Office of the Fire Marshall (OFM)

Monthly Progress Report for July 2011

Activities July 1 to July 31, 2011

- Priority inspections continue for hospitals and schools.
 - Two more hospitals have been inspected, Soldiers' Memorial Hospital in Middleton and Lillian Fraser Memorial Hospital in Tatamagouche.
 - Inspections underway for elementary schools within the Annapolis Valley Regional School Board with completion expected by mid-August. Inspections will then move to the Tri-County School Board.
 - In cooperation with the Department of Education, conducted audits of the self-inspection program at six schools within the Cape Breton Regional School Board.
- Activity Reports for June 2011 from Deputy Fire Marshals include 139 inspections and 19 fire investigations.
- A guideline and a draft inspection checklist are now in the field and will be evaluated over the next two months. As well, a tracking system is now in use for orders issued as a result of inspections and for complaints received by the OFM.
- Continue to work with Deliotte on how LAE is responding to the AG's recommendations and expect a final report in August.
- Recommendations from Ambir Consulting received and under review on planned information system (IT).

Anticipated activities for August 1 to August 31, 2011

- Continue priority inspections for hospitals and schools.
- Recruitment for a Deputy Fire Marshal for Sydney.
- Continue meetings with other government departments and key stakeholders.