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New Auditor General of British Columbia Appointed

VICTORIA – Carol Bellringer was appointed British Columbia’s new Auditor General yesterday by an all-party special committee of the Legislative Assembly.

Carol succeeds Russ Jones who has served as Acting Auditor General since March 2013. Jones will continue as acting Auditor General until September 15th and will ensure a smooth transition in his role as the Deputy Auditor General.

“I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting with numerous members of the Legislative Assembly and government officials during my term to enhance the working relationship between this office and theirs,” said Jones. “I look forward to welcoming Carol on September 15 as the new Auditor General to carry on this Office’s tradition of excellence and providing public value.”

Prior to this appointment, Carol Bellringer, FCA, MBA, was Auditor General for the Province of Manitoba from 2006 to 2014. She acquired her designation as a Chartered Accountant in 1982 and was recognized by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Manitoba with her Fellow of the Chartered Accountants (FCA) for her service to the profession and the community.

Bellringer began her career with KPMG (formerly Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co) in Montreal and was Provincial Auditor of Manitoba prior to moving to Warsaw, Poland in 1996. While living in Warsaw, Carol was Senior Advisor to the Finance Department at Era GSM, one of Poland’s largest cell phone providers. Upon her return to Canada, she worked at the University of Manitoba as the Director of Private Funding during the University’s \$200 million Capital Campaign.

She has been involved in many business and arts organizations including the Audit Committee of CancerCare Manitoba and Chair of the Finance Committee as well as a member of the Board for Manitoba Hydro, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Manitoba and the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra.

The Auditor General leads a staff of 115 professionals and is appointed for an eight-year term. The Auditor General is the Legislative Assembly’s independent auditor and conducts financial and performance audits in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles and assurance standards. The Auditor General audits the provincial government reporting entity, which consists of ministries, Crown corporations and other government organizations such as school districts, universities, colleges and health authorities. The Auditor General reports to the Legislative Assembly on all matters and appears regularly before the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.



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of British Columbia

About the Office of the Auditor General of BC

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