

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

November 14, 2006

### MINUTE NO. 39

10:30 a.m. - Room 8

1. **PRESENT:** Mr. Hermanson in the Chair and Members Borgerson, Cheveldayoff, Chisholm, Crofford, Iwanchuk, and Junor\*.

#### **Substituting Member**

Ms. Junor for Mr. Trew

#### **Provincial Auditor's Office**

Fred Wendel, Provincial Auditor

Judy Ferguson, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Charlene Drotar, Principal

Jane Knox, Principal

Kim Lowe, Principal

#### **Provincial Comptroller's Office**

Larry Boys, Manager, Financial Management Branch

Jane Borland, Manager, Financial Management Branch

2. The committee proceeded to consider Chapter 10 (Managing for results) of the *2005 Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 3)*. Ms. Knox of the Office of the Provincial Auditor provided an overview of the chapter.

The following departmental officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

#### Witnesses

Terry Lang, Deputy Minister, Corrections and Public

Mae Boa, Executive Director, Management Services, Corrections and Public

Jim McIlmoyl, Executive Director, Strategic Policy Branch, Corrections and Public

Raelynn Douglas, Director, Performance Management Branch, Finance

John Law, Deputy Minister, Highways and Transportation

Terry Schmidt, Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations, Highways and Transportation

Ted Stobbs, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services Division, Highways and Transportation

Gary Diebel, Director, Finance and Administration Branch, Highways and Transportation

Tim Kealey, Director, Corporate Support Branch, Highways and Transportation

3. The committee concurred with recommendation 10-1 made at page 243 of Chapter 10 (Managing for results) of the *2005 Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 3)* that the Department of Corrections and Public Safety and the Department of Highways and Transportation should analyze and report quarterly to executive managers the departments' progress toward planned outcomes. The committee noted that the Department of Corrections and Public Safety and the Department of Highways and Transportation are making progress towards complying with the recommendation.

4. The following document was tabled:

**PAC 48/25 Department of Corrections and Public Safety:** Management Report Highlights Report for the month of July 2006, Mid-year Management Report 2005-06, and Management Report Year-end 2005-06.

5. The committee proceeded to consider Chapter 21 (Reporting on Infrastructure – Follow-up) of the *2005 Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 3)*. Ms. Ferguson of the Office of the Provincial Auditor provided an overview of the chapter.

The following departmental officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

John Law, Deputy Minister, Highways and Transportation

Terry Schmidt, Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations, Highways and Transportation

Ted Stobbs, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services Division, Highways and Transportation

Gary Diebel, Director, Finance and Administration Branch, Highways and Transportation

Tim Kealey, Director, Corporate Support Branch, Highways and Transportation

Deb McDonald, Deputy Minister, Property Management

Garth Rusconi, Assistant Deputy Minister, Accommodation Services Division, Property Management

Donald Koop, Assistant Deputy Minister, Commercial Services Division, Property Management

6. The committee adjourned at 11:31 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

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Margaret A. Woods  
Committee Clerk

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Elwin Hermanson  
Committee Chair