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**Western Regional Appeal Board
Activity Report
2006-2007**

Hon. Dave Denine, M.H.A.
Minister
Municipal Affairs
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Dear Minister Denine:

In accordance with Government's commitment to accountability, I have the honour to submit the Western Regional Appeal Board Activity Report for 2006-2007.

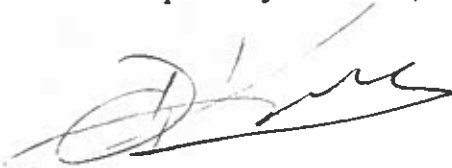
The mandate of the Board is to hear appeals by aggrieved individuals relating to an authority's decision to refuse a permit; add conditions to a permit; issue an order; or issue a permit. The Board also hears appeals resulting from an order issued under Section 408 of the *Municipalities Act, 1999*, section 240 of the *City of Mount Pearl Act* or Section 240 of the *City of Corner Brook Act*. Section 42 of the *Urban Rural Planning Act, 2000* outlines procedures with respect to appeals.

The Western Regional Appeal Board consists of the following: Daniel Kane (Chair), Tammy Eveleigh and Dwayne Cull. There are currently two vacancies on this Board. A quorum consists of a chairperson and two members. Coordination and technical support is provided by Municipal Affairs.

As Chairperson responsible for the Western Regional Appeal Board, I accept responsibility for the results in the 2006-2007 Activity Report. I am pleased to report that the Appeal Board was successful in processing 13 appeals in 2006-2007.

I look forward to the next fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel Kane
Chair
Western Regional Appeal Board

2006-07 Activity Report for the Western Regional Appeal Board

Government Entity Overview:

The Western Regional Appeal Board hears appeals relating to council decisions on development applications but may hear appeals arising from:

- any decision made under a town's development regulations, occupancy and maintenance regulations and/or interim development regulations.
- an order issued under the *Urban Rural Planning Act, 2000* or *Municipalities Act, 1999*.
- a decision to refuse a building permit under the *Municipalities Act, 1999*.
- decisions made under any other Act or Regulations where designated.

The Board considers and determines an appeal in accordance with legislation and Section 42 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*. The Board can confirm, reverse or vary council's decision and may impose conditions. The Board may direct council to carry out its decision.

Activities:

During the period from April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007, the Western Regional Appeal Board conducted the following activities:

- Number of appeals registered 13
- Number of appeals heard 4
- Number of appeals withdrawn 4
- Number of appeal hearing days 1

These appeals were heard and discussed by the Board and decisions were made on each appeal. These decisions were forwarded in writing in a timely manner to all affected parties.

Financial:

Board members are paid a per diem plus related travel expenses. Total amounts payable to Board members for 2006 2007 was \$ 2,217.