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regarding the

Scientific and Analytical (S&A)
Group Bargaining Unit

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*** Asterisks denote consequential renumbering.**

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Asterisks denote changes from the previous Collective Agreement.

**PART A
GENERAL**

**ARTICLE A1
PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT**

A1.01 The purpose of this Agreement is to maintain harmonious and mutually beneficial relationships between the Employer, the employees and the Institute, to set forth certain terms and conditions of employment relating to remuneration, hours of work, employee benefits and general working conditions affecting employees covered by this Agreement.

A1.02 The parties to this Agreement share a desire to improve the quality of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, to maintain professional standards and to promote the well-being and increased efficiency of its employees to the end that the people of Canada will be well and effectively served. Accordingly, the parties are determined to establish within the framework provided by law, an effective working relationship at all levels of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency in which members of the bargaining units are employed.

****ARTICLE A2
RECOGNITION**

**** A2.01** The Employer recognizes the Institute as the exclusive Bargaining Agent for all employees described in the certificate issued by the Public Service Staff Relations Board on October 27, 1997 and subsequently amended by said Board on April 20, 1999, December 22, 1999, and June 26, 2017 covering employees of the Scientific & Analytical (S&A) Bargaining Unit.

A2.02 The Employer recognizes that it is a proper function and a right of the Institute to bargain with a view to arriving at a Collective Agreement and the Employer and the Institute agree to bargain in good faith, in accordance with the provisions of the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*.

****ARTICLE A3
APPLICATION**

A3.01 The provisions of this Agreement apply to the Institute, employees and the Employer.

**** A3.02** In this Agreement, expressions referring to employee or the masculine or feminine gender are meant for all employees, regardless of gender.

**ARTICLE A4
OFFICIAL TEXTS**

A4.01 Both the English and French texts of this Agreement shall be official.

**ARTICLE A5
MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

A5.01 All the functions, rights, powers and authority which the Employer has not specifically abridged, delegated or modified by this Agreement are recognized by the Institute as being retained by the Employer.

**ARTICLE A6
RIGHTS OF EMPLOYEES**

A6.01 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as an abridgement or restriction of an employee's constitutional rights or of any right expressly conferred in an Act of the Parliament of Canada.

A6.02 Employees shall have the right to express themselves on science and their research, while respecting the Values and Ethics Code for the Public Sector adopted on April 2, 2012 without being designated as an official media spokesperson.

****ARTICLE A7
INTERPRETATION AND DEFINITIONS**

**** A7.01** For the purpose of this Agreement:

- (a) "bargaining unit" means the employees of the Employer in one of the groups described in Article A2 – Recognition; (unité de négociation)
- **** (b) "common-law partner" refers to a person cohabiting in a conjugal relationship with an employee for a continuous period of at least one (1) year; (conjoint de fait)
- **** (c) "compensatory leave" means leave with pay in lieu of payment for overtime, travelling time compensated at an overtime rate, call-back, standby, and reporting pay; (congé compensatoire)
- **** (d) "continuous employment" has the same meaning as specified in the Directive on Terms and Conditions of Employment on the date of signing of this agreement; (emploi continu)
- (e) "daily rate of pay" means an employee's weekly rate of pay divided by five (5); (taux de rémunération journalier)
- (f) "day of rest" in relation to an employee means a day, other than a designated paid holiday, on which that employee is not ordinarily required

to perform the duties of his position other than by reason of his being on leave; (jour de repos)

- (g) “designated paid holiday” means the twenty-four (24) hour period commencing at 00:01 hour of a day designated as a holiday in this Agreement;
(jour férié désigné payé)
- (h) “double time” means two (2) times the employee’s hourly rate of pay;
(tarif double)
- (i) “employee” means a person so defined by the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act* and who is a member of the bargaining unit;
(employé)
- ** (j) “Employer” means His Majesty in right of Canada as represented by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, and includes any person authorized to exercise the authority of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency;
(Employeur)
- (k) “headquarters area” has the same meaning as given to the expression in the Travel Directive; (région du lieu d’affectation)
- (l) “hourly rate of pay” means a full-time employee’s weekly rate of pay divided by thirty-seven decimal five (37.5); (taux de rémunération horaire)
- (m) “Institute” means the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada; (Institut)
- (n) “lay-off” means the termination of an employee’s employment because of lack of work or because of the discontinuance of a function; (mise en disponibilité)
- (o) “leave” means authorized absence from duty; (congé)
- (p) “membership dues” means the dues established pursuant to the by-laws and regulations of the Institute as the dues payable by its members as a consequence of their membership in the Institute, and shall not include any initiation fee, insurance premium, or special levy; (cotisations syndicales)
- (q) “overtime” means work required by the Employer, to be performed by the employee in excess of such employee’s daily hours of work;
(heures supplémentaires)
- (r) “spouse” will, when required, be interpreted to include “common-law partner” except, for the purposes of the Foreign Service Directives, the definition of “spouse” will remain as specified in Directive 2 of the Foreign Service Directives; (époux)
- (s) “time and one-half” means one decimal five (1.5) times the employee’s hourly rate of pay; (tarif et demi)

