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Mr. Lee Doney Interim President and CEO Public Sector Employers' Council Secretariat Suite 210, 880 Douglas Street Victoria, BC V8W 2B7

Dear Mr. Doney

Further to the Public Sector Executive Compensation Reporting Guidelines issued in May 2014, please find attached the Statement of Executive Compensation covering the fiscal 2013 period for WorkSafeBC.

According to the Disclosure Checklist provided, this submission covers the completed Excel spreadsheet template provided by PSEC and the Summary Compensation Statement, including the Compensation Philosophy developed by the Board of Directors for WorkSafeBC.

To complete this filing in accordance with the direction received, I provide an attestation to the following:

- The Board of Directors is aware of the executive compensation paid in the prior fiscal year.
- The compensation information being disclosed is accurate and includes all
  compensation paid by the WorkSafeBC, foundations, subsidiaries, or any
  other organization related to or associated with WorkSafeBC. It also includes
  the value of any pre- or post-employment payments made during the 12
  month period before or after the term of employment.
- The compensation provided to this group was within approved compensation plans and complied with these guidelines.

Should you have any questions regarding the details contained in the submission, I would ask that you contact Larry Gregg, Director of People Services at 604-231-8416. Should you have any other questions, I would be happy to assist you.

Yours sincerely,

George Morfitt, CPA, FCA

Chair, WorkSafeBC Board of Directors

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# Statement of Executive Compensation Submitted by WorkSafeBC Period Covered: 2013

## **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

The Board of Directors, under its Terms of Reference, is responsible for compensation plans for the executive levels positions within the organization. It also reviews decisions made by the CEO on the salary plan established for the management group within the organization.

To set out its direction in these matters, the Board of Directors established a Management and Executive Compensation Policy, discussed below. The roles and responsibilities of the Human Resources and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors are outlined in the Board of Director's Manual.

The Compensation Policy outlines the statements of intention for the Board in establishing compensation for the groups involved. To accomplish this goal the Board embraces the following directions:

- Base salaries will be competitive with salaries offered to comparable positions in other relevant organizations.
- Salary scales will reflect each job's value to the organization and ensure that salary levels are internally equitable and consistent within and across functions.
- Where appropriate, salary policy will reward individual employees for performance, skills and behaviours that are important to the organization's success.

The Policy also identifies the target level of compensation for the organization and the comparison approach to be used by the Board of Directors. The policy targets the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of a market defined by the following:

- Other Workers' Compensation Boards, as selected by the Board of Directors
- Other B.C. Crown Corporations, as selected by the Board of Directors
- Any other relevant comparison group(s), as selected by the Board of Directors

The other relevant comparison groups have been determined to be the Provincial Private Sector, the National Public Sector and the National Insurance Sector. These groups were selected as being key recruitment pools for the organization in filling its executive and management level positions. The comparison is undertaken by a third party consulting firm with expertise in job and market comparisons. The job descriptions for the positions are provided to the consultant who then evaluates the legitimacy of the comparisons with available information. To date for its three most recent surveys WorkSafeBC has employed the services of Towers Watson to conduct the survey and to formulate the results for the consideration of the Board of Directors and for independent validity checks by the PSEC.

## Salary and Holdback Determination

Salary Progression and holdback reviews are conducted once a year. Once the compensation plan is accepted by PSEC, movement within the approved salary range is managed by the CEO and Board of Directors depending on the reporting relationship as outlined in the Term of Reference document defining the supervision role and responsibility of the position. The CEO is responsible for movement of the Vice Presidents while the Board of Directors would maintain sole discretion over the movements within the approved range for the CEO.

The annual holdback review process begins with the incumbent in the position providing their own evaluation of their performance in both the objective areas covered in their performance measures and personal development goals created in partnership with the subjective personal growth component of their development plan. Once these evaluations are completed, the supervisor will then provide their own evaluation of the performance of each individual executive member. In the case of the Vice President position, that supervisor is the CEO (in consultation with the Board of Directors). In the case of the CEO, the individual members of the Board of Directors are polled, in written form, regarding the observed performance of the CEO in the measurement period. This review is undertaken in the first month of the following year. Individual evaluations are made and performance indices created to determine the magnitude, if any, of the release of the holdback amount in light of the achievement of the stated objectives in the measurement period. It is also at this point where the measures for the year ahead are developed and communicated to the executive involved.

