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**Criminal Justice Branch Releases Public Education Materials:
2014/15 Annual Report and New Information Sheets**

Victoria - Today, the Criminal Justice Branch of the Ministry of Justice released its 2014/15 Annual Report.

The Annual Report provides the public with information on the role of the B.C. Prosecution Service and the values that guide its work, as well as access to key operational data such as the volume of prosecution files that were approved in the 2014/15 fiscal year, and the aggregate outcomes of prosecution files that concluded in this same time frame. Specific analysis is provided in relation to impaired driving, domestic violence, child and youth victims, and peace officer involved offences.

The Annual Report also notes the progress on the Branch's criminal justice reform agenda and includes information on its Key Performance Indicators, which help measure the Prosecution Service's progress in achieving its goals. The results for 2014/15 are provided and compared to the 2013/14 results.

As part of its efforts to enhance public understanding of the B.C. Prosecution Service, the Branch continues to develop plain language Information Sheets on various topics of interest to the general public, such as the Role of Crown Counsel, Domestic Violence Prosecutions and Role of Special Prosecutors.

The Annual Report and Information Sheets are available on the Branch's Internet site:
<http://www.ag.gov.bc.ca/prosecution-service>

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Branch Vision

Courageous, Fair and Efficient – A Prosecution Service that has the Confidence of the Public.

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