and

- (t) “weekly rate of pay” means an employee’s annual rate of pay divided by fifty-two decimal one seven six (52.176). (taux de rémunération hebdomadaire)

A7.02 Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, expressions used in this Agreement,

- (a) if defined in the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*, have the same meaning as given to them in the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*,

and

- (b) if defined in the *Interpretation Act*, but not defined in the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*, have the same meaning as given to them in the *Interpretation Act*.

**** ARTICLE A8 PUBLICATIONS AND AUTHORSHIP**

**** A8.01** For the purpose of this Article: “Publication” shall include, for example, scientific and professional papers, articles, manuscripts, monographs, audio and visual products, data sets, and computer software.

A8.02 The Employer agrees to continue the present practice of ensuring that employees have ready access to all publications considered necessary to their work by the Employer.

A8.03 The Employer agrees that publications prepared by an employee, within the scope of his employment, will be retained on appropriate Agency files for the normal life of such files. The Employer will not unreasonably withhold permission for publication. At the Employer’s discretion, recognition of authorship will be given where practicable in Agency publications.

A8.04 When an employee acts as a sole or joint author or editor of a publication, the authorship or editorship shall normally be acknowledged on such publication.

- A8.05** (a) The Employer may suggest revisions to a publication and may withhold approval to publish.
- (b) When approval for publication is withheld, the author(s) shall be so informed in writing of the reason(s), if requested by the employee.
- (c) Where the Employer wishes to make changes in a publication with which the author does not agree, the employee shall not be credited publicly if the employee so requests.

**PART B
WORKING CONDITIONS**

****ARTICLE B1
HOURS OF WORK**

This Article does not apply to the following:

- SE Group employees on flexible work year refer to Article B3, Special Hours of Work Provision, SE Group

B1.01 General

For the purpose of this Article, a week shall consist of seven (7) consecutive days beginning at 00:01 hours Monday and ending at 24:00 hours Sunday. The day is a twenty-four (24) hour period commencing at 00:01 hours.

B1.02 Normal Work Week

The scheduled work week shall be thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours and the scheduled work day shall be seven decimal five (7.5) consecutive hours, exclusive of a meal period, between the hours of 06:00 and 18:00. The normal work week shall be Monday to Friday inclusive.

B1.03 Flexible Hours

Upon the request of an employee and the concurrence of the Employer, an employee may work flexible hours on a daily basis so long as the daily hours amount to seven decimal five (7.5).

B1.04 Days of Rest

An employee shall be granted two (2) consecutive days of rest during each seven (7) day period unless operational requirements do not so permit.

B1.05 Monthly Attendance Registers

Employees will submit monthly attendance registers; only those hours of overtime and absences need be specified.

**** B1.06 Compressed Work Week**

****** Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article, upon request of an employee and the concurrence of the Employer, an employee may complete their weekly hours of employment in a period of other than five (5) full days provided that over a period of twenty-one (21) or a period of twenty-eight (28) calendar days the employee works an average of thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours per week. As part of the provisions of this clause, attendance reporting shall be mutually agreed between the employee and the Employer. In every twenty-one (21) day period or in every twenty-eight (28) day period such an employee shall be granted days of rest on such days as are not scheduled as a normal work day for such employee.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the implementation of any variation in hours shall not result in any additional overtime work or additional payment by reason only of such variation, nor shall it be deemed to prohibit the right of the Employer to schedule any hours of work permitted by the terms of this Agreement.

B1.07 When operational requirements permit, two (2) rest periods of fifteen (15) minutes each shall be provided during each normal work day.

****ARTICLE B2
SHIFT WORK**

- B2.01**
- (a) "Shift Schedule" means the arrangement of shifts over a given period of time not exceeding two (2) consecutive months and includes days of rest and designated paid holidays;
 - (b) for employees engaged in shift work, the hours of work shall average thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours per week and seven decimal five (7.5) consecutive hours per day over the period of the shift schedule;
 - (c) an employee shall be granted an average of two (2) consecutive days of rest per week over the period of a shift schedule.

