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Mr. Steve Broadhurst, Supervisor, Infrastructure and Asset Management Manitoulin-Sudbury District Administration Board 210 Mead Boulevard Espanola, Ontario P5E 1R9

Dear Mr. Broadhurst:

Re: Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) for Ontario Program

As part of the recently announced multilateral Affordable Housing Framework, the province has developed the Investment in Affordable Housing for Ontario (IAH) program, a joint initiative between Ontario and the federal government for the creation and repair of affordable housing over four years.

This new initiative offers a variety of program components aimed at addressing affordable housing needs across the housing continuum and provides increased flexibility, with accountability, to municipal Service Managers, housing proponents, and other housing partners to deliver affordable housing in their communities.

I am pleased to provide you with details on your IAH notional allocation.

Service Managers are being provided with details on their notional allocation to assist with planning for the IAH. I am pleased to advise that the total notional funding allocation for the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Administration Board is up to \$1,015,176, and is divided by fiscal year, as shown below:

Manitoulin-Sudbury District Administration Board			
Year 2 2012-13	Year 3 2013-14	Year 4 2014-15	Total
\$416,595	\$417,341	\$181,241	\$1,015,176

Funding must be committed by December 31<sup>st</sup> of each fiscal year or it may be re-allocated. Please note that moving funding between fiscal years is not permitted under the IAH.

The ministry has designed Year 1 (2011-12) as a transitional year and no allocation is being provided for this year. Service Managers who have the capacity to commit funds in this fiscal year are encouraged to request to bring forward funding from their overall total notional allocation.

A maximum of \$47.5 million is available to be approved for Year 1. The ministry will approve funding requests until the maximum amount has been reached. Service Managers who receive funding approval for Year 1 will have their annual allocations for Years 2 to 4 adjusted to reflect their remaining balance.

Please note that the ministry reserves the right to adjust and reduce each Service Manager's fiscal year funding allocation for Years 2 to 4 if the maximum Year 1 funding amount is not reached by December 31, 2011.

Any remaining Year 1 balance will be pooled together and distributed in January 2012 to construction-ready projects or other available components to ensure that all Year 1 funds are utilized.

Finally, participation in the IAH is subject to the Service Manager and the province entering into an Administration Agreement. An Administration Agreement will be sent to you shortly.

Further program details will be provided in the near future. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact your regional Municipal Services Office (MSO) Team Lead.

I look forward to working with the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Administration Board throughout the implementation of the Investment in Affordable Housing program in the coming months. In the meantime, the province continues to encourage the federal government to develop a long-term affordable housing strategy that will allow both the province and municipal Service Managers to plan for their ongoing housing needs.

Yours sincerely,

Janet Hope

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