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Dear Mr. Hay:

Enclosed please find the Ministry of Children and Family Development's *Operational and Strategic Directional Plan 2012/13 to 2014/15*.

This document builds and expands on the work which has taken place over the past year and the direction set out in the previously released executive summary, and provides a more detailed roadmap to guide us in our work over the coming three years. It reflects the voices and input of senior ministry staff, key stakeholder groups, community partners, Delegated Aboriginal Agencies and, where possible, direct recipients of ministry services.

I want to emphasize that this is very much a *directional* plan, intended to be shaped over time through our collective experiences as we action the items within – and through increased and ongoing consultation and rigorous evaluation, both of which will be embedded into our regular planning cycle.

I want to thank you for your input into this plan and for sharing with me your successes, challenges, ideas and priorities. Each of our conversations has contributed to my knowledge and understanding of the complexity – and scope – of the work being done throughout the province to support children, youth and families. It has also given me a greater understanding of the breadth and depth of knowledge within our many partner organizations – and, most importantly, a strong belief in our ability to work together to find creative solutions to the challenges we face.

I believe that, together, we have created a plan that better reflects the reality of our day-to-day work, while charting a clear path to carry us forward. I welcome your feedback and look forward to meeting with you over the coming months to talk about next steps.

Regards,

Stephen Brown
Deputy Minister

Enclosure