B2.02 For the purpose of this Agreement when an employee's shift does not commence and end on the same day, such shift shall be deemed for all purposes to have been entirely worked;

- (a) on the day it commenced where half ($\frac{1}{2}$) or more of the hours worked fall on that day;
- or
- (b) on the day it terminates where more than half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the hours worked fall on that day.

Accordingly, the first day of rest will be considered to start immediately after midnight of the calendar day on which the employee worked or is considered to have worked his last scheduled shift; and the second day of rest will start immediately after midnight of the employee's first day of rest, or immediately after midnight of an intervening designated paid holiday if days of rest are separated thereby.

B2.03 In the scheduling of shift work the Employer shall arrange shifts so that:

- (a) employees shall rotate through the various shifts in such a manner that the requirements of working night shifts, evening shifts and weekends will be shared on an equitable basis among readily available qualified employees, to the extent that operational requirements will permit, by all employees covered by the shift schedules;
- (b) an employee's shift shall not be scheduled to commence within fifteen (15)

hours of the completion of the employee's previous shift.

- B2.04** (a) every reasonable effort shall be made by the Employer to consider the wishes of the employee concerned in the arrangement of shifts within a shift schedule. In order to help in the consideration of the wishes of the employees concerned, a provisional shift schedule shall be prepared by the Employer and shall be posted at least twenty-eight (28) calendar days in advance. A final shift schedule shall be posted seven (7) calendar days prior to the commencement of the schedule.
- (b) notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the implementation of any variation in hours under this Article shall not result in any additional overtime work or additional payment by reason only of such variation, nor shall it be deemed to prohibit the right of the Employer to schedule any hours of work permitted by the terms of this Agreement.

B2.05 Provided sufficient advance notice is given and with the approval of the Employer, employees may exchange shifts if there is no increase in cost to the Employer.

- B2.06** (a) An employee who is required to change his scheduled shift without receiving at least forty-eight (48) hours' notice in advance of the starting time of such change in their scheduled shift shall be paid for the first shift worked on the revised schedule at the rate of time decimal five (1.5). Subsequent shifts worked on the revised schedule shall be paid for at the hourly rate of pay.
- (b) Notwithstanding B2.06 (a) when an employee requests and the Employer agrees to change the employee shift schedule, the employee shall be paid at the straight-time hourly rate of pay for the work performed on the first shift of the revised shift schedule.

B2.07 A specified meal period shall be scheduled as close to the mid-point of the shift as possible. However, the meal period may be staggered for employees on continuous operations.

B2.08 Certain continuous operations may require some employees being on the job for the full shift. In these operations, such employees will be paid for the one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) hour meal period, worked, at the applicable rate, if they are unable to leave the work place for a meal break.

B2.09 Employee will submit monthly attendance registers; only hours of overtime and absences need to be specified.

**** B2.10 Shift Premium**

****** An employee shall receive a shift premium of two dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25) per hour for all regularly scheduled hours worked, on regularly scheduled shifts in which at least half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the hours are scheduled between 18:00 and 06:00 hours.

**** B2.11 Weekend Premium**

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- (a) Employees shall receive an additional premium of two dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25) per hour for work on Saturday and/or Sunday for hours worked as stipulated in sub-clause B2.11 (b).
 - (b) Weekend premium shall be payable in respect of all regularly scheduled hours at straight-time hourly rates worked on Saturday and/or Sunday.

**ARTICLE B3
SPECIAL HOURS OF WORK PROVISIONS – SE GROUP**

This Article does not apply to an SE Group employee covered by Article B1 – Hours of Work.

- B3.01**
- (a) The conduct of scientific research requires an adaptable research environment. Accordingly, every reasonable effort will be made to maintain a research environment where working hours can be arranged to meet the needs of research programs.
 - (b) The normal work year, subject to the leave provisions of this Agreement, shall be nineteen hundred and fifty (1950) hours. The normal work year shall be from April 1st to March 31st of the following calendar year, inclusive. Subject to the approval of the Employer, the hours of work shall be arranged to suit an employee's individual research project(s).

B3.02 Employees will submit monthly attendance registers; only absences need be specified.

