

MINISTER

OF MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

Room 317 Legislative Building Winnipeg, Manitoba CANADA R3C 0V8

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Ms. Ramona Coey Mechanical Contractors Association of Manitoba (MCAM) <u>ramona@mcamb.ca</u>

Dear Ms. Coey:

I am writing to inform you of an important organizational change intended to improve provincially managed inspection, certification and training services. The Office of the Fire Commissioner has transitioned from a Special Operating Agency into core government. This clarifies its relationship to the Department of Municipal Relations but does not change the overall function and mandate of the organization which will be organized into the Inspections and Technical Services Branch and the Office of the Fire Commissioner Branch. As a key stakeholder to the organization, we will continue to work with you as we move forward to ensure that the province continues to provide the same level of high quality service.

I am also pleased to announce that Ryan Schenk has assumed the role of Acting Fire Commissioner, effective June 1, 2020. Please do not hesitate to contact him by email at <u>Ryan.Schenk@gov.mb.ca</u> or by phone at 204-945-3446 if you have any questions related to the Office of the Fire Commissioner. Cheryl Lashek, Director remains as the lead contact for Inspection and Technical Services Branch and can be reached at <u>Cheryl.Lashek@gov.mb.ca</u> or by phone at 204-945-3507.

Municipal relations looks forward to working with you to continue to strengthen our working relationship in this new structure.

Warmest regards,

Honourable Rochelle Squires Minister

c. Bruce Gray, Deputy Minister of Municipal Relations Ryan Schenk, A/Fire Commissioner, Office of the Fire Commissioner Cheryl Lashek, Director, Inspection and Technical Services