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Honourable John A. Lohr
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Delivered via email

Dear Minister Lohr,

Re: Amendment to the Property Valuation Services Corporation Act

As you may know, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities (NSFM) sits on the Board of Directors of the Property Valuation Services Corporation (PVSC). Engagement on this Board is important for NSFM and our members, however, NSFM would like the ability to assign another member of our Senior Management Team to participate in meetings as designated by our CEO.

After having met with the PVSC Board Chair, Joseph Feeney, to discuss this matter – I received a letter on March 9, 2023, indicating that an alternative appointment could not be made by NSFM because of current legislation in the PVSC Act that states the following:

15 (2) The Executive Director of the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities is a non-voting member of the Board.

With the support of the NSFM Board of Directors, I'm therefore requesting that section 15 (2) of the PVSC Act be amended to state the following:

The Chief Executive Officer, or designate, of the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities is a non-voting member of the Board.

We appreciate the Department's attention to this minor administrative change as it will facilitate ongoing engagement between the NSFM and PVSC.

Sincerely,

Brenda Chisholm-B

Brenda Chisholm-Beaton, President
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