

Memorandum

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Deputy Minister of Justice

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DATE: July 22, 2024

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SUBJECT: Request for a Response to Recommendation – JRA Fatality Inquiry

Please find enclosed a copy of the Honourable Justice J.B. Champion's report to the Minister of Justice regarding the public fatality inquiry into the death of JRA. This report will be publicly released on July 24, 2024. Please do not share the contents of the report in any manner that would cause it to become available publicly prior to this time.

The following recommendations may impact Technology and Innovation. These recommendations are copied below, verbatim, from Justice Champion's report:

3.1 – It is recommended that the appropriate levels of government undertake immediate steps to provide reliable and consistent high-speed Internet and 911 access available in Fort Chipewyan.

I ask that you please advise the following:

1. Whether Technology and Innovation accepts in principle, does not accept, or has a different response to the recommendation.
2. A brief explanation of why that decision was made.
3. If Technology and Innovation intends to accept the recommendation, or to implement different measures, what steps will be taken in that regard.

A response to this enquiry is not mandatory. However, be advised that this memorandum and any response received will be publicly released and posted on the Open Government Portal: <https://open.alberta.ca/opendata/responses-to-public-fatality-inquiry-recommendations>.

Please email Technology and Innovation's response to the Fatality Inquiry Coordinator Abid Mavani at abid.mavani@gov.ab.ca. If a response has not been received by November 25, 2024 (four months from the public release date of Justice Champion's report), that information will also be made publicly available.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Original Signed

Malcolm Lavoie, KC

Attachment

cc: Abid Mavani, Fatality Inquiry Coordinator