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Via Email: MAH.minister@gov.bc.ca

Honourable Selina Robinson
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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Victoria BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Robinson:

Re: Eligibility for Review by the Auditor General for Local Government

I am writing in response to your letter dated January 17, 2020 both to thank you for your offer to work with Ministry staff and to provide some clarification on our request. Indeed, it is our wish to be included in the Auditor General for Local Government's scope of work so that we can be eligible for 'value for money' audits rather than financial audits.

We currently conduct financial audits annually using external auditors and are satisfied with that approach. Nevertheless, application of the *Auditor General for Local Government Act* to Islands Trust would allow for a performance-based audit whether on a themed or organizational basis.

We will continue to liaise with Ministry staff and hope this clarification will assist you and your staff in working with us towards this legislative change.

Many thanks for your continued support of the Islands Trust.

Sincerely,

Peter Luckham
Chair, Islands Trust Council

cc:

Tara Faganello, ADM, Local Government Division
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