSBI's operation.	Personal information stored in or accessed during a mobile electronic device by an NSBI director, officer or employee during international travel is to have a reasonable and direct connection to the person's job duties and be protected by the director, office or employee in accordance with the NSBI Code of Conduct and Oath of Office and the NSBI Privacy Policy.	For business continuity purposes, NSBI directors, officers, employees must be able to store and access, using a mobile electronic device, personal information that has a reasonable and direct connection to the person's job duties so the person can perform work responsibilities while traveling outside Canada.
Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation	1. Storage: There is storage of NSLC employee work hours and times in the U.S. to allow chosen service provider ADP to perform payroll functions on our behalf.	1. <b>Storage:</b> This was declared in a letter two years ago and nothing has changed since that time.	1. <b>Storage:</b> Our preferred payroll provider ADP does not provide time and attendance processing calculations where the data is stored only in Canada. Other service providers did not offer an adequate solution.
	2. <u>Travel:</u> There was access to personal information using wireless data devices including Blackberrys and laptops on a daily basis while employees were working outside Canada.	2. <u>Travel:</u> The conditions placed on such access involved the use of encryption via VPN technology and password protection.	2. <u>Travel:</u> Such access is granted to allow employees to perform some of their duties while absent from their offices.

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Public Prosecution Service	1. There was no storage of personal information outside Canada by the Public Prosecution Service in 2010.		
	2. There was access to personal information using wireless data devices, including Blackberries and laptops on a daily basis while staff visited countries outside Canada (Note: employees traveling outside of Canada are either traveling for business, or carry their electronic devices to maintain contact with their offices while on vacation) at the following locations: Czech Republic, The Netherlands, United Kingdom, Bermuda, Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire, Maui, New York, Florida, The Bahamas, Cayman Islands, Honduras, Mexico, Boston, Buffalo.	2. The conditions placed on access involved the use of encryption and password protection.	2. Access was granted in order to permit staff to discharge some of their responsibilities while absent from their offices.
Service Nova Scotia and	1. In 2006, L-1 Identity Solutions (formerly Digimarc) of Billerica,	1. Access from the Billerica and Fort Wayne locations is restricted via VPN	1. Access by L-1 Identity Solutions personnel in Billerica and Fort Wayne is
Municipal Relations	Massachusetts, was awarded a contract to provide Photo License/Photo ID equipment,	username/password and on the image/database server by the privileged account username/password. Access	an operational requirement in response to Photo License/Photo ID system outages that affect the delivery of customer

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Department	software integration, and support services to the Registry of Motor Vehicles. This contract included a major upgrade to the Photo License/ID Card system in 2010. The Photo License image/database server (a key component of the system which stores client photos, digitized signatures, personal information, and Driver Master Number) is located at the Provincial Data Center in Halifax, Nova Scotia. In 2006, Digimarc support technicians in Billerica, Massachusetts and Fort Wayne, Indiana were provided remote access via VPN to the image/database server in order to provide tier II/III support. Routine maintenance and support for this system is provided by Halifax-based L-1 field technicians, with the Billerica and Fort Wayne	B (Conditions)  will be in response to escalated support calls only.	Service.
	technicians acting as back-up personnel and/or handling escalated problems that the local technicians are unable to resolve.  2. The Interprovincial Record Exchange is a system that allows	2. CCMTA acts as the clearing house for all queries so that jurisdictions do not have direct read access to another	2. Promotion of road safety and law enforcement so that a driver's license or vehicle permit may not be fraudulently

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	Canadian motor vehicle jurisdictions to securely query other jurisdiction's driver and vehicle records. The Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA) acts as the clearing house and administrators for this system, and operates the secure network over which it runs. A partnership arrangement now exists with the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) to extend the system to the US.	jurisdiction's system. Queries are forwarded to/from member jurisdictions only (CCMTA & AAMVA). Queries are pre-formatted and specific as to what information is displayed. CCMTA has contracts with each of its member jurisdictions that conform to the jurisdiction's privacy legislation concerning disclosure and consent.	transferred from one jurisdiction to another, and infractions occurring in another jurisdiction are recorded on the driver's record in Nova Scotia.
	3. Credit card transaction information resulting from payments for on-line services through ACOL or SNSMR, inperson services at Access Centers, Land Registration Offices, and the Business Registration Unit, or mail-in services is subject to transborder data flow through US-based credit card processing services for payment authorization and account reconciliation. Personal information that is transmitted through or stored in the US is at	3. All service providers in the credit card payment chain are subject to strict security precautions to protect credit card information from unauthorized or accidental disclosure. The service providers are Payment Card Industry - Data Security Standards (PCI-DSS) certified, and must also follow terms and conditions as defined by the card issuing institutions. Cardholders have agreed to the card issuing institutions' privacy statements that include a notice that third-party service providers may be used to process credit card transactions.	3. SNSMR offers credit card payments as a convenience for customers, and to provide efficient and effective on-line services to clients.

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	risk of a foreign demand for disclosure under the Patriot Act.  4. Twenty-three (23) SNSMR staff traveled outside Canada during the reporting period and accessed GroupWise email from a laptop or Blackberry while away.	4. Remote access to GroupWise is protected by Username/Password authentication, and is delivered over an SSL-encrypted link.	4. Maintain contact with operations.
Trade Centre Limited	The ticketing system used by Ticket Atlantic is hosted in Irvine California, USA by Paciolan. The data is housed in their managed facility on their AS6000 mainframe computers. Secure access is provided from TCL facilities to the data centre via a secured VPN tunnel. This is data required for the sale and purchase of event tickets from Ticket Atlantic Box Office and is under the ownership of TCL.	Only Ticket Atlantic employees and agents can access the information through the secured VPN tunnel. Our contract states that Paciolan will only use the collected customer information solely for the purposes contemplated in this agreement and otherwise in compliance with all applicable federal and state laws. (the) Customer will own all Personal Information, data and related information collected or received through use of the System by it, or directly by Paciolan, and all compilations thereof, in connection with the operation of the system. Data is stored to ensure we can reconcile delivery of tickets, returns, discrepancies and payment verification to the customer. Customers are asked if they wish to receive future information on events, etc. and only then will they be sent any correspondence outside the	In 2004, a tendering process was undertaken to purchase a new ticketing system. Paciolan was chosen as the bid winner as they could offer the best solution for our requirements. No vendor based in Canada could provide the same level of service necessary for our business model - the system is not available to be installed on premises. 5 year contract was extended for 2 years. We are in year 1 of the 2 year extension. Legal council was sought on the original agreement and on the renewal in regard best practices and privacy requirements and the contract was found to be sound.

