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Dear :

We have noticed you are not receiving your assistance payments by direct deposit to a bank account. The ministry's preferred method of issuing disability assistance is that clients receive payments by direct deposit.

Direct deposit is:

Safe: no need to carry large sums of cash. A bank or credit union is a safe place to keep your money.

Convenient: no need to visit an Employment and Assistance office for your cheque. You have easy access to your money through automatic teller machines 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Dependable: money is deposited into your account automatically and the money can be withdrawn immediately.

Private: ministry staff can only deposit money into your bank account. Banks and credit unions are not authorized to release information about your account to the government or anyone else without your permission or a court order.

Signing up for direct deposit is easy. All you need to do is:

- Provide a void personalized cheque or
- Have the bank complete the box below, and stamp it or
- Provide a letter from the bank with the same information that is in the box.

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You can then return the information by fax, mail or in person to an Employment and Assistance office (see the bottom of this letter for address and fax number).

BANK OR FINANCIAL IN	ISTITUTION	
JOINT ACCOUNT? 🗌 YES 🛛 NO		
NAME OF PERSON(S) ON THE ACCOUNT		
BANK OR FINANCIAL INSTITU	TION	
STREET		CITY
PROVINCE	POSTAL CODE	PHONE NUMBER
BANK NUMBER	TRANSIT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NUMBER

For more information, please contact the Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation or visit the ministry website at: <u>http://www.gov.bc.ca/sdsi/</u>

Sincerely,

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