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To: All CEOs and General Managers, BC Credit Unions

Re: Capital Adequacy Return – New Filing Requirements

The Financial Institutions Commission (FICOM) has now finished reviewing the comments provided from BC Credit Unions on the changes to the annual filing requirements. We appreciate all the feedback we received. Based on that feedback, FICOM will be implementing two key reporting changes to the Capital Adequacy Return (CAR) and Financial & Statistical Return (FSR) effective 2016.

Firstly, credit unions will be required to seek an external audit opinion on their CAR at fiscal year-end. An audit opinion on the FSR at fiscal year-end will not be required at this time. In order to clarify our requirements, we will change the name of the return from audited FSR to annual FSR.

Secondly, the CAR and FSR will continue to be prepared on a non-consolidated basis. We are deferring the decision on a consolidated return until a more comprehensive review is conducted on the FSR. We expect to undertake a review of the FSR in the coming months.

Details including revised completion guides will be provided in mid-2015 for comment. These changes are anticipated to come into effect for year ending on or after September 30, 2016.

Please address any questions or comments regarding these changes to Stanley Chang, Director, Information Management at stanley.chang@ficombc.ca or 604 660-1916.

Yours truly,

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