

June 13, 2023

Jim Mehan, President
New Brunswick Economic and Social Inclusion Corporation
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RE: NBESIC Mandate Letter

Dear Mr. Mehan,

In our roles, we are entrusted to provide the province with the absolute best service possible. It is a privilege that we each share, and it is at the core of what we do and why we are here.

This letter provides an updated overview of your responsibilities for the year ahead, and I look forward to all that we can accomplish together with our shared vision and purpose.

As a Crown body under the *Accountability and Continuous Improvement Act*, I expect that you and your board will apply sound governance principles guided by effective strategy that delivers on your mandate.

As government, we are dedicated to ensuring the needs of residents are put first. Guiding us in our work is a collective focus on our overall priorities, including:

- energized private sector.
- vibrant and sustainable communities.
- affordable, responsive, and high-performing organization.
- dependable public health care.
- world-class education; and,
- environment.

Through your leadership as President, I expect the Board to deliver upon the priority areas outlined below:

Priority Area	Expected Result / Outcome	Timeline
Community Transportation	Work with government, regional service commissions and community partners to develop and implement regional transportation plans to increase accessibility, affordability, and availability of transportation services.	March 31, 2024

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School Food Program	Work with EECD to develop a permanent province-wide school food program to increase the % of schools with a program.	March 31, 2024
ESIC Legislation	Work with the Department of Social Development to review the <i>Economic and Social Inclusion Act</i> .	Spring 2024
2023-2024 Business Plan	2023-2024 Business Plan presented to the Minister no later than March 15th, 2023, for approval and signature. Ensure that it is compliant with the statutory obligations in the <i>Accountability and Continuous Improvement Act</i> and is published on ESIC's website.	Presented to the Minister by March 15, 2023 To be published on ESIC's website by June 30, 2023
2022-2023 Annual Report	2022-2023 Annual Report – including an update on the status of Auditor General recommendations provided to the corporation in the past 5 years – presented to the Minister for approval, and then filing it at the Legislative Assembly by September 30, 2023. Ensure that it is compliant with the statutory obligations in the <i>Accountability and Continuous Improvement Act</i> and is filed with the Clerk of the Legislature within 30 days of the Minister's signature	Filed at the Legislative Assembly by September 30, 2023.

I have every confidence that we have a team that is prepared to lead with fairness, focus and to make tough and balanced decisions to keep our province moving forward. It is an honour to serve the people of New Brunswick.