

FW: Interview requests re: Fair Hydro Plan

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Lawvin, Alisha:

It's Matt McClearn from The Globe again. The Ministry of Finance is indicating that its signature on the Public Accounts is limited. (See below.) This suggests that Ms. Angus and Ms. Veinot carry greater responsibility for the financial statements. I didn't realize that. Can you please confirm the Finance Ministry's understanding? Why do they assume greater responsibility than Mr. Thompson?

In any case, I request an interview with Ms. Angus about her role in the accounting and financial structure of the Fair Hydro Plan and its impact on the Public Accounts. And I wanted to check in on the status of my request with Ms. Veinot. Thanks and regards,

Matt.



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Hi Matt –

Deputy Minister Thompson signs a Statement of Responsibility as part of the Public Accounts process, along with Helen Angus (Deputy Minister of Treasury Board) and Cindy Veinot (Provincial Controller).

He signs off solely in his capacity as the Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Finance to provide reasonable assurance that transactions recorded in the Consolidated Financial Statements are within statutory authority, assets are properly safeguarded and reliable financial information is available for preparation of the Consolidated Financial

Statements, from the Ministry of Finance perspective.

As I said in my previous email, the Public Accounts are overseen by Treasury Board and the Fair Hydro Plan is overseen by the Ministry of Energy.

Therefore if you have any further questions about Public Accounts or the Fair Hydro Plan, we would respectfully request that you contact those ministries.

I hope this helps.

Regards,

Scott

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