#### **Salaries**

In July 2012, the Minister of Finance announced new guidelines to cover Executive Compensation at Crown Corporations. There were a number of provisions in those guidelines and each Crown Corporation was required to file a compliance plan with PSEC and to have that plan approved by the Minister of Finance by the end of 2012. WorkSafeBC filed its compliance with PSEC and received approval for the plan from the Minister of Finance in November 2012.

The three major changes which impacted the compensation mix paid at WorkSafeBC were as follows:

- 1. There was to be an elimination of bonus structures paid to executives in favor of a holdback of up to 20% of the new salary established for the position under the calculation mechanism contained in the guidelines.
- 2. A new salary was to be created which was based on the previous base salary and the average bonus paid to the position in the preceding four years. Accordingly the new salary was not an increase in compensation but rather a realignment of existing compensation. The holdback would be taken from this new amount.
- 3. The previous recruitment and retention bonuses in place would have to be ended with the implementation of the new salary/holdback model.

To comply with the changes, WorkSafeBC converted the existing compensation mix, using the prescribed calculation, to create the new salary. The Board of Directors then decided that the plan would have a 10% holdback amount and developed its new compensation structure based on this approach. Lastly, with the implementation of this model, WorkSafeBC ended its retention bonuses and paid out any outstanding balances previously earn to those affected staff. The compliance plan

submitted and subsequently approved by the Minister saw these changes implemented as of January 1, 2013 so this report covers the first year under the new compensation structure.

The Board of Directors has implemented the compliance plan for the executive positions within WorkSafeBC at the levels approved by the Minister of Finance. Effective January 1, 2013, the compensation plans for the affected positions are as follows:

#### President and CEO

The new compensation plan for the incumbent has a salary of \$350,892 plus a 10% holdback of \$38,988 making for a maximum total salary of \$389,880.

The compliance plan also called for the creation of a new compensation plan, set 10% below the existing incumbent, for the position. This rate would be effective for any new hire after July 25, 2012. Using the mechanism established under the guidelines, the new plan was approved with a salary of \$315,803 plus a 10% holdback of \$35,089 making for a maximum total salary of \$350,892.

#### Senior Vice President Level

The new compensation plan for the incumbent has a salary of \$265,320 plus a 10% holdback of \$29,480 making for a maximum total salary of \$294,800.

The compliance plan also called for the creation of a new compensation plan, set 10% below the existing incumbent, for the position. This rate would be effective for any new hire after July 25, 2012. Using the mechanism established under the guidelines, the new plan was approved with a salary of \$238,788 plus a 10% holdback of \$26,532 making for a maximum total salary of \$265,320.

#### Vice President Level

The new compensation plan for the incumbent has a salary of \$229,140 plus a 10% holdback of \$25,460 making for a maximum total salary of \$254,600.

The compliance plan also called for the creation of a new compensation plan, set 10% below the existing incumbent, for the position. This rate would be effective for any new hire after July 25, 2012. Using the mechanism established under the guidelines, the new plan was approved with a salary of \$206,226 plus a 10% holdback of \$22,914 making for a maximum total salary of \$229,140.

#### **Benefits**

The benefits provided to the Executive levels positions are in most part identical to those received by the management group within WorkSafeBC. In a number of the benefit categories the levels are identical to those provided to the bargaining unit employees at WorkSafeBC.

The package contains the following components found in most benefit packages:

- Basic health coverage
- Extended health coverage
- Dental coverage
- Group life insurance
- LTD / AD&D
- Vacation Provisions

As part of this standard coverage, the executive group is part of the YourChoice flexible benefit plan program. This program provides a dollar value of benefits to managers who then may make selections of custom benefit packages which provide them more value based on their life position (single/married, children, spousal coverages) while not incurring an additional cost to organization as the funds available are capped at the standard benefit level.

