Dear Minister:

I am pleased to submit this Activity Plan for the activities of the Buildings Accessibility Advisory Board (the board) for the fiscal years 2017-20. This plan is prepared in compliance with the Transparency and Accountability Act, pursuant to which the board has been categorized as a Category 3 government entity and which requires the board to prepare a performance-based activity plan. In developing this plan, the board has considered the strategic directions of Government. The board is accountable for the preparation of this plan and for the achievement of its objectives.

The board is primarily mandated to report to and advise the Minister on the application of the Buildings Accessibility Act and its associated regulations, and on other matters related to the Act and its regulations that may be assigned to the board by the Minister. We look forward to fulfilling this mandate throughout the 2017-20 planning period.

Regards,

Cecilia Carroll
Chair
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Overview
The Buildings Accessibility Advisory Board is appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council under the authority of section 18 of the Buildings Accessibility Act (the Act). The board consists of a chairperson, representatives of persons with disabilities, one representative of the department (other than the Director of Engineering and Inspection Services), and those other members that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint. This public body, which is funded by Service NL, serves solely in an advisory capacity.

Mandate
The mandate of the board is to report to, and advise the Minister of Service NL on the application of the Act and its associated regulations, and on other matters related to the Act and regulations that may be assigned to the board by the Minister.

Primary Clients
Generally speaking, the board’s clients are those who benefit from improvements resulting from the board’s advice. The board’s sole direct client is the Minister of Service NL, to whom the board provides advice. More broadly, the board’s clients are the general public, particularly persons with disabilities and those representing the interests of persons with disabilities.

Objective
The following objective represents the focus of the board in each of the years of this plan and includes performance measurement information (i.e. measures and indicators) to assist the entity and the public in monitoring and evaluating success.

By March 31, 2018, 2019 and 2020, the Buildings Accessibility Advisory Board will have fulfilled all the requirements under the Buildings Accessibility Act by advising on matters pertaining to accessibility in buildings, associated entrances, parking spaces, walkways and other facilities, as per its mandate.

Indicators:
- Meetings held, as required.
- Advice provided to Minister on the application of the Act and the regulations.
- Other activities undertaken, as assigned by the Minister.