****ARTICLE B4
OVERTIME**

This Article does not apply to the following:

- SE Group employees on flexible work year; refer to Article B3 – Special Hours of Work Provisions – SE Group
- *** - SE Group employees performing Field Research Work, refer to Article B10 – Field Research Allowance

B4.01 When an employee is required by the Employer to work overtime they shall be compensated as follows:

- (a) on the employee's normal work day, at the rate of time and one-half (1½) for the first seven decimal five (7.5) overtime hours worked, and double (2) time thereafter;
- (b) on the employee's first day of rest, at time decimal five (1.5) for the first seven decimal five (7.5) overtime hours worked and double (2) time thereafter;
- (c) (i) on the employee's second or subsequent day of rest, at double (2)

time for each hour of overtime worked. Second or subsequent day of rest means the second or subsequent day in an unbroken series of consecutive and contiguous calendar days of rest;

- (ii) notwithstanding clause (c) (i) above, if, in an unbroken series of consecutive and contiguous calendar days of rest, the Employer permits the employee to work the required overtime on a day of rest requested by the employee, then the compensation shall be at time decimal five (1.5) for the first day worked;
- (d) (i) on a designated holiday, compensation shall be granted on the basis of time decimal five (1.5) for the first seven decimal five (7.5) hours worked, and double time (2) thereafter, in addition to the compensation that such employee would have been granted had such employee not worked on the designated holiday;

or

- (ii) when an employee works on a holiday, contiguous to a second day of rest on which such employee also worked and received overtime in accordance with clause B4.01 (c) (d) such employee shall be paid in addition to the pay that such employee would have been granted had such employee not worked on the holiday, two (2) times such employee's hourly rate of pay for all time worked.

B4.02 All calculations for overtime shall be based on each completed period of fifteen (15) minutes.

B4.03 Except in cases of emergency, call-back, standby or mutual agreement the Employer shall whenever possible give at least twelve (12) hours' notice of any requirement for the performance of overtime.

B4.04 When a payment is being made as a result of the application of this Article, the Employer will endeavour to make such payment within six (6) weeks following the end of the pay period for which the employee requests payment.

**** B4.05** (a) An employee who works three (3) or more hours of overtime immediately before or immediately following such employee's scheduled hours of work shall be reimbursed for one (1) meal in the amount of twelve dollars (\$12.00), except where free meals are provided. Reasonable time with pay to be determined by the Employer shall be allowed to the employee in order to take a meal either at or adjacent to such employee's place of work.

****** (b) When an employee works overtime continuously extending four (4) hours or more beyond the period provided in (a) above, such employee shall be reimbursed for one (1) additional meal in the amount of twelve dollars (\$12.00) except where free meals are provided. Reasonable time with pay, to be determined by the Employer, shall be allowed the employee in order that such employee may take a meal break either at or adjacent to such employee's place of work.

****** (c) Clause B4.05 (a) and (b) shall not apply to an employee who is in travel

status which entitles the employee to claim expenses for lodging and/or meals or to an employee who has obtained authorization to work at the employee's residence or at another place to which the Employer agrees.

ARTICLE B5 CALL-BACK

This Article does not apply to the following:

- SE Group employees on flexible work year; refer to Article B3 – Special Hours of Work Provisions – SE Group
- * - SE Group employees performing Field Research Work, refer to Article B10 – Field Research Allowance

B5.01 (a) When an employee is called back to work or when an employee who is on standby duty is called back to work by the Employer any time outside such employee's normal working hours, such employee shall be entitled to the greater of:

- (i) a minimum of three (3) hours' pay at the applicable overtime rate,
or
- (ii) compensation at the applicable overtime rate for each hour worked.

B5.02 Where an employee completes a call-back requirement without leaving the location at which the employee was contacted, the minimum of three (3) hours provided in B5.01 (a) (i) shall be replaced by a minimum of one (1) hour which shall apply only once in respect of each one (1) hour period.

B5.03 When a payment is being made as a result of the application of this Article, the Employer will endeavour to make such payment within six (6) weeks following the end of the pay period for which the employee requests payment.

* **B5.04** Other than when required by the Employer to use a vehicle of the Employer for transportation to a work location other than the employee's normal place of work, time spent by the employee reporting to work or returning to his residence shall not constitute time worked.

* **B5.05** When an employee is called back to work under the conditions described in clause B5.01 and is required to use transportation services other than normal public transportation services, the employee shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred as follows:

- (a) kilometric allowance at the rate normally paid by the Employer where the employee travels by means of his own automobile; or
- (b) out-of-pocket expenses for other means of commercial transportation.

Time spent by the employee called back to work or returning to his residence

shall not constitute time worked.

****ARTICLE B6
STANDBY**

This Article does not apply to the following:

- SE Group employees on flexible work year, refer to Article B3 – Special Hours of Work Provisions – SE Group
- * - SE Group employees performing Field Research Work, refer to Article B10 – Field Research Allowance

B6.01 When the Employer requires an employee to be available on standby during off-duty hours an employee shall be compensated at the rate of one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) hour for each four (4) hour period or portion thereof for which such employee has been designated as being on standby duty.

