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By email: kelly.hjorth@yukonombudsman.ca

Kelly Hjorth Investigator and Compliance Review Officer Yukon Ombudsman 3162 Third Avenue, Main Floor Whitehorse, Yukon, Y1A 1G3

Dear Kelly Hjorth,

Re: OMB-INV-2024-07-110 - YAEP Response to Investigation Report

Thank you for providing the YAEP with the Investigation Report dated January 30, 2025, in the above-mentioned matter, and the opportunity to provide responses to the "IV Conclusions" and "V Recommendations" therein.

With respect to the "IV Conclusions", the YAEP acknowledges that Issue 1 - Bias/Conflict of Interest is unsubstantiated. YAEP accepts the findings of the Ombudsman with respect to the procedural issues identified as Issue 2 and Issue 3.

YAEP will implement the five recommendations of the Ombudsman to YAEP in accordance with the proposed timelines.

We appreciate the Ombudsman's guidance and assistance, and look forward to working with your office to ensure a timely resolution of these matters.

Best///

Ethan Emery
Executive Director