OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Auditor General, who is an Officer of the Assembly, conducts independent audits of government programs, the financial statements of the Province and numerous agencies of the Crown, broader public-sector organizations, and reviews under the authority of the *Auditor General Act* and various other statutes and authorities. The results of these audits and reviews provide assurance, objective information and advice to the Legislative Assembly. In doing so, the Office of the Auditor General assists the Assembly in holding the government, its administrators, and grant recipients accountable for their stewardship of public funds and for the achievement of value-for-money in the delivery of services to the public.

Additionally, under the *Government Advertising Act, 2004*, the Auditor General is required to review specified types of advertising and certain printed matter proposed by government offices to determine whether they meet the standards required by that Act.

Under both Acts, the Auditor General reports the results of the work conducted each year directly to the Legislative Assembly.

MINISTRY PROGRAM SUMMARY

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VOTE	PROGRAM	Estimates 2009-10	Estimates 2008-09	Difference Between 2009-10 and 2008-09	Actual 2007-08
	OPERATING EXPENSE				
2501	Office of the Auditor General Program	15,821,400	15,885,300	(63,900)	13,355,686
	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED	**15,821,400**	**15,885,300**	**(63,900)**	**13,355,686**
	Statutory Appropriations	402,700	359,400	43,300	344,219
	Ministry Total Operating Expense	16,224,100	16,244,700	(20,600)	13,699,905
	Ministry Total Operating and Capital Including Consolidation and Other Adjustments (not including Assets)	**16,224,100**	**16,244,700**	**(20,600)**	**13,699,905**

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL PROGRAM - VOTE 2501

The Auditor General conducts independent value-for-money and financial statement audits under the authority of the *Auditor General Act* and various other statutes and authorities. As well, under the authority of the *Government Advertising Act, 2004*, the Auditor General is required to review government advertising and certain printed matter proposed by government offices to determine if the advertising or printed matter meet the standards required by that Act.

VOTE SUMMARY

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ITEM #	ITEM	Estimates 2009-10	Estimates 2008-09	Difference Between 2009-10 and 2008-09	Actual 2007-08
	OPERATING EXPENSE				
1	Office of the Auditor General	15,821,400	15,885,300	(63,900)	13,355,686
	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED	**15,821,400**	**15,885,300**	**(63,900)**	**13,355,686**
S	The *Auditor General Act*	402,700	359,400	43,300	344,219
	Total Statutory Appropriations	402,700	359,400	43,300	344,219
	Total Operating Expense	**16,224,100**	**16,244,700**	**(20,600)**	**13,699,905**

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL PROGRAM - VOTE 2501, cont'd

STANDARD ACCOUNTS CLASSIFICATION

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VOTE - ITEM #	STANDARD ACCOUNT BY ITEM AND SUB-ITEMS	
	OPERATING EXPENSE	
2501-1	Office of the Auditor General	
	Salaries and wages	9,755,400
	Employee benefits	2,041,200
	Transportation and communication	418,800
	Services	3,178,500
	Supplies and equipment	377,500
	Transfer payments	
	CCAF-FCVI Inc	50,000
	Total Operating Expense to be Voted	**15,821,400**
	Statutory Appropriations	
S	The *Auditor General Act*	402,700
	Total Operating Expense for Office of the Auditor General Program	**16,224,100**