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Office of the Fire Marshal (OFM)

Monthly Progress Report for June 2011

Activities June 1 to June 30, 2011

- Priority inspections continue for hospitals and schools.
 - Two more hospitals have been inspected (Digby General and Roseway).
 - Four schools in the Cape Breton Victoria School Board district have been confirmed as no longer being used and removed from the list.
 - Discussions continue with school boards to finalize a plan for required priority inspections to start this summer.
 - Depending on the size of a hospital or school, it can take anywhere from half a day to several days to complete an inspection with additional time required to do analysis and write a report.
- Ambir Consulting of Halifax assessing planned management information system.
- Deloitte of Halifax hired to conduct an independent review of how LAE is responding to the AG’s report.
- New Deputy Fire Marshal now working in the Valley region.
- Activity reports for May 2011 from Deputy Fire Marshals include 114 inspections and 16 fire investigations.
- Discussions held with officials at the departments of Community Services, Environment, Justice, Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal, and Service Nova Scotia & Municipal Relations. These discussions include past practices and legislative requirements for inspections.
- Jurisdictional best practices review underway.

Anticipated activities for July 1 to July 31, 2011

- Continue priority inspections for hospitals and schools.
- Finalize a draft Inspection Checklist to be used and evaluated over the summer.
- Review material on definitions of 'serious fire deficiency' with the goal of developing and implementing quicker than the forecast 12 months.
- Continue meetings with other government departments and key stakeholders.