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		ticket purchase for which the information was supplied. Other accounts are set up by the customer to purchase tickets online and are maintained for the customer so she/he can purchase tickets online by signing into her/his TA account.	
Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal	Ten employees were granted approval to use cell phones, Blackberry's or laptops while traveling outside Canada to allow contact with co-workers should any questions arise and to deal with matters of urgent issues, etc.	Access to GroupWise system was protected by username/password authentication which is delivered over SLL/encryption.	Blackberry use is protected by username/ password authentication which is delivered over SLL link/encryption. As well, employee to comply with PIIDPA Section 5 & 9(4) and the recommendations provided by the Chief Information Officer regarding safe and secure transport and storage of portable storage devices.
Utility and Review Board	Payroll details of Board Members and staff were held by Ceridian Canada Inc., a payroll service provider operating in Canada but owned by a parent company resident in the United States.	Data were required to be held as confidential records by the payroll service provider. Information was stored on servers located inside Canada.	Ceridian is a longstanding payroll provider for the Board. A Canadian service provider was sought but none were found suitable.
Worker's Compensation Board	Travel: 20 instances of staff traveling with smartphones (Blackberries or iPhone). Access to personal information through a secure portal into the WCB's	Immediate report of theft/loss of information.	Out of Country travel request to be prepared by staff and management, approved by the CEO/Vice President/Chair prior to travel. The CEO/Vice President may provide

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	internal network.		direction on any appropriate restrictions to ensure we are protecting the personally identifying information of our customers.

Table 2: January 1 – December 31, 2010 Foreign Access and Storage by Health Authorities

District Health Authority	A (Description)	B (Conditions)	C (Reasons)
Annapolis Valley District Health Authority (AVDHA)	1. CONTRACTS: AVDHA entered into 44 service contracts. These contracts were reviewed to identify if any contracts allowed or required storage or access of personal information outside of Canada. None of these contracts allow/require storage or access of personal information outside of Canada.	1. All new and renewed contracts have will have inclusion clauses added to contracts requiring vendors to comply with PIIDPA legislation. Privacy Impact Analysis must be completed on all new systems. E-courier is used for emailing personal information outside of the NSHEALTH network.	1. Access and storage from outside of Canada is linked to pre-existing programs and/or systems utilized in the AVDHA and are deemed necessary in the operations of these systems and programs.
	2. TRAVEL: It is our estimation that 12 AVDHA employees traveled outside of Canada and may have accessed personal information via laptop, Blackberry or PDA's.	2. All laptops, Blackberry devices, PDA's are password protected. Laptops and removable USB storage devices (flashdrives) are encrypted. Blackberry devices also have an autowipe feature.	
Cape Breton District Health Authority (CBDHA)	1. <u>Travel</u> - Approximately 5 employees traveled outside of Canada and may have accessed personal information via remote e-mail or Blackberry.		

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	2. Contracts – Cape Breton District Health Authority entered into 16 maintenance contracts with the following vendors: Toshiba Canada for diagnostic imaging; Philips Medical for echo cardiography and diagnostic imaging; Fresenius Medical for renal dialysis; GE Health Care for diagnostic imaging, EKG, Lightspeed RT (CT scanner) and workstation; Varian Medical for radiation therapy; Dictaphone Solutions for dictation system; Quality America for Q-Pulse Software; Siemens Canada Limited for mammography, Viva E Analyzer, M248 Analyzers – IC, NS, Advia Centaur XP Immunochemistry Analyzer; Radiometer Canada for blood gas analyzer, 3M for HDM system and NRS Module; Ventana/Roche for pathology Benchmark XT; Beckman Coulter for LH750 Analyzer; Biomerieux for Vitek 2 XL and Bact Alert 240 Analyzers; Ortho Clinical Diagnostics for Vitros Analyzers; BioRad for Variant II and Philips Healthcare for C-Arm and Pegasys Ultra.	2. Contracts - All new and renewed contracts have inclusion clauses requiring vendors to comply with PIIDPA legislation.	2. Contracts – Current access to storage of information outside of Canada is linked to pre-existing programs and/or systems utilized in the Cape Breton District Health Authority and deemed necessary for ongoing operations.

District Health Authority	A (Description)	B (Conditions)	C (Reasons)
Capital District Health Authority (CDHA)	A decision was made to permit certain product vendors to potentially access personal information outside of Canada where required for the repair or maintenance of equipment and information technology systems required for the operations of the health authority where the required expertise were not available within the health authority.	All new and renewed contracts involving the potential for storage or access of personal information outside of Canada have inclusion clauses added to contracts requiring vendors to comply with PIIDPA legislation. In addition, CDHA general information and sharing policies apply in this situation including its Privacy Policy.	Current access to and storage of information outside of Canada is linked to pre-existing programs and/or systems utilized in CDHA and deemed necessary for operations.
Colchester East Hants Health Authority (CEHHA)	1. Access by Staff: For the period January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010, approximately 5 employees travelled outside of Canada and may have accessed personal information via remote e-mail, Blackberry or Treo's.  2. Contracts: No contracts were renewed or signed during this reporting period.	Guidelines will be developed related to access/storage of personal information outside of Canada.	Access and storage from outside of Canada is linked to pre-existing programs and/or systems utilized in the Colchester East Hants Health Authority and are deemed necessary in the ongoing operations of these systems and programs. Specific CEHHA guidelines related to reporting on decisions on access and storage of information from outside of Canada will be developed.
Cumberland Health Authority (CHA)	Decision made to provide the following (including but not limited to):	Access to information stored on CHA networks and servers is only permitted	Access and storage from outside of Canada is linked to pre-existing programs and/or systems utilized in the