The executive staff are also entitled to participate in a long service deferred compensation program which covers all employees at WorkSafeBC. This plan has been in place since prior to 1974 and the last change to the accrual model was in 1980. As a standalone employer WorkSafeBC has a number of people who move from bargaining unit to management and management to executive level positions so the plan is designed to cover everyone so there is no disincentive to movement from one level to another. The rate of accrual is:

## Completed Years of Continuous Service Payment

#### 10-14 years:

Four (4) weeks' salary plus twenty percent (20%) of four (4) weeks' salary for each year completed in the following period after ten (10) years' service.

#### 15-19 years:

Eight (8) weeks' salary plus twenty percent (20%) of four (4) weeks' salary for each year completed in the following period after fifteen (15) years of service.

#### 20-24 years:

Twelve (12) weeks' salary plus twenty percent (20%) of four (4) weeks' salary for each year completed in the following period after twenty (20) years of service.

# 25 years or more:

Sixteen (16) weeks' salary.

The executive staff is also covered for the WorkSafeBC Superannuation Plan, which is a registered defined benefit plan and a supplemental pension plan to provide benefits in excess of the *Income Tax Act* maximums. In addition, executives listed in this disclosure are able to purchase additional service in certain circumstances and to defined limits. This purchase is elective and in 2013 three of the individuals listed chose to purchase an additional year of service from after tax dollars.

There are two additional benefit components that are only available to those within the executive group. These two benefits are:

- A monthly car allowance of \$750/month (decreasing to \$625/month effective July1, 2014 as part of approved compliance plan).
- An annual health care spending account of up to \$ 3,126/year, which can be used to cover expenses over and above what is outlined in benefit coverage.

# **Compensation Summary Table**

The following is for 2013:

Name and Principal Position (a)	Salary (\$) (b)	Holdback Paid (\$) (c)	Benefits (\$) (d)	Pension (\$) (e)	All Other Compensation (\$) (expanded below)	Total (\$) (2013)	Previous Year Totals (2012)	Previous Year Totals (2011)
David Anderson, CEO	\$349,959	\$35,000	\$17,050	\$42,316	\$11,126	\$455,451	\$459,786	\$465,515
Steve Barnett, CFO^^ Brian Erickson, CFO^^^	\$0 \$264,797	\$0 \$23,584	\$0 \$15,239	\$0 \$31,667	\$0 \$12,026	\$0 \$347,314	\$264,830^ \$133,368	\$357,290
Roberta Ellis, VP	\$264,797	\$23,584	\$15,239	\$31,678	\$12,126	\$347,424	\$353,737	\$355,327
Diana Miles, VP	\$264,797	\$23,584	\$10,074	\$31,678	\$12,126	\$342,260	\$352,258	\$357,134
Pamela Cohen, VP #	\$187,534	\$20,368	\$13,981	\$23,222	\$48,260##	\$293,365	\$305,307	\$298,544

<sup>^ -</sup> This figure includes a long service allowance of \$37,231 payable upon departure.

## - This figure includes a long service allowance of \$36,134 payable upon departure

Name and Principal Position (a)	All Other Compensation (\$)	Severance (f)	Vacation Payout (g)	Leave Payout (h)	Vehicle / Transportation Allowance (i)	Perquisites / other Allowances (j)	Other (k)
David Anderson, CEO	\$11,126				\$9,000		\$2,126
Steve Barnett, CFO^^							
Brian Erickson, CFO^^^	\$12,126				\$9,000		\$3,126
Roberta Ellis, VP	\$12,126				\$9,000		\$3,126
Diana Miles, VP	\$12,126				\$9,000		\$3,126
Pamela Cohen, VP #	\$48,260				\$9,000		\$39,260##

- (d) figures shown include the following employer paid benefits:
  - Basic Medical (taxable)
  - Life Insurance (taxable)
  - Extended Life and Dental (non-taxable)
  - BAD/D (non-taxable)
  - LTD Premiums (non-taxable)
  - El and CPP
- (e) Amounts shown indicate the employer's contribution to the WCB Superannuation plan.
- (i) Amount shown is for Car Allowance of \$9,000/year
- (k) -- Amount shown is for Health Care Spending Account of up to \$3,126/year (actual varies based on usage)

<sup>^^ -</sup> Was CFO until departure at end of June 2012

<sup>^^^ -</sup> Appointed CFO as of July 1, 2012

<sup># -</sup> Retired in late 2013