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Frank Leonard, Chair
Agricultural Land Commission
133-4940 Canada Way
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Dear Mr. Leonard:

Our respective organizations have been working together to support an open and positive working relationship in the context of the Government-wide Taxpayer Accountability Principles (TAP) process. In that regard, attached are:

- Government's Letter of Expectations for the Agricultural Land Commission, which outlines the Commission's and Ministry of Agriculture's respective roles and responsibilities and confirms priority actions for the Commission, in the context of the TAP principles. The letter also sets out expectations for timely, two-way communication critical to the delivery of public services; and
- A Ministerial Order, effective March 3, 2016, including performance targets developed following discussions between the ministry and the Commission. The targets complement the B.C. government's efforts to help the Commission modernize their services and delivery model, to serve B.C. farmers and promote farming.

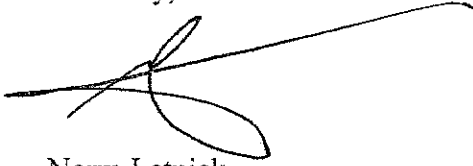
Consistent with the \$1.1 million (33%) base budget increase the Commission received through Balanced Budget 2016 and new fees for Commission activities announced today, as of April 1, 2016, the Commission must implement a money back guarantee, providing applicants a full refund if they do not receive a decision on their application within 90 business days.

Please review, sign and return the attached Letter of Expectation to my Deputy Minister as soon as possible.

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I look forward to our continued positive communication and engagement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a long horizontal line that loops back and crosses itself twice before ending.

Norm Letnick
Minister

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Deputy Minister of Agriculture

Kim Grout
CEO, Agricultural Land Commission

Attachments: Letter of Expectation
Ministerial Order