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Public Guardian and Trustee

PGT releases 2014-2015 Annual Report

Vancouver – The Public Guardian and Trustee (PGT) today released its 2014-2015 annual report. The report provides a comprehensive audited performance report and financial statements, highlights major PGT accomplishments and addresses a number of societal trends and other factors that affect the work of the PGT.

This year, the PGT met or exceeded all 21 of its performance targets. The PGT also moved forward with its plan to transform its service delivery processes to more effectively respond to client needs and expectations.

“As we move into the future, PGT staff strive to add value to the lives of the clients we serve,” said Catherine Romanko, Public Guardian and Trustee. “I am confident that our transformation efforts will allow the PGT more flexibility in being able to provide the best support and services possible for PGT clients.”

The PGT also focused on implementing legislative changes which impacted the role of the organization and the interests of its clients. This year the PGT implemented new adult guardianship provisions which increased protections for adults being assessed for mental incapability and the possible need for appointment of the PGT as property guardian.

About the Public Guardian and Trustee

The Public Guardian and Trustee (PGT) is a corporation sole established under the *Public Guardian and Trustee Act* with a unique statutory role to protect the interests of British Columbians who lack legal capacity to protect their own interests. The mandate of the PGT is to:

- Protect the legal and financial interests of children under the age of 19 years;
- Protect the legal, financial, personal and health care interests of adults who require assistance in decision making; and
- Administer the estates of deceased and missing persons.

The PGT served approximately 27,700 clients and administers almost \$877 million of client trust assets. For more information see the PGT website at www.trustee.bc.ca. The 2014-2015 annual report is available by clicking [here](#).

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