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	1. VPN access to Dictaphone System from Florida, US offices for remote vendor application support.  2. Encrypted (SSL) staff access to CHA web mail system from US locations.  3. Storage of information on whole disk encrypted DHA owned laptops.  4. Access to email using Blackberry mobile devices.	through encrypted VPN connections. All external email access is encrypted through SSL, VPN (IPSEC) or the Blackberry service.  The CHA had adopted a standard of encrypting all information on laptops and media that is released outside the CHA. This includes removable media such as encrypted USB storage devices and CD/DVD's. Blackberry devices have been secured with passwords and auto-wipe features.  Established a process whereby all business changes that may affect the release,	Cumberland Health Authority and are deemed necessary in the ongoing operations of these systems and programs.  Specific criteria related to reporting on decisions of access and storage of information from outside of Canada will be developed.
		use or access to private information are reviewed regularly by the Privacy and Information Management committees. Privacy Impact Analysis must be completed on all new systems.	
		Guidelines will be developed	

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		related to access and storage of personal information outside of Canada.	
Guysborough Antigonish Strait Health Authority	Blackberry usage outside of Canada- Facility Manager Guysborough Memorial Hospital from February 17- 20, 2010 (Pittsfield, Maine).	None	Individual notified the IT Director who keeps inventory of travel outside of Canada with electronic devices.
	CEO took his blackberry to Miami from April 8-17, 2010.	None	CEO notified Director of IT that he would be travelling outside of Canada. She compiles list for end of year PIIDPA submission.
IWK Health Centre	For the 2010 calendar year, IWK's records indicate 154 business/work-related trips were made outside of Canada, as reported by the various cost-centres funding the travel. This number represents the number of trips booked through IWK for travel outside of Canada, and does not necessarily equate to the number of potential accesses to personal information. The 154 trips outside of Canada were made by 120 different individuals. When individuals travel with laptop computers and/or other mobile electronic devices (such as	Employees of IWK who travel outside of Canada do not take personal information with them, but from time to time, may access personal information through laptop computers or other mobile electronic devices (blackberries, iPhones, etc). A formal policy is being developed by the privacy leads of the various provincial District Health Authorities/IWK for the purpose of delineating	

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	blackberries, iPhones, etc.), generally the devices are used to gain access to email accounts only, and direct access to health centre files (which may contain personal information) is not advised or supported. While remote access to other IWK information systems which contain personal information is possible, laptops have encryption software to protect information accessed with/stored on them, all handheld devices are password protected to protect information stored on them, and remote access via protected terminal services/remote desktop sessions is encouraged.  IWK contracts with certain service providers located outside Canada for specialized services. The services provided by these vendors are considered necessary for the requirements of IWK's operations, and can require vendors to have remote access to IWK systems potentially resulting in access to, or storage of, personal information outside Canada. Standard remote access for vendors is controlled by IWK's Privacy Office	conditions and restrictions for access to personal information by employees who travel outside of Canada. At present, IWK has implemented various restrictions and conditions to safeguard personal information in the context of employee travel outside of Canada: Employees are advised how to configure their handheld devices during travel outside of Canada so that email is 'turned off' (not accessible) if not required, while still allowing the telephone part of the device to be accessible. All IWK blackberries are password protected, and the mandatory use of passwords is enforced. As an additional precaution, if a user fails to enter the correct password within a limited number of attempts, the device automatically 'wipes' itself clean of all content. The ability to remotely 'wipe' the content of	

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	and specific IWK protocols requiring completion of remote access forms. This access is facilitated by IWK's IT department and HITS Nova Scotia, who assist in the installation of specific VPN software on services providers' systems. For very large vendors who have the infrastructure to support it, Site to Site VPN access is permitted and terms of access are contractually controlled. Before entering into contracts with these service providers, contracts are reviewed and contractual conditions are included wherever appropriate such as confidentiality clauses, secure network access requirements and other accountability provisions and processes to safeguard personal information.  IWK contracts with laboratories outside Canada for the provision of certain specialized laboratory testing services which are either not offered in Canada, or the cost of which if provided in Canada is prohibitive. Consent is obtained from patients when circumstances allow and IWK Laboratory Services carefully tracks all	the devices has also been configured. As an additional protection measure, iPhone support has been enabled against IWK's Exchange Servers (e-mail, contacts, calendars and tasks natively using Exchange Active Sync component), and a set of minimum standards have been implemented to ensure only iPhone devices that support hardware encryption are allowed to integrate IWK's server. The 'remote wipe' and 'limited password attempt' safeguards have also been implemented with respect to IWK employee/physician iPhones. With respect to laptop computers, all newly introduced IWK laptops have been updated with encryption software to safeguard all information stored on/located on any lost, stolen or improperly accessed laptops, including USB portable memory drives used in the	

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	external laboratory referrals, both	laptops, in the event	
	inside and outside of Canada.	unauthorized user attempts to	
		gain access. IWK's remote	
		access practices and policies	
		clearly identify for employees	
		and physicians that direct	
		access to health centre files is	
		not a supported method of	
		accessing information.	
		Rather, where possible,	
		employees and physicians are	
		granted access to Terminal	
		Servers and/or Remote	
		Desktop Sessions, which	
		connects them directly to	
		their work computers at the	
		health centre. Care has been	
		taken to deploy 'Active	
		Directory' software	
		protections to these Terminal	
		Servers and Remote Desktop	
		Stations, which essentially	
		allows IWK network	
		administrators to control	
		what users are able and not	
		able to do remotely when	
		accessing the IWK network	
		and systems, including the	
		prevention of copy/paste,	
		remote printing and mapping	

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		of serial and printer ports.	
		This has all been done so that	
		remote access solutions are	
		'windows' into IWK's	
		systems, without allowing	
		information to be taken	
		offsite.	
		When personal information	
		has the potential to be	
		accessed from outside of	
		Canada or be stored outside	
		of Canada by service	
		providers or partners, the	
		IWK either obtains the	
		individuals consents' for such	
		storage/access to their	
		personal information outside	
		of Canada, or uses	
		contractual conditions	
		pertaining to confidentiality	
		and protection of confidential	
		information to restrict/control	
		the service provider's	
		processes for access/storage	
		of the information.	
		Additionally, the IWK	
		Privacy Officer undertakes a	
		'Privacy Impact Assessment'	
		(PIA) if a new service is	

