Office of the Fire Marshal (OFM)

Monthly Progress Report for November 2011

Activities November 1 to November 30, 2011

- Priority inspections continue for hospitals and schools.
 - Inspections have occurred at Northside General Hospital, Fishermen's Memorial Hospital, and Harbourview Hospital. Reports are pending review by the Fire Marshal.
 - School audits continued with acting Fire Marshal conducting audits at schools randomly selected by the department of Education. In November, 9 schools were audited and 2 schools were inspected in CBRM.
- Deputy Fire Marshal hired for the Sydney area.
- Activity Reports for October from the Deputy Fire Marshals include 166 inspections and 14 investigations.
- First meeting of municipalities working group (Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, the Association of Municipal Administrators of Nova Scotia, the Fire Inspectors Association of Nova Scotia, the Office of the Fire Marshal) was held.
- Began reviewing and compiling responses from questionnaire that was developed and circulated to municipal units last month.

Anticipated activities for December 1 to December 31, 2011

- Continue priority inspections of schools and hospitals.
- Continue meetings with other government departments and key stakeholders.
- Draft Risk Evaluation Framework to be reviewed by municipalities working group and legal counsel. Risk Evaluation Framework to be presented to Deputy Fire Marshals.