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To: Mayors and Councillors
Chairs and Directors of Regional District Boards
Chairs and Directors of Greater Boards

Greetings to All:

Re: Annual Service Plan for 2014/15 - 2016/17

I am pleased to advise you that the Auditor General for Local Government annual service plan for the period 2014/15 - 2016/17 will be released on our website www.aglg.ca at the end of day Monday, March 24.

The *Auditor General for Local Government Act* requires that an annual service plan be published prior to commencing performance audits during the next fiscal year.

The annual service plan informs local governments and citizens of our goals, strategic objectives and the actions we will undertake over the next three years. Publishing our plans serves to make us accountable for the tax dollars we spend.

This plan builds on our previous plans and the year of hard work during which we launched 18 performance audits of local governments on three topics. We continue to work toward the same four goals and six audit themes we identified last year through extensive consultations.

Over the past year, our performance audit work has enabled me to visit 18 local governments in communities across the province. I very much appreciate the warm welcome I received and the productive exchange of ideas and views. This has added significantly to our understanding of the diverse circumstances of British Columbia's local governments and has positioned us well for our future performance audit work.

Looking ahead, we will continue to emphasize strong, productive and respectful relationships with local governments. We will continue to provide accessible information about our audits such as our protocols and key decision points for local governments participating in a performance audit.

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I want to thank the local governments we have worked with and the hundreds of British Columbians who have taken the time to let us know their concerns and priorities. This information is valuable as we strive to play a constructive role in assisting local governments to carry out their operations with economy, efficiency and effectiveness.

I continue to be impressed with the level of commitment, passion and dedication local governments demonstrate in serving their communities and furthering the public interest.

I hope you will take the opportunity to read our service plan and share your feedback and comments with us. Please send your comments to info@aglg.ca or call the office at 604-930-7100.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Basia Ruta', written in a cursive style.

Basia Ruta, CPA, CA
Auditor General for Local Government

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