B6.02 An employee on standby who is called in to work by the Employer and who reports for work shall be compensated in accordance with Article B5 – Call-Back.

- ** B6.03**
- (a) An employee required to be on standby duty shall be available during his period of standby at a known telephone number or any other agreed method of communication and be able to return for duty as quickly as possible if contacted. The Employer will normally supply an electronic communications device or cellular telephone to an employee designated for standby duty.
 - (b) Where an employee who is supplied by the Employer with an electronic communications device or cellular telephone is not required to be available to respond to contacts, the employee is not deemed to be on standby duty.

B6.04 No standby duty payment shall be granted if any employee is unable to report for duty when required.

B6.05 Other than when required by the Employer to use a vehicle of the Employer for transportation to a work location other than an employee's normal place of work, time spent by the employee reporting to work or returning to his residence shall not constitute time worked.

****ARTICLE B7
REPORTING PAY**

- ** B7.01**
- (a) When an employee is required to report and reports to work on the employee's day of rest, the employee is entitled to a minimum of three (3) hours' compensation at the applicable overtime rate of pay;
 - ** (b) The minimum payment referred to in (a) above, does not apply to part-time employees. Part-time employees will receive a minimum payment in accordance with D1.10.

**** B7.02** When an employee reports for work under the conditions described in clause B6.01, and is required to use transportation services other than normal public transportation services, the employee shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred as follows:

****** (a) kilometric allowance at the rate normally paid to an employee when authorized by the Employer to use his or her automobile when the employee travels by means of the employee's own automobile;

or

****** (b) out-of-pocket expenses for other means of commercial transportation.

****ARTICLE B8 DESIGNATED PAID HOLIDAYS**

A designated paid holiday shall account for seven decimal five (7.5) hours only.

**** B8.01** Subject to clause B8.02, the following days shall be designated paid holidays for employees:

(a) New Year's Day,

(b) Good Friday,

(c) Easter Monday,

(d) the day fixed by proclamation of the Governor in Council for celebration of the Sovereign's birthday,

(e) Canada Day,

(f) Labour Day,

****** (g) National Day for Truth and Reconciliation,

***** (h) the day fixed by proclamation of the Governor in Council as a general day of Thanksgiving,

***** (i) Remembrance Day,

***** (j) Christmas Day,

***** (k) Boxing Day,

***** (l) one additional day in each year that, in the opinion of the Employer, is recognized to be a provincial or civic holiday in the area in which the employee is employed, or in any area where, in the opinion of the Employer, no such day is recognized as a provincial or civic holiday, the first Monday in August,

and

- * (m) one additional day when proclaimed by an Act of Parliament as a National Holiday.

For greater certainty, employees who do not work on a Designated Paid Holiday are entitled to seven decimal five (7.5) hours pay at the straight-time rate.

B8.02 An employee absent without pay on both his full working day immediately preceding and his full working day immediately following a designated paid holiday, is not entitled to pay for the holiday, except in the case of an employee who is granted leave without pay under the provisions of Article C5 – Leave for Staff Relations Matters.

B8.03 Designated Paid Holiday Falling on a Day of Rest

When a day designated as a paid holiday under clause B8.01 coincides with an employee's day of rest, the holiday shall be moved to the employee's first normal working day following such employee's day of rest.

B8.04 When a day designated as a paid holiday for an employee is moved to another day under the provisions of clause B8.03:

- (a) work performed by an employee on the day from which the holiday was moved shall be considered as work performed on a day of rest,

and

- (b) work performed by an employee on the day to which the holiday was moved, shall be considered as work performed on a holiday.

B8.05 Compensation for Work on a Designated Paid Holiday

Compensation for work on a designated paid holiday will be in accordance with the overtime paragraphs B4.01 (d) (i) and (ii).

B8.06 Designated Paid Holiday Coinciding with a Day of Paid Leave

Where a day that is a designated paid holiday for an employee coincides with a day of leave with pay or is moved as a result of the application of clause B8.03, the designated paid holiday shall not count as a day of leave.

**** ARTICLE B9
TRAVELLING TIME**

**** B9.01** When the Employer requires an employee to travel outside such employee's headquarters area for the purpose of performing duties, the employee shall be compensated in the following manner:

- (a) On a normal working day on which such employee travels but does not work, the employee shall receive his regular pay for the day.

