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ACONSULT (PTY) LIMITED
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MANUAL
in terms of
Section 51 of
The Promotion of Access to Information Act
Act 2/2000

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1. INTRODUCTION

ACONSULT (Pty) Limited trading as Aconsult Consulting Engineers conducts business as a consulting company. We specialise in the design of commercial, industrial and residential air conditioning systems.

2. COMPANY CONTACT DETAILS (Section 51 (1) (a))

Directors: Mr. TF Johnstone (Managing Director)

 Mrs R Johnstone

Office Manager/CEO: Mr. TF Johnstone

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3. THE ACT (Section 51(1) (b))

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3.1 The ACT grants a requester access to records of a private body, if the record is required for the exercise or protection of any rights. If a public body lodges a request, the public body must be acting in the public interest.

3.2 Requests in terms of the ACT shall be made in accordance with the prescribed procedures, at the rates provided. The forms and tariff are dealt with in paragraphs 6 and 7 of the Act.

3.3 Requesters are referred to the Guide in terms of Section 10 which has been compiled by the South African Human Rights Commission, which will contain information for the purposes of exercising Constitutional Rights. The Guide is available from the SAHRC. The contact details of the Commission are:

Postal Address:	Private Bag 2700, Houghton, 2041
Telephone Number:	+27-11-877 3600
Fax Number:	+27-11-403 0625
Website:	www.sahrc.org.za



4. APPLICABLE LEGISLATION (Section 51 (1) (c)).

<u>No</u>	<u>Ref</u>	<u>Act</u>
1	No 61 of 1973	Companies Act
2	No 98 of 1978	Copyright Act
3	No 55 of 1998	Employment Equity Act
4	No 95 of 1967	Income Tax Act
5	No 66 of 1995	Labour Relations Act
6	No 89 of 1991	Value Added Tax Act
7	No 37 of 2002	Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act
8	No 75 of 1997	Basic Conditions of Employment Act
9	No 69 of 1984	Close Corporations Act
10	No 25 of 2002	Electronic Communications and Transactions Act
11	No 2 of 2000	Promotion of Access of Information Act
12	No 30 of 1996	Unemployment Insurance Act

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5. Schedule of Records (Section 51 (1) (d))

<u>Records</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Availability</u>
Public Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public Product Information• Public Corporate Records• Media Releases	Freely available on web site www.aconsult.co.za
Financial	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Financial Statements• Financial and Tax Records (Company & Employees)• Asset Register• Management Accounts	Proprietary (Pty Ltd) - Request in terms of PAIA. Request in terms of PAIA Request in terms of PAIA
Marketing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Market Information• Public Customer Information:<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Owner Manuals• Field Records• Performance Records• Marketing Strategies• Customer Database	Limited Information available on web site. (see above) Request in terms of PAIA In our annual report freely available Request in terms of PAIA Request in terms of PAIA



6. FORM OF REQUEST (Section 51 (1) (e))

To facilitate the processing of your request, kindly:

6.1 Use the prescribed form, available on the website of the SOUTH AFRICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION at www.sahrc.org.za.

6.2 Address your request to the Head of the Company (CEO).

6.3 Provide sufficient details to enable the COMPANY to identify:

(a) The record(s) requested;

(b) The requester (and if an agent is lodging the request, proof of capacity);

(c) The form of access required;

(d) (i) The postal address or fax number of the requester in the Republic;

(ii) If the requester wishes to be informed of the decision in any manner (in addition to written) the manner and particulars thereof;

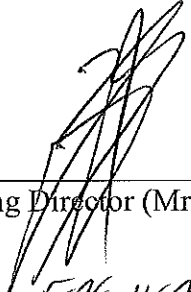
(e) The right which the requester is seeking to exercise or protect with an explanation of the reason the record is required to exercise or protect the right.

