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To: All Municipal Financial Administrators

Re: Property Taxation - Provincial Class Multiples for 2024 and Municipal Taxation Rate Cap for Class 2 Property for 2024

1. Provincial Class Multiples for 2024

Provincial class multiples to be used in setting tax rates for regional district requisitions (and improvement district requisitions, where applicable) levied on the hospital assessment base for 2024 are unchanged from 2023. The multiples established by British Columbia Regulations 426/2003 and 439/2003 are as follows:

	Property Class	Class Multiple
1	Residential	1.0:1
2	Utilities	3.5:1
3	Supportive Housing	1.0:1
4	Major Industry	3.4:1
5	Light Industry	3.4:1
6	Business and Other	2.45:1
7	Managed Forest Land	3.0:1
8	Recreation/Non-Profit	1.0:1
9	Farm	1.0:1

The foregoing multiples are also to be used in setting tax rates for regional hospital district purposes (B.C. Reg. 406/82).

2. Municipal Taxation Rate Cap for Class 2 Property for 2000 and Subsequent Years

Extract from B.C. Regulation 329/96:

- "2. In setting the tax or levy rate for class 2 property for general municipal purposes, a municipality must not exceed the greater of:
 - a) \$40 for each \$1,000 of assessed value, and
 - b) 2.5 times the rate applicable to class 6 property for general municipal purposes in the municipality for the same taxation year."

Note that the term "general municipal revenue" is defined in the regulation.

For those municipalities specifically listed in the schedule to the regulation (copy of Schedule 4 attached), the maximum tax rate is different. The tax rate is not to exceed the greater of the rate cap (column 1) or the value calculated as the product of the ratio cap (column 2) multiplied by the rate set for class 6 property.

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Local Government Finance Attachment

Attachment – Taxation Rate Cap for Class 2 Property Regulation

Schedule 4 - 2000 and Subsequent Years

Name of Jurisdiction	Rate Cap	Ratio Cap
Village of Chase	40.0	4.73
District of Chetwynd	43.63	2.5
Village of Cumberland	40.0	7.2
District of Fort St. James	40.0	3.44
District of Kent	40.0	5.56
Town of Lake Cowichan	40.0	2.89
District of Mission	40.0	2.9
City of Nanaimo	46.32	2.5
District of North Vancouver	40.0	3.82
City of Pitt Meadows	40.0	3.29
City of Port Coquitlam	40.0	3.06
City of Port Moody	40.0	3.28
Village of Pouce Coupe	47.2	2.5
City of Revelstoke	42.2	2.77
Village of Slocan	40.0	7.91
City of Terrace	64.39	2.5
Town of View Royal	40.0	3.64
City of White Rock	40.0	3.1