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Vernon Jubilee Hospital Inpatient Beds Project Board

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Via Email

## **Re:** Vernon Jubilee Hospital Inpatient Project Procurement

I was appointed as Fairness Advisor for the Vernon Jubilee Hospital Inpatient Project procurement process in March of 2013. I was assigned to monitor the procurement process in both the Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") and Request for Proposals ("RFP") phases of the Project. I reported on the RFQ process on June 18, 2013. This report is my report on the RFP process.

During the RFP process either I or my alternates Jeff Hand, Scott Brearley and Stephen Berezowskyj, performed the following services:

- 1. Reviewed the RFP documentation, including the evaluation guidelines.
- 2. Attended evaluation orientation meetings.
- 3. Attended six collaborative meetings with the Project Proponents.
- 4. Attended six meetings of the Evaluation Committee, including the final technical and financial evaluation meetings.
- 5. Attended two special purpose meetings.
- 6. Monitored correspondence exchanged between and amongst PartnershipsBC, the evaluation team and the proponents.

Where meetings were attended by my alternates I received reports from them following the meetings. Based on my observations and review of the documentation and information made available to me, I am satisfied that the procurement process during the RFP phase of this Project adhered to the RFP Guidelines, was fully transparent and was conducted in a robust manner without bias being shown towards any one or more of the proponents. Additionally, I found the evaluation team and their advisors to be keenly aware of the need to abide by fairness principles and the guidelines set out in the RFP.

In short, I found the RFP process on this Project to be fair in all respects.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Singleton, Q.C.

Dated: February 26, 2014

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