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		implemented at the health	
		centre which involves or	
		requires the transmission,	
		storage or potential access of	
		personal information by	
		partners or service providers	
		located outside of Canada, or	
		if they are subsidiaries of	
		parent companies located in	
		the United States. The PIA is	
		reviewed by the Privacy	
		Officer to ensure that risks of	
		disclosure of personal	
		information are properly	
		addressed and mitigated.	
		With respect to research	
		conducted at the IWK where	
		the 'sponsor' is located	
		outside of Canada, no	
		personal information is	
		shared or provided to the	
		sponsor before and until	
		consent to do so has been	
		obtained from the patient (or	
		patient's legal guardian).	
		'Survey Monkey' is a web-	
		based surveying tool used by	
		IWK. Because the server for	
		'Survey Monkey' is located	

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		outside of Canada, and therefore so is the data, access to this tool is restricted on IWK's network. The restricted access was implemented and the reasons for it communicated to IWK employees and physicians on May 1, 2009. Access remains restricted to-date and authorization from the head of IWK is required to access this tool on the network.	
Pictou County Health Authority (PCHA)	Access and storage from outside Canada is linked to pre-existing programmes and/or systems utilized at PCHA which continue to be required to be used for the necessity in ongoing operation of these systems and programmes (e.g., Meditech, Dictaphone, 3M). PCHA Senior Leaders may have accessed personal information while conducting business outside the country using remote e- mail and Blackberry.	Vendors are required to follow PIIDPA legislation. Staff is required to follow PCHA's privacy policies.	Access and storage from outside Canada is linked to pre-existing programmes and/or systems utilized at PCHA which are required for ongoing operations of these systems and programmes.
South Shore Health Authority	1. South Shore Health has an agreement with manufacturer Phillips Respironics for two Sleepware	1. and 2. The following clause appears in all requests for proposals and Tenders	1. Current storage and access to information from outside Canada is linked to pre-existing programs/

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(SSHA)	Systems, which allows access to our computer network from the company's service helpline located in the United States.  2. South Shore Health purchased cardiac monitors from SpaceLabs. The software for this company allows its head office in the United States to access computer servers within SSHA containing patient names and hear patterns for maintenance and repairs.	award by the SSHA: Vendor acknowledges that in the performance of any Contract awarded hereunder it may obtain information concerning individuals which information is subject to protection in accordance with applicable legislation and regulation including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Personal Information International Disclosure Protection Act ('PIIDPA') and any other applicable Act or regulation. Vendor agrees to safeguard any such information in accordance with all such legislation/regulation and use same solely to comply with its obligations under the awarded Contract.	software used within South Shore Health and is deemed necessary for continued operations, in this case, to ensure ongoing patient care.  2. This access to information from outside Canada has been deemed necessary to support ongoing clinical investigations and patient care.
South West Nova District Health Authority (SWNDHA)	In 2010, 16 SWH employees were involved in international travel where they may have maintained access to the organization through cell/blackberries, remotely through VPN or through the nshealth.ca web	The district continues to add the inclusion clause re: the management of information in all requests for proposals, new contracts, warranties or	SWH uses software vendors located outside Canada who maintain system remotely, for example, Meditech (health information); SAP (financial and personnel); Nuance (Transcription/dictation); Siemens (DI

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	network. The countries involved are the USA (Chicago), Jamaica, Mexico and Kuwait. SWH implemented SAP in April,	renewals.	equipment). Again, the access to systems are managed by written agreements and monitored by SWH.
	2009. This provincial program did undergo a Privacy Impact Assessment and change since 2010 relating to access were reviewed by DHA privacy. COGS (Centre of		
	Geographical Science) software used to evaluate service information and create care maps for program. SWH entered into 3 application maintenance		
	contract with the following vendors: Readiometer, Siemens, Somagen Diagnostics.		

Table 3<sup>3</sup>: January 1 - December 31, 2010 Foreign Access and Storage by Universities

Universities	A (Description)	B (Conditions)	C (Reasons)
Cape Breton University	1. Alumni/donor Database: CBU uses software provided by an American vendor, Blackbaud, located in South Carolina. Although the system originates from the US, data on university alumni and donors is housed on servers at the CBU campus. Blackbaud does provide remote technical service. If authorized by the university, it is possible for a Blackbaud technician to access.	1. Access is restricted to authorized technical support carried out by working with a CBU employee, possibly on-line. Access to this information is authorized for the purpose of required assigned duties and research.	1. The system is required to meet the operational requirements of the university. The need for remote access from Blackbaud is minimal (1-2 times annually).
	2. <u>Student Information</u> <u>System:</u> Faculty may access portions of the CBU Student Information System when out of the	2. Access to student records is permitted to those employees in positions requiring access to fulfill their job requirements at the university and is managed	2. The system is required to meet the operational requirements of the university.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Acadia University, University of King's College and Université Sainte-Anne reported that they had no foreign access or retention of personal information outside of Canada.

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	country for the purposes of viewing the records of students in their respective courses and entering term grades. This could be the result of a faculty being out of the country during the period of time grades are submitted or by a faculty teaching a distance program. Students have web access to the student information system to view their individual financial and academic records.	through authorized user accounts. Student access is limited to viewing their own record information and is managed through authorized student accounts.	
	3. Course Management System: CBU uses MOODLE as its course management system. The system facilitates on-line learning for both on- campus students and those studying from a distance. Web access is available to this system for both faculty delivering courses and students enrolled in the	3. Access to MOODLE is restricted to those faculty delivering and students registered in CBU courses during a particular term. The data accessed is restricted to course materials.	3. The system is required to meet the operational requirements of the university.

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	courses.  4. Travel: Approximately 38 staff members traveled outside of Canada with web access to their personal email via smart phone or laptop. While travelling outside the country such access is necessary for university administrators, researchers and other employees to perform their assigned duties or as a necessary part of a research project.	4. Web access to travelling employees is restricted to email and is available to authentication users only.	4. Remote access to email is required by employees to meet the operational requirements of their positions.
Dalhousie University	1. Financial Services. Service provider for the creation of templates for various electronic financial services, e.g. purchase orders, bills, cheques, etc.	1. Financial Services. Limited access: only where required for maintenance and troubleshooting. Personal information stored internally. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie	1. Financial Services. This is the only product offered which offers integration with the University's well-established on-line information systems, which is essential to the function of our Financial Services and Human Resources departments. This service provider has been used since 2003 and offers a significant price advantage to the suite of various products offered by Canadian vendors which would have to be purchased in order to achieve the same degree of program integration.

