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September 16, 2014

To: All Public PostSecondary Institution Board Chairs

Re: Taxpayer Accountability Principles Addendum to 2014/15 Government's Letter of Expectations

Further to the Taxpayer Accountability Principles (attached) recently announced by Premier

5. Participate in regular meetings with myself, and ensure your President meets regularly with the Deputy Minister to focus on performance against the Taxpayer Accountability Principles, results and strategic decision making.
6. Complete an annual Chair/President letter, which will be published in the 2014/15 Institutional Accountability Plan & Report (Report) that reports on your institution's performance in relation to the mandate letter. The Report must include a Taxpayer Accountability Principles implementation progress report.
7. Work with the Ministry to develop an evaluation plan with specific efficiency and performance measures as determinates of the institution's health and performance against the Taxpayer Accountability Principles, which may include annual feedback from government. A "transitional" phase one evaluation plan may be used for 2014/15 and published in the 2014/15 Report. The fully developed evaluation plan is to be used in 2015/16 and reported in the 2015/16 Report.

The Taxpayer Accountability Principles are being implemented to enhance public sector governance, increase accountability, promote cost control, and ensure the provincial public sector organizations operate in the best interest of the taxpayers. To support the implementation of the Taxpayer Accountability Principles, please ensure all board members sign this addendum to the 2014/15 GLE, by September 30, 2014. This letter and signed addendum is to be posted publicly on your organization's website.

The principles have a strong focus on improved two-way communication between government and the provincial public postsecondary institutions, to ensure a complete understanding of expectations. I look forward to working with you further on the implementation of Taxpayer Accountability Principles.

Should you have questions please contact Ms. Sandra Carroll, Deputy Minister of Advanced Education.

Sincerely,

Amrik Virk  
Minister

Attachments

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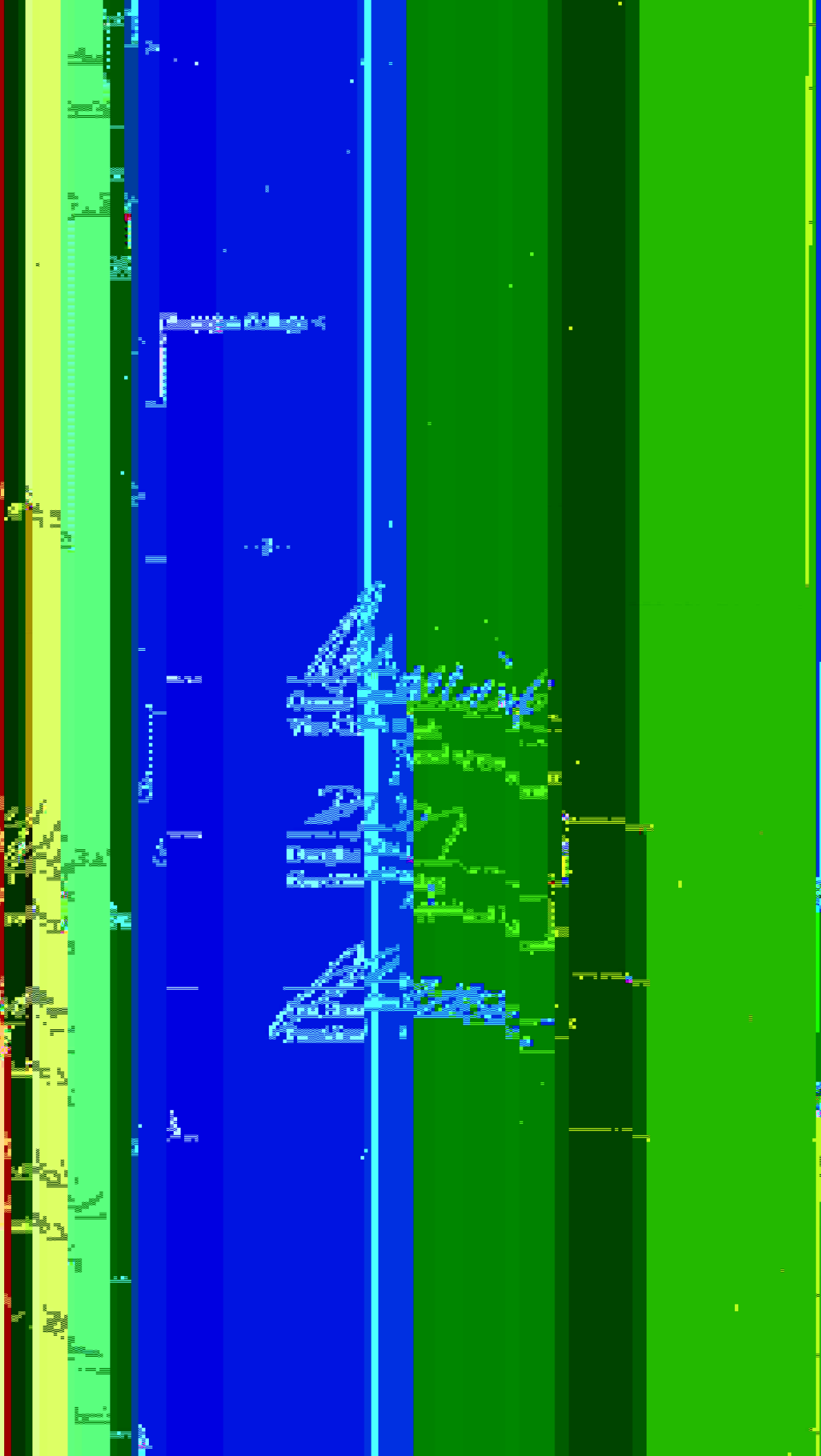
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## B.C. Taxpayer Accountability Principles

Further information available at: <http://gov.bc.ca/crownaccountabilities>

- 1 Cost Consciousness  
(Efficiency)

Strengthen cost management capabilities and foster a culture of cost-consciousness at all levels of public sector organizations. Provide public services and programs as efficiently and effectively as possible to “bend the cost curve” and support sustainable public policies and programs as a lasting legacy for generations to come.

pc: Honourable Christy Clark