(b) On a normal working day on which such employee travels and works, the employee shall be paid:

(i) his regular pay for the day for a combined period of travel and work not exceeding seven decimal five (7.5) hours,

and

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(ii) at the applicable overtime rate for additional travel time in excess of a seven decimal five (7.5) hour period of work and travel, with a maximum payment for such additional travel time not to exceed fifteen (15) hours pay at the straight-time rate.

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(c) On a day of rest or on a designated paid holiday, the employee shall be paid at the applicable overtime rate for hours travelled to a maximum of fifteen (15) hours pay at the straight-time rate.

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B9.02 For the purpose of clause B9.01, the travelling time for which an employee shall be compensated is as follows:

(a) For travel by public transportation, the time between the scheduled time of departure and the time of arrival at a destination, including the normal travel time to the point of departure, as determined by the Employer.

(b) For travel by private means of transportation, the normal time as determined by the Employer, to proceed from the employee's place of residence or work place, as applicable, direct to such employee's destination and, upon such employee's return, direct back to such employee's residence or work place.

(c) In the event that an alternate time of departure and/or means of travel is requested by the employee, the Employer may authorize such alternate arrangements in which case compensation for travelling time shall not exceed that which would have been payable under the Employer's original determination.

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B9.03 All calculations for travelling time shall be based on each completed period of fifteen (15) minutes.

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B9.04 When a payment is being made as a result of the application of this Article, the Employer will endeavour to make such payment within six (6) weeks following the end of the pay period for which the employee requests payment.

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B9.05 This Article does not apply to an employee required to perform work in any type of transport in which such employee is travelling. In such circumstances, the employee shall receive pay for actual hours worked in accordance with the Articles B1 – Hours of Work, B4 – Overtime, and B8 – Designated Paid Holidays.

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B9.06 Travelling time shall include time necessarily spent at each stop-over en route provided that such stop-over does not include an overnight stay.

* **B9.07** Compensation under this Article shall not be paid for travel time to courses, training sessions, conferences and seminars unless the employee is required to attend by the Employer.

** **B9.08** **Travel Status Leave**

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- (a) An employee who is required to travel outside his headquarters area on government business, as these expressions are defined by the Employer, and is away from his permanent residence for twenty (20) nights during a fiscal year shall be granted seven decimal five (7.5) hours off with pay. The employee shall be credited with an additional seven decimal five (7.5) hours off for each additional twenty (20) nights that the employee is away from his permanent residence to a maximum of eighty (80) additional nights.
 - (b) The maximum number of hours off earned under this clause shall not exceed thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours in a fiscal year and shall accumulate as compensatory leave with pay.
 - (c) This leave with pay is deemed to be compensatory leave and is subject to Article B29 (Compensatory Leave with Pay).
 - (d) The provisions of this clause do not apply when the employee travels in connection with courses, training sessions, professional conferences and seminars.

** **ARTICLE B10**
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ALLOWANCES

Field Research Allowance – SE group

This Article applies to the SE group only.

- ** **B10.01** An employee who meets the conditions set forth below shall be paid a field research allowance of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for each fifteen (15) calendar day period, provided that:
- (a) the employee completes a minimum of fifteen (15) calendar days on field research work in a consecutive three hundred and sixty-five (365) day period;
 - (b) the minimum number of days referred to in (a) is made up of periods of not less than two (2) consecutive calendar days.
- * **B10.02** Once the conditions of B10.01 (a) and (b) are met, an employee shall be paid on a pro rata basis for periods of field research work of less than fifteen (15) calendar days.
- * **B10.03** An employee on field research work shall be compensated for authorized overtime performed on an hour-for-hour basis for all hours worked on a

designated paid holiday or a day of rest. No remuneration shall be paid for overtime performed during the normal work week.

Sea Research Allowance

This Article applies to the Scientific Research Group only.

- ** B10.04** An employee who meets the conditions set forth below shall be paid a sea research allowance of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for each fifteen (15) calendar day period, provided that:
 - (a) such employee completes a minimum of fifteen (15) calendar days on sea research work in a consecutive three hundred and sixty-five (365) day period;
 - (b) the minimum number of days referred to in (a) is made up of periods of not less than two (2) consecutive calendar days.
- * B10.05** Once the conditions of B10.04 (a) and (b) are met, an employee shall be paid on a pro rata basis for periods of sea research work of less than fifteen (15) calendar days.
- * B10.06** An employee on sea research work shall be compensated for authorized overtime performed on an hour-for-hour basis for all hours worked on a designated paid holiday or a day of rest. No remuneration shall be paid for overtime performed during the normal work week.

Upon application by the employee and at the discretion of the Employer compensation earned under this clause may be taken in the form of compensatory leave at the applicable rate. Compensatory leave earned in a fiscal year and outstanding on September 30th of the following fiscal year shall be paid at the employee's rate of pay on September 30th.