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Universities	2. <u>University ID Card.</u> Management of access and financial processes used through the	protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and pre-approved IP addresses.  2. <u>University ID Card.</u> Limited access: only where required for maintenance and troubleshooting. Contractual security	2. <u>University ID Card.</u> This system is proprietary in nature and is only sold and supported by this company. The University's identification card is used by all staff, faculty and students for a variety
	University ID Card.	measures: all personal information will be stored in Canada; restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and preapproved IP addresses; removal of personal information prior to return of hardware, where possible. The company has a support technician located in Canada who provides support whenever possible.	of purposes, including access to facilities, financial transactions on and off campus, and various administrative functions. Proper management of this integrated tool is necessary for the administrative functions of the University.

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	3. Employment Tool. Comprehensive online tool to assist students in seeking employment.	3. Employment Tool. Limited access: only where required for maintenance and troubleshooting. Contractual security measures: all personal information will be stored in Canada; restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and preapproved IP addresses.	3. Employment Tool. Providing tools for students to develop job-seeking skills is an important and necessary element of the University's student services program. This product was identified as superior in this aspect and no similar Canadian product was identified which provides the necessary functionality and range of services.
	4. Network and Systems Upgrade. Consulting services related to the University's ongoing upgrade of its internal network and systems.	4. Network and Systems Upgrade. Limited access: only where required for maintenance and troubleshooting. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be	4. Network and Systems Upgrade. The consultant services are provided by the current provider of the systems are being upgraded and thus has the expertise to provide the services required. These systems are necessary for the operation of integral Dalhousie computing services.

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		subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and pre-approved IP addresses.	
	5. Wireless Products. Service provider for wireless products for employees, long distance and teleconferencing services.	5. Wireless Products. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and their employees. Internal security measures: process in place to minimize disclosure of personal information.	5. Wireless Products. Mobile communications solution for employees, as well as long distance calling and teleconferencing, are essential for administrative operations of the University. Significant price advantage with this service provider through the MASH sector rates negotiated by the Province.
	6. Warranty Maintenance. Product warranty maintenance for electronics (Storage in United States).	6. Warranty Maintenance. Personal information provided is limited to what is necessary for warranty coverage; where possible and applicable, personal information will be removed from products sent to service provider for maintenance or replacement. In many cases, the customer has already provided their	6. Warranty Maintenance. Necessary for Dalhousie's program as a supplier of the service provider's products. Since the service provider is the exclusive supplier of maintenance under warranty, there is no Canadian alternative available.

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		personal information to service provider for warranty purposes. Customers are informed at time of collection that the information they provide will be sent to service provider outside of Canada.	
	7. Maintenance Support. Maintenance support for product which allows University staff and faculty to schedule and manage meetings and activities in an integrated environment. (Remote access for maintenance from United States).	7. Maintenance Support. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and pre- approved IP addresses.	7. Maintenance Support. The ability to effectively schedule and manage meetings and activities is necessary for Dalhousie operations. This product offers superior functionality and range of service not identified in any Canadian alternatives; access rarely required.
	8. Maintenance Support for academic product used extensively by faculty for online teaching. (Remote access from US).	8. Maintenance Support Measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols	8. <u>Maintenance Support.</u> The provision of online teaching opportunities is necessary to Dalhousie academic operations. This product offers a superior range of service and functionality; and has been an established service at Dalhousie for several years, therefore would require a heavy cost to convert; access rarely required.

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		including time restrictions, audit function, and preapproved IP addresses.	
	9. Maintenance support for statistical software product, used in course teaching and research (Remote access from US).	9. Maintenance Support Contractual Security Measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and pre- approved IP addresses. Access to personal information for maintenance purposes will rarely, if ever, be required: research using this product will rarely ever contain personal information, and dummy data can be created to illustrate a problem for maintenance purposes.	9. Maintenance Support. Necessary for Dalhousie academic and research operations in several departments. This product offers superior functionality and range of service, according to evaluations conducted by users; access rarely required.  10. Academic Software. Necessary for
	10. Academic software:		Dalhousie's academic programs in a variety of
	supports teaching	10. Academic Software.	Damousie's academic programs in a variety of

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	activities and allows for online collaboration, e.g. voice, video, application sharing, etc. (Information stored on server located in Canada, however access from the US may still be required for maintenance purposes). The product is a set of applications used for collaboration in teaching, which are fully integrated with other existing University applications. (Access from the United States).	The company agreed to move storage of our personal information to a server in Canada in 2008. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and their employees. Personal information is stored on a server located in Canada, hosted by a trusted service provider with whom we have existing agreements, who are also under obligations of confidentiality. Contractual measures in place to restrict access to and disclosure of information by service provider and their employees.	disciplines; no Canadian product offers a comparable suite of products, service and functionality, combined with integration of other University computing services. Investigations found that this is the only suite of these products on the market, in Canada or elsewhere, that provide access control and integration with our existing applications. These tools are necessary for the operation of the University's academic programs, as student demand for collaborative teaching tools continues to grow.
	11. Service provider maintenance for its hardware and software products used extensively throughout the University. Mostly done on-site, however in some	11. Service provider  maintenance. Contractual measures in place to restrict access and disclosure of personal information to service provider and its employees: access to	11. Service provider maintenance. Hardware and software from this service provider are used around the clock in University data centres and other operations, e.g. servers, switches, printers, etc. Maintenance coverage is necessary to our ability to maintain 24/7 operational requirements for these products.

