

April 28, 2022

Trent Wotherspoon, Chair Standing Committee on Public Accounts Room 162, Legislative Building REGINA, SK S4S 0B3 Colleen Young, Deputy Chair Standing Committee on Public Accounts Room 203, Legislative Building REGINA, SK S4S 0B3

Dear Sir and Madam:

Re: Fourth Quarter Financial Forecast

As required by Section 10.7 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*, I am pleased to submit to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts the Office of the Provincial Auditor of Saskatchewan's Fourth Quarter Financial Forecast for the year ending March 31, 2022.

Sincerely,

J. Clenette

Tara Clemett, CPA, CA, CISA Provincial Auditor

/dd Enclosure

cc: R. Park, Procedural Clerk, Procedural Services, Legislative Assembly (via email)



Office of the Provincial Auditor of Saskatchewan 4th Quarter Financial Forecast Year Ending March 31, 2022

Provincial Auditor

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(thousands of dollars)

		4 th Quarter			2021-22 Year Ending
	2021-22	Forecast	Budget	o Variance	March 31 st
	Approved	To Year	Forecas		Actual
Expenditures	Budget ²	End	Varianc	e (Note)	(unaudited)
Provincial Auditor (PA01)					
Operations (non-statutory)					
Salaries	\$ 5,470	\$ 5,379	\$ 91	A	\$ 5,379
Goods and Services	2,874	2,540	334	ŧ В	2,540
Total Operations (non-statutory)	8,344	7,919	425	5	\$ 7,919
Provincial Auditor's Salary	240	284	(44	4) C	284
(statutory)					
Total Provincial Auditor (PA01)	\$ 8,584	\$ 8,203	\$ 38 1		\$ 8,203
Unforeseen Expenses (PA02) ¹					
Salaries	\$ 568	\$-	\$ 568	3 D	\$-
Total Appropriation	\$ 9,152	\$ 8,203	\$ 949		<mark>\$ 8,203</mark>

Reasons for Significant Variances:

A - Includes the impact of higher staff turnover than anticipated.

B - Includes a reduction in audit and training related travel expenses due to COVID-19 pandemic and reduced contracted services.

C - Actual statutory salary for Provincial Auditor, which includes vacation payouts.

D - No unforeseen expenses requiring use of this appropriation.

¹ Provides for unforeseen expenses pursuant to Section 10.1 of *The Provincial Auditor Act*

² The Standing Committee on Public Accounts approved the Office's budget on December 9, 2020. The Standing Committee on House Services approved the Office's budget on May 10, 2021. The Office's budget is included on page 145 of the Government's *2021-22 Estimates*.