**** Diving Allowance**

This Article applies to the SR and SE Groups only.

- ** B10.07** Employees whose job duties require them to dive (as that word is hereinafter defined) shall be paid an extra allowance of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) per hour. The minimum allowance shall be two (2) hours per dive.
- * B10.08** A dive is the total of any period or periods of time during any eight (8) hour period in which an employee carries out required underwater work with the aid of a self-contained air supply.

**** ARTICLE B11 LEAVE - GENERAL**

- * B11.01** In respect to applications for all leave made pursuant to this Collective Agreement, the employee may be required to provide satisfactory validation of the circumstances necessitating such request.

- * **B11.02** When the employment of an employee who has been granted more vacation or sick leave with pay than such employee has earned is terminated by death or layoff, the employee is considered to have earned the amount of leave with pay granted to him.
- * **B11.03** An employee is entitled to have access to information regarding the balance of his vacation or sick leave with pay credits.
- * **B11.04** The amount of leave with pay credited to an employee by the Employer at the time when this Agreement is signed, or at the time when such employee becomes subject to this Agreement, shall be retained by the employee.
- * **B11.05** An employee shall not be granted two (2) different types of leave with pay in respect of the same period of time.
- * **B11.06** An employee is not entitled to leave with pay during periods such employee is on leave without pay, on educational leave or under suspension.
- * **B11.07** Except as otherwise specified in this Agreement:
 - (a) where leave without pay for a period in excess of three (3) months is granted to an employee for reasons other than illness, the total period of leave granted shall be deducted from "continuous employment" for the purpose of calculating severance pay and "service" for the purpose of calculating vacation leave;
 - (b) time spent on such leave which is for a period of more than three (3) months shall not be counted for pay increment purposes.
- * **B11.08** Leave credits will be earned on a basis of a day being equal to seven decimal five (7.5) hours.
- * **B11.09** When leave is granted, it will be granted on an hourly basis and the hours debited for each day of leave shall be the same as the hours the employee would normally have been scheduled to work on that day, except for Bereavement Leave With Pay where a day is a calendar day.
- ** **B11.10** An employee shall not earn or be granted leave credits under this Agreement in any month nor in any fiscal year for which leave has already been credited or granted to him or her under the terms of any other collective agreement or under other rules or regulations applicable to organizations within the federal public administration, as specified in Schedule I, Schedule IV or Schedule V of the Financial Administration Act.

**** ARTICLE B12
VACATION LEAVE**

- * **B12.01** The vacation year shall be from April 1st to March 31st, inclusive.
- ** **B12.02** **Accumulation of Vacation Leave Credits**
An employee shall earn vacation leave credits for each calendar month during

which such employee receives pay for at least seventy-five (75) hours at the following rate:

(a) Applies to the following groups: AG, BI, CH, CO, EN, ES, PG, SE-RES-01, SE-RES-02, SE-REM-01 and SR.

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(i) nine decimal three seven five (9.375) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate until the month in which the employee's seventh (7th) anniversary of service occurs;

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(ii) twelve decimal five (12.5) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing the month in which the employee's seventh (7th) anniversary of service occurs;

(iii) thirteen decimal seven five (13.75) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the employee's sixteenth (16th) anniversary of service occurs;

(iv) fourteen decimal three seven five (14.375) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the anniversary of the employee's seventeenth (17th) year of service occurs;

(v) fifteen decimal six two five (15.625) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the anniversary of the employee's eighteenth (18th) year of service occurs;

(vi) sixteen decimal eight seven five (16.875) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the employee's twenty-seventh (27th) anniversary of service occurs;

(vii) eighteen decimal seven five (18.75) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the anniversary of the employee's twenty-eighth (28th) anniversary of service occurs.

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(b) Applies to the following: SE-RES-03, SE-RES-04, SE-RES-05 and SE-REM-02.

(i) Reserve;

(ii) twelve decimal five (12.5) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate until the month in which the employee's sixteenth (16th) anniversary of service occurs;

(iii) thirteen decimal seven five (13.75) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the employee's sixteenth (16th) anniversary of service occurs;

- (iv) fourteen decimal three seven five (14.375) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the anniversary of the employee's seventeenth (17th) year of service occurs;
- (v) fifteen decimal six two five (15.625) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the anniversary of the employee's eighteenth (18th) year of service occurs;
- (vi) sixteen decimal eight seven five (16.875) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the employee's twenty-seventh (27th) anniversary of service occurs;
- (vii) eighteen decimal seven five (18.75) hours at the employee's straight-time hourly rate commencing with the month in which the employee's twenty-eighth (28th) anniversary of service occurs.