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	cases failed equipment which may contain personal information may need to be returned to service provider in the United States.	university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, on-site security, and audit function. Where possible, personal information will be removed from products which require service.	
	12. Maintenance support for a web-based database that manages information and processes related to student work experience placements in industry. (Remote access from US).	12. Maintenance support. Contractual Security Measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and preapproved IP addresses.	12. Maintenance support. Effectively managing information and processes for student work placements is necessary for the operation of Dalhousie co-operative education programs, particularly in Architecture, Commerce, Computer Science, and Engineering. Cost prohibitive for Canadian alternative; access rarely required.
	13. Maintenance support for product which allows for real- time synchronization of faculty and staff calendars with wireless	13. Maintenance support. Contractual Security Measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees;	13. Maintenance support. Making calendars available on the wireless tools used by the faculty and staff, who are required to use them is necessary for Dalhousie operations. There is no suitable Canadian alternative, given Dalhousie IT

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	tools. (Remote access from US).	remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and preapproved IP addresses.	architecture and costs to convert; access rarely required.
	14. <u>Plagiarism</u> <u>Detection.</u> Academic program: online plagiarism detection service (Storage in US).	14. Plagiarism Detection. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and their employees; Storage of Dalhousie information will be segregated from other users; Internal security measures: process in place to minimize disclosure of personal information.	14. <u>Plagiarism Detection</u> . Necessary for Dalhousie's academic programs in order to maintain high standards of academic integrity. There is currently no product in Canada offering a comparable range of service and functionality. Minimal personal information disclosed.
	15. Maintenance support for product which supports all major University administrative computing applications.(Remote access from US or Bangalore, India).	15. Maintenance support. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions,	15. <u>Maintenance support.</u> Necessary service for the operation of integral Dalhousie academic computing services; no Canadian alternative identified; access rarely required.

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	16. Maintenance support for facilities management product used for reserving rooms on campus, specifically for event and classroom scheduling. (Remote access from US).	audit function, and preapproved IP addresses.  16. Maintenance support. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and preapproved IP addresses.	16. Maintenance support. The ability to effectively manage room bookings across campus through one centralized program is necessary for Dalhousie operations. This product offers superior functionality to the identified Canadian alternative, and there would be a heavy cost to convert in terms of labor and acquisition costs. Access rarely required.
	17. Maintenance support for academic product which provides students with information regarding their progress towards meeting their degree requirements (Remote access from US).	17. Maintenance support. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and pre- approved IP addresses.	17. Maintenance support. Allowing students to access their information regarding progress towards degree requirements is necessary for Dalhousie operations, particularly in student advising and counseling, and for the Registrar's Office. No Canadian alternatives have been identified; access rarely required.

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	18. Maintenance support for a scheduling and data tracking software, designed for university student advising and counseling (Remote access from US).	18. Maintenance support. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and pre- approved IP addresses.	18. Maintenance support. Providing advising and counseling services to students, and effectively managing and tracking those services, is necessary for Dalhousie student services operations. This product offers superior functionality and range of service; access rarely required.
	19. Maintenance support. Maintenance support for student services product which allows faculty members to convey concerns to students about aspects of class performance and provide referral to on- campus resources. (Remote access from US).	19. Maintenance support. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, and pre- approved IP addresses.	19. Maintenance support. The ability to identify and address potential student performance issues at the earliest possible stage is necessary for the Dalhousie operations in terms of enhancing the student experience. No Canadian alternatives identified; access rarely required.
	20. <b>Evaluations.</b> Software product used to collect and maintain evaluations specifically in the medical education	20. Evaluations. Data is stored internally. Contractual security measures: restrictions on	20. <b>Evaluations.</b> Medical education evaluations are a necessary requirement of the operation of our Faculty of Medicine; proper management of these evaluations is critical to decision-making with respect to promotion throughout a student's

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	field (e.g. student evaluations, preceptor evaluations, etc.). This product was originally developed in Canada, however is now a whollyowned subsidiary of a US company. Product is still maintained in Canada.	access to and disclosure of information by service provider and employees; remote access to university systems will be subject to Dalhousie protocols including time restrictions, audit function, pre-approved IP addresses, and segregation of personal information where possible. Vendor agrees that any remote access will only occur from within Canada.	medical education. This tool was originally investigated and purchased when it was 100% Canadian-owned and operated, and a determination was made at that time that it was the most effective tool for our purposes.
	21. Academic Software. Service provider licenses to the University certain content in the form of digital books and provides software and technology services to make the content available to its students, faculty and administration in the field of dentistry (licensor located in US).	21. Academic Software. Contractual security measures: restrictions on access to and disclosure of information by service provider and their employees.	21. <u>Academic Software.</u> Product superior in terms of service and functionality including a complete digital library of dental content from all major publishers, in offline, online and mobile modalities.
	22. <u>Hardware/Software.</u> Lease and maintenance	22. <u>Hardware/Software.</u> Contractual security	22. <u>Hardware/Software.</u> No Canadian alternatives identified. Awarded through a tender

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	multifunction devises (copy/print/scan/fax devices) (vendor headquartered in Japan).	measures: restricted access to hard drive during maintenance; removed at end of lease; confidentiality agreement; internal technical controls to limit access to information network segregation; encrypted communication; limited outbound destinations; prohibited inbound connections; internal administrative controls to limited access to personal information.  23. Restricted access	process.
	23. Website Feedback. Online software enabling visitors to give feedback on the web pages. Feedback not tied to identifiable individual unless visitor opts to provide email address. Licensor located in Israel.	through server authentication and data encryption, and no IP logging.	23. Superior functionality: a strategic component of an interactive website that is in constant touch with customers, and helps identify problems and patterns quickly. No Canadian alternatives identified.
Mount Saint Vincent University	1. Storage outside Canada: We did not store any information such as employee data,		1. Storage of personal information or data is not currently housed outside of Canada, however, any decisions on future hosting of personal information, such as student email, would need the

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	student records or other information outside Canada.		approval of the senior executive team including the President of the University. As the University must maintain full control of all its data at all times, any system that the University would consider, in the future, to host information outside of Canada would need to provide significant reduction in costs, administration or increased functionality while providing, at minimum, the same security controls and procedures to protect the University's data.
	2. Access from Outside Canada: Students, faculty and staff (whether travelling or living) outside Canada were granted access to email accounts and information systems stored on servers within Mount Saint Vincent University (and within Canada) via email or remote access systems.	2. There was no limit on the amount of information that a student, faculty or staff member could access from outside Canada within their access rights. The information they have access to is maintained on a server controlled by Mount Saint Vincent University (within Canada).	2. Access to information (from outside Canada) is necessary for students to complete their course work and for faculty and staff to complete their work assignments and/or research. Decisions to allow students to access their course material and relevant data are maintained within the Distance Learning and Continuing Education department and the course/instructor level. Faculty and staff remote access to Mount servers and systems are the responsibility of the department chairpersons or department managers with consultation from Information and Technology and Services.
St. Francis Xavier	1. The University's financial software "Bi-Tech" is provided by a U.	1. The University has taken steps to minimize our exposure by restricting	1. The cost of switching our software vendors is cost prohibitive at this time.

