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June 21, 2012

The Honourable Marilyn More
Minister of Labour and Advanced Education

Minister More:

I am contacting you on behalf of the UNSM regarding the one-year notice letter we received from Minister MacDonell on April 24, 2012.

The letter references potential financial impacts to municipalities as a result of recommendations made by the Provincial Auditor General regarding fire services. The letter also indicated that the financial impacts to municipalities are unknown at this point in time.

In order for municipalities to prepare accurate budgets, they require at least rough estimates of what these impacts will be.

When your department determines the extent of these financial impacts, I respectfully request that a follow-up one-year notice letter be sent to the UNSM to enable municipalities to plan for these incurred costs.

I do want to thank the Fire Marshal's Office for having UNSM and AMA representation on the Fire Inspection Working Group and I look forward to their presentation at the UNSM Fall Conference in September.

Regards,

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UNSM President

cc: UNSM Board of Directors
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