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7. PRESCRIBED FEES (Section 51 (1) (f))

The following applies to requests (other than personal requests):

- 7.1 A requestor is required to pay the prescribed fees (R50.00) before a request will be processed;
- 7.2 If the preparation of the record requested requires more than the prescribed hours (six), a deposit shall be paid (of not more than one third of the access fee which would be payable if the request were granted);
- 7.3 A requestor may lodge an application with a court against the tender/payment of the request fee and/or deposit;
- 7.4 Records may be withheld until the fees have been paid.
- 7.5 The fee structure is available on the website of the SOUTH AFRICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION at www.sahrc.org.za.



Managing Director (Mr TF Johnstone)

Signed at EBENVALE on 08 FEBRUARY 2017.

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**NOTICE IN TERMS OF THE PROMOTION OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION 2 OF 2000
RE: FEES ASSOCIATED WITH PAIA REQUESTS ARE DETERMINED BY THE
REGULATIONS ONLY AND NOT THROUGH OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OR POLICIES**

This Notice serves to state that the South African Human Rights Commission (the Commission) hereby confirms that the costs associated with all requests made under the Promotion of Access to Information Act 2 of 2000 (PAIA) are determined by the Regulations relating to PAIA only, and not by any other laws or regulations. Therefore, any demands made by a public or private body for the payment of additional fees with respect to PAIA requests are invalid.

The Commission is an independent public body currently mandated under PAIA to monitor the implementation of the Act. In accordance with its responsibilities to ensure compliance with PAIA, the Commission issues this notice to bring clarity to all interested parties that it is *only* the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development who has the power to make decisions regarding fees associated with PAIA requests. The Commission further confirms that Value-Added Tax (VAT) is only payable by institutions who have registered as VAT vendors.

1. The Promotion of Access to Information Act

PAIA gives effect to the constitutional right to access of information, as provided for under section 32 of the Constitution. Although responding to requests and reproducing records in an accurate and orderly manner takes time and resources, section 9 of the Act specifically calls for the establishment of mandatory mechanisms and procedures to ensure that access to records of both public and private bodies is "as swiftly, *inexpensively* and effortlessly as reasonably possible." [emphasis added].

Furthermore, section 92 of the Act grants the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development the power to make regulations pertaining to fees associated with requests made to both public and private bodies.

2. Regulations to PAIA

In February 2002, the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development published a schedule of fees for PAIA requests in the Gazette, which provided for the following:

Fees for Requesting Records

Requesters are required to pay a fee for requesting access to records from both public and private bodies. The fee for requesting records from a public body is R35, while the fee for requesting records from a private body is R50. It is important to note that people who are requesting access to their personal information are exempt from paying a fee. Furthermore, people who earn less than R14,712 per annum (if single) and R27,192 per annum (if married or have a life partner), are also exempt from paying the request fees.

Fees for Accessing Records

Requesters are also required to pay fees for accessing the records of public and private bodies, which include fees associated with the search for, preparation of, and reproduction of documents. The breakdown of fees for requests to both public and private bodies are as follows:

Public Bodies:

- Copy per A4 page – 60 cents
- Printing per A4 page – 40 cents
- Copy on a CD – R40
- Transcription of visual images per A4 page – R22
- Copy of a visual image – R60
- Transcription of an audio recording per A4 page – R12
- Copy of an audio recording – R17
- Search and preparation of the record for disclosure – R15 per hour or part thereof, excluding the first hour, reasonably required for the search and preparation
- Actual postage fee

Private Bodies:

- Copy per A4 page – R1.10
- Printing per A4 page – 75 cents
- Copy on a CD – R70
- Transcription of visual images per A4 page – R40
- Copy of a visual image – R60
- Transcription of an audio recording per A4 page – R20
- Copy of an audio recording – R30
- Search and preparation of the record for disclosure – R30 per hour or part thereof, excluding the first hour, reasonably required for the search and preparation
- Actual postage fee

3. Registered VAT Vendors

The Commission further confirms that Value-Added Tax (VAT) is only payable by institutions who have registered as VAT vendors, as required under section 23 of the Value-Added Tax Act of 1991.