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	S. software vendor Sungard Bi-Tech since 1988. The software requires periodic maintenance and updates. These maintenance needs and updates are applied to our financial software through remote access link between our "Bitech" server located in Chico, California. The access to our server is for software maintenance only. It is theoretically possible that personal information could be accessed at those times hence this notification.	access to our system to designated and prescheduled time periods and only when maintenance and update activities cannot be accomplished by university personnel. We are working with mature software product and, historically, access has been for semi-annual updates only, therefore, we have minimal exposure points.	
	2. Kinetics software (Kx) is a comprehensive software programme that manages catering facility and residential bookings. It is comparable to large conference or hotel management systems. The Conferences and	2. Vendor provides technical support through remote access previously arranged with the university technology support group for each incident.	2. The only method of receiving technical support is through remote access by the vendor.

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	Special Events Department at the university uses the programme as our main software to support our operations making use of the Events, Catering, Marketing and Extracts modules available within the software.  3. Course online management system. The systems stores names, student ID numbers and meal plan details. Storage is on server in Canada onsite. Remote access is only permitted when a technical issue arises that cannot be resolved.	3. Vendor provides technical support through remote means previously arranged with the university's technology support group for each incident.	3. The only method of receiving technical support is through remote access by the vendor.
Nova Scotia Agricultural College	The NSAC allows our Student Information System (SIS) provider, Datatel Inc., to provide Tier II application maintenance/support to our system which is housed on the NSAC	Administrative rights are controlled by the NSAC Database Systems Administrator with username/password authentication for TCP/IP connectivity being granted to Datatel as required. As	When the NSAC purchased the Datatel Colleague/Benefactor system in 2004, there were no competitors in the Canadian marketplace. All three top SIS systems were provided by US vendors. This continues to be the case. Tier II support of this type of massive integrated system is typically provided by the vendor due to the breadth and depth of knowledge required for

SIS is utilized by a wide variety of stakeholders including students, staff, faculty, senior management and various units/depts (e.g., Financial Services, Registry, Continuing Education, Alumni Development and External Relations, Graduate Studies Office, Residence Services). The system houses all academic and student financial account information as well as alumni and campaign information. The SIS is a mission critical system that supports the core business activities of the NSAC. Datatel is one of the leading North American SIS providers	Universities	A (Description)	B (Conditions)	C (Reasons)
located in Fairfax,	Universities	campus. No data resides in a foreign country. The SIS is utilized by a wide variety of stakeholders including students, staff, faculty, senior management and various units/depts (e.g., Financial Services, Registry, Continuing Education, Alumni Development and External Relations, Graduate Studies Office, Residence Services). The system houses all academic and student financial account information as well as alumni and campaign information. The SIS is a mission critical system that supports the core business activities of the NSAC. Datatel is one of the leading North American SIS providers with their head office	noted above, this connectivity is restricted to a range of Datatel IP addresses. This access is monitored and compared to monthly reports provided by the vendor of the work that they have performed for the NSAC. As well, Datatel's login information is periodically changed for security reasons and login information is only provided via direct communication via telephone to Datatel's	problem resolution. The vendor has a large staff of highly trained consultants, systems support staff and programmers who are experts on the integrated system and its many components (client software, database, programming language, systems tools, etc.). The product is also always evolving and the university needs to maintain the ongoing relationship with the vendor to take advantage of enhancements as they develop. To properly complete our daily business, the NSAC must continue to have Tier II support provided by

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	(http://datatel.com).			
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	Datatel accesses our			
	system on a monthly			
	basis to solve problems			
	that are not resolved by			
	our first level of support			
	which is provided by our			
	in-house Database			
	Systems Administrators. All access is via TCT/IP			
	protocol. NSAC stakeholder access is			
	restricted to internal			
	NSAC network			
	connectivity, while			
	Datatel access is provided			
	through firewall security			
	to a restricted range of			
	Datatel IP addresses. All			
	TCP/IP and			
	firewall/security			
	management is provided			
	by the NS Provincial			
	Resources Corporate			
	Services Unit – IT			
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Nova Scotia College of Arts and Design (NSCAD)	Moved from various systems including to a single unified Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system provided by Datatel Inc. of Fairfax, VA.	Access to personal information is to be limited to Datatel personnel providing support for the ERP system using remote access technology in case of issues with the system. All data will remain resident on NSCAD University servers located in Nova Scotia.	All major academic ERP vendors (Datatel, Sungard and PeopleSoft) are based in the United States. To design and implement a home-grown ERP system would be cost-prohibitive for an institution NSCAD University's size.
Nova Scotia Community College	1. Storage: The Nova Scotia Community College has allowed for the storage of personal information under its control to be held by Hobsons EMT (formerly Apply Yourself, Inc.). This company is located in Fairfax, Virginia (USA). Hobsons EMT is an application service provider offering webbased data management storage for the College's on-line application	1. The services of Hobsons EMT are required to support the application process for many of our student applicants. The College will provide disclosure to electronic applicants indicating that Hobsons EMT is an American company and the access and use of applications is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws.	1. The College has been using the services of Hobsons EMT effective March 21, 2005 prior to the Assent of the Act on July 14, 2006. Since our last submission, we investigated service providers within Canada, however, there were no emerging or known Canadian companies identified by us through the usual channels – conferences, trade shows or vendor contacts. The College continues to seek on-line application solutions through products and functionality available with our current database service provider (Oracle/PeopleSoft) and products. Currently, a solution is in the early adopter stage (Oracle/PeopleSoft) and may be ready to investigate fully towards possible purchase in 2011.

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	process.  2. <u>Travel:</u> The College will allow our employees to transport personal information temporarily outside Canada. Transport is only to the extent that it is strictly necessary for their assigned duties or as a necessary part of a research project.	2. <u>Travel:</u> This information will be transported using cellular telephones, wireless handhelds, laptops and storage devices.	2. <u>Travel:</u> Employees will be required to take all reasonable precautions (e.g., encryption) to protect personal information.
	3. Accessing personal information in College data repositories from outside Canada.	3. The College will permit its employees to use webbased or other internet access tools if it is a necessary part of performing his or her assigned duties or as a necessary part of a research project.	

