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Dear Chair,

I am writing with respect to our mutual commitment to ensuring the responsible and appropriate use of public funds.

I would like to draw your attention to the Broader Public Sector Executive Compensation Act, 2014 (the Act), which came into force on March 16, 2015. The purpose of this Act is to better manage executive compensation in the broader public sector.

An important part of that will include issuing directives requiring that designated employers provide compensation information. Based on that, our government has established the Broader Public Sector Compensation Information Directive (the Directive), effective April 1, 2015.

The Directive sets out the requirements under which designated employers — such as your organization and all others designated under the Act — must provide compensation information.

Both the Act and the Directive are tools to support our common pursuit of fiscal sustainability within the public sector and eliminating the provincial deficit by 2017. To that end, the government is committed to further consultations and research that will support responsible compensation frameworks for designated employers and their executives.

Please refer to the attached memo from George Zegarac, Deputy Minister of Education, for further information about the Broader Public Sector Executive Compensation Act, 2014 and the Broader Public Sector Compensation Information Directive.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to public education.

Sincerely,

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Minister

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