Sincerely,


Advocate L M Mushwana

Chair of the South African Human Rights Commission

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FORM C

REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO RECORD OF PRIVATE BODY
(Section 53(1) of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2000
(Act No. 2 of 2000)

[Regulation 10]

A. Particulars of private body

The Head:

B. Particulars of person requesting access to the record

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| (a) | The particulars of the person who requests access to the record must be given below. |
| (b) | The address and/or fax number in the Republic to which the information is to be sent must be given. |
| (c) | Proof of the capacity in which the request is made, if applicable, must be attached. |

Full names and surname:

Identity number:

Postal address:

Fax number:

Telephone number:

E-mail address:

Capacity in which request is made, when made on behalf of another person:

C. Particulars of person on whose behalf request is made

This section must be completed <i>ONLY</i> if a request for information is made on behalf of <i>another</i> person.

Full names and surname:

Identity number:

D. Particulars of record

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| (a) | Provide full particulars of the record to which access is requested, including the reference number if that is known to you, to enable the record to be located. |
| (b) | If the provided space is inadequate, please continue on a separate folio and attach it to this form. The requester must sign all the additional folios. |

- 1 Description of record or relevant part of the record:
- 2 Reference number, if available:
- 3 Any further particulars of record:

E. Fees

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| <p>(a) A request for access to a record, other <i>than</i> a record containing personal information about yourself, will be processed only after a request fee has been paid.</p> <p>(b) You will be <i>notified of</i> the amount required to be paid as the request fee.</p> <p>(c) The fee payable for access to a record depends <i>on</i> the form <i>in which</i> access is required and the reasonable time <i>required</i> to search for and prepare a record.</p> <p>(d) If you qualify for exemption <i>of</i> the payment <i>of</i> any fee, please state the reason for exemption.</p> |
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Reason for exemption from payment of fees:

F. Form of access to record

<p>If you are prevented by a disability to read, view or listen to the record in the form of access provided for in 1 to 4 hereunder, state your disability and indicate in which form the record is required.</p>
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Disability:	Form in which record is required
<p>Mark the appropriate box with an X.</p> <p>NOTES:</p> <p>(a) Compliance with your request in the specified form may depend on the form in which the record is available.</p> <p>(b) Access in the form requested may be refused in certain circumstances. In such a case you will be informed if access will be granted in another form.</p> <p>(c) The fee payable for access for the record, if any, will be determined partly by the form in which access is requested.</p>	

1. If the record is in written or printed form:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	copy of record*	<input type="checkbox"/>	inspection of record
2. If record consists of visual images this includes photographs, slides, video recordings, computer-generated images, sketches, etc)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	view the images	<input type="checkbox"/>	copy of the images"
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	transcription of the images*
3. If record consists of recorded words or information which can be reproduced in sound:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	listen to the soundtrack audio cassette	<input type="checkbox"/>	transcription of soundtrack* written or printed document
4. If record is held on computer or in an electronic or machine-readable form:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	printed copy of record*	<input type="checkbox"/>	printed copy of information derived from the record"
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	copy in computer readable form* (stiffy or compact disc)
<p>'If you requested a copy or transcription of a record (above), do you wish the copy or transcription to be posted to you? Postage is payable.</p>			<p>YES NO</p>

G Particulars of right to be exercised or protected

If the provided space is inadequate, please continue on a separate folio and attach it to this form. The requester must sign all the additional folios.

1. Indicate which right is to be exercised or protected:
2. Explain why the record requested is required for the exercise or protection of the aforementioned right:

H. Notice of decision regarding request for access

You will be notified in writing whether your request has been approved/denied. If you wish to be informed in another manner, please specify the manner and provide the necessary particulars to enable compliance with your request.

How would you prefer to be informed of the decision regarding your request for access to the record?

Signed at..... This..... day of20

SIGNATURE OF REQUESTER / PERSON ON
WHOSE BEHALF REQUEST IS MADE