Table 4<sup>4</sup>: January 1 - December 31, 2010 Foreign Access and Storage by School Boards

<b>School Boards</b>	A (Decision)	B (Conditions)	C (Reasons)
Annapolis Valley Regional School Board	One individual residing in the U.S. has access to a server owned by the AVRSB. The server is housed in Canada. The server stores Educator's Handbook/Student Discipline Referral software and related student data. The individual with access to this server/software is the author of this software. This software is in use by one school but will be discontinued in the 2011-2012 school year.	Access is permitted only when necessary for maintenance or upgrading of software.	This software is necessary for day-to-day work of teachers in schools and for AVRSB monitoring purposes, in order to track and report student discipline issues. This software was determined to be the best option at reasonable cost to perform these functions. This software will be discontinued in the 2011-2012 school year.
Cape Breton- Victoria Regional School Board	Approximately eight staff members travelled outside Canada and may have, or had the ability to, access personnel information via remote email, blackberry and/or personal computer.	All personnel information is housed on-site with existing infrastructure. All blackberries and personal computers are password protected.	Functionality of the operations of the board are deemed necessary for management and operations. The staff members at issue occupy management positions and must be available by e-mail

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Chignecto-Central Regional School Board and Conseil scolaire acadien provincial did not store or have access to personal information outside of Canada.

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			for decision-making and information purposes.
Halifax Regional School Board	Twenty-five (25) staff members travelled outside of Canada, which would have had access to person information via their Blackberries or laptop computers.	Relevant HRSB policies would apply to Blackberry and computer usage outside of Canada. Each Blackberry and computer is password protected. The HRSB will incorporate into its policy direction on access and storage of personal information outside to Canada.	Staff members, at issue, occupy management positions and must be available by e-mail for decision-making and information purposes.
Strait Regional School Board	The Strait Regional School Board currently hold online subscriptions for United Streaming and Reading A to Z. These are on line subscriptions to education media. The teacher's name and school are provided to both on line education media providers. This contract has been in existence prior to December 15, 2006. To our knowledge, twenty seven (27) employees travelled outside of Canada and may have (or had the ability to) accessed personal information via remote email, BlackBerry,	The Strait Regional School Board has restricted employees to travel outside of Canada with board owned equipment. Employees are required to obtain prior written consent of the head of the Public Body to transport Board owned equipment outside of Canada. The SRSB network allows secure VPN access only.	Consent to transport Board owned equipment outside of Canada is provided only in instances when it is deemed necessary for management and operations.

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	personal computer or by any other means.		
Tri-County Regional School Board	Tri-County Regional School Board reported that no personal information was accessed or retained outside of Canada.		

Table 5 January 1 – December 31, 2010 Foreign Access and Storage by Municipalities<sup>5</sup>

Municipalities	A (Decision)	B (Conditions)	C (Reasons)
Municipality of the County of Colchester	Seven staff members travelled outside Canada during calendar 2010. It is known that two staff could have accessed personal email or stored information and email through GroupWise, via a laptop or Blackberry. Both employees indicated that they didn't.	Employees have been notified to limit email use with blackberry's and laptops during time out of the country unless absolutely necessary. We have an approved policy that requires employees to limit any personal information being sent while visiting/working outside of Canada, and if they are taking electronic equipment, they are required to report their intention to senior management.	When staff travel for business or personal reasons, they may be expected to monitor their business email in order to fulfill their job responsibilities.
Municipality of the County of Kings	The Manager of Engineering & Public Works travelled to Texas between March 27, 2010 and April 5, 2010.	Email access requires authentication through secure login/password.	The Management Team determined that access to email was necessary for the Manager of Engineering to make informed decisions on key operational issues while out of the country.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Guysborough County Regional Development Authority, NS Association of Regional Development Authorities and Strait-Highlands Regional Development Agency, Municipalities of the Districts of Argyle, Yarmouth, Lunenburg, Chester, Guysborough, Barrington, St. Mary's, Municipalities of the Counties of Inverness, Annapolis, West Hants, East Hants, Cumberland, Pictou, Victoria, Towns of Parrsboro, Wolfville, Springhill, Westville, Pictou, Oxford, Middleton, Mahone Bay, Bridgewater, Windsor, Stellarton, Kentville, Truro, Antigonish, Bridgetown, Annapolis Royal, Stewiacke, Lockeport, Trenton, Shelburne, New Glasgow, Port Hawkesbury, Lunenburg, Amherst, Hantsport, Digby, Berwick, Clark's Harbour, Mulgrave, Cape Breton Regional Municipality, Municipality of Antigonish, Clare; Lunenburg Queens Regional Development Agency, Region of Queens Municipality and Cape Breton County Economic Development Authority had no access or storage outside of Canada to report.

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Municipality of the County of Richmond	Municipal property owners living outside Canada are sent property tax invoices twice per year (issued April 1 and September 1 of each year) by the Municipality. Information related to these invoices and related properties are regularly exchanged with property owners via mail.	Municipal property owners living outside Canada are sent property tax invoices twice per year (issued April 1 and September 1 of each year) by the Municipality. Information related to these invoices and related properties are regularly exchanged with property owners via mail.	This is required for the timely operations of the Municipality and occurs on an ongoing basis.
Halifax Regional Municipality	1. Between January 1st and December 31st, 2010, one hundred and one (101) HRM staff travelled outside of Canada and had the ability to access personal information via one or more of the following means: Cell Phone, Blackberry, Laptop, Memory Stick, VPN).	1. Prior to travelling, staff were advised that HRM communication tools (Cell Phones, Blackberries, Laptops, Memory Sticks, VPN) were to be password protected.	1. The HRM staff, who were approved for travelling outside of Canada with their communication device(s), were expected to maintain a means of communication with their respective staff/Business Unit in order to fulfill operational responsibilities/requirements.
	2. The following vendors - Versaterm (Police RMS, CAD 911), Hansen (Tax Bill, Customer Service, Permit/License),	2. Vendor access is controlled and monitored by IT Support staff.	2. Vendor access is necessary for the systems to continue to function properly.

Municipalities	A (Decision)	B (Conditions)	C (Reasons)
	Open Text (Document Management), Hastus ERP (Metro Transit) and RIVA ( PSAB		
	Compliance -Financial) - were provided access on an approved, need basis to the applicable production systems for support and maintenance		