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- ** B12.03** (a) For the purpose of this clause and B12.17 only, all service within the public service and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, whether continuous or discontinuous, shall count toward vacation leave except where a person who, on leaving the public service or the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, takes or has taken severance pay. However, the above exception shall not apply to an employee who receives severance pay on lay-off and is reappointed to the Canadian Food Inspection Agency within one (1) year following the date of lay-off, or when an employee receives a severance payment under Article B32.05 to B32.08, or similar provisions in other collective agreements, and has not yet left the Canadian Food Inspection Agency or the public service.
- (b) For the purpose of clause B12.03 (a) only, effective April 1, 2012 and forward from that date, any former service in the Canadian Forces for a continuous period of six (6) months or more, either as a member of the Regular Forces or of the Reserve Force while on Class B or C service, shall also be included in the calculation of vacation leave credits.

*** B12.04 Entitlement to Vacation Leave With Pay**

An employee is entitled to vacation leave with pay to the extent of such employee's earned credits but an employee who has completed six (6) months of continuous employment may receive an advance of credits equivalent to the anticipated credits for the current vacation year.

**** B12.05 Provision for Vacation Leave**

- **** (a) Employees are expected to use all of their vacation leave during the vacation year in which it is earned.
- *** (b) In order to maintain operational requirements, the Employer reserves the right to

schedule an employee's vacation leave but shall make every reasonable effort:

- * (i) to provide an employee's vacation leave in an amount and at such time as the employee may request;
- * (ii) not to recall an employee to duty after such employee has proceeded on vacation leave.

**** B12.06 Replacement of Vacation Leave**

Where, in respect of any period of vacation leave, an employee:

- (a) is granted bereavement leave,
- ** (b) is granted leave with pay because of illness in the immediate family,
or
- * (c) is granted sick leave on production of a medical certificate,

the period of vacation leave so displaced shall either be added to the vacation period, if requested by the employee, and approved by the Employer, or reinstated for use at a later date.

*** B12.07 (a) Carry-Over**

Where in any vacation year an employee has not been granted all the vacation leave credited to them, the unused portion of such employee's vacation leave shall be carried over.

(b) Liquidation

During any vacation year, upon application by the employee and at the discretion of the Employer earned but unused vacation leave credits shall be compensated at the employee's daily rate of pay calculated from the classification prescribed in such employee's certificate of appointment of such employee's substantive position on March 31st.

*** B12.08 Recall from Vacation Leave**

Where, during any period of vacation leave, an employee is recalled to duty, such employee shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses, as normally defined by the Employer, that such employee incurs:

- (a) in proceeding to the employee's place of duty,
and
- (b) in returning to the place from which the employee was recalled if the employee immediately resumes vacation upon completing the assignment for which the employee was recalled, after submitting such accounts as are normally required by the Employer.

* **B12.09** The employee shall not be considered as being on vacation leave during any period in respect of which such employee is entitled under clause B12.08 to be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred by such employee.

* **B12.10 Cancellation of Vacation Leave**

When the Employer cancels or alters a period of vacation leave which it has previously approved in writing, the Employer shall reimburse the employee for the non-returnable portion of vacation contracts and reservations made by the employee in respect of that period, subject to the presentation of such documentation as the Employer may require. The employee must make every reasonable attempt to mitigate any losses incurred and will provide proof of such action, when available, to the Employer.

* **B12.11 Leave When Employment Terminates**

When an employee dies or otherwise ceases to be employed, such employee or his estate shall be paid an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the number of hours of earned but unused vacation leave with pay to such employee's credit by the hourly rate of pay as calculated from the classification prescribed in such employee's certificate of appointment on the date of the termination of such employee's employment.

* **B12.12 Vacation Leave Credits for Severance Pay**

Where the employee requests, the Employer shall grant the employee his unused vacation leave credits prior to termination of employment if this will enable the employee, for purposes of severance pay, to complete the first (1st) year of continuous employment in the case of lay-off.

* **B12.13 Abandonment of position**

Notwithstanding clause B12.11, an employee whose employment is terminated by a declaration that he abandoned his position in accordance with Section 12. (2) (d) of the *Financial Administration Act* is entitled to receive the payment referred to in clause B12.11 if he requests it within six (6) months following the date upon which his employment is terminated.

* **B12.14 Recovery on Termination**

In the event of the termination of employment for reasons other than death or lay-off the Employer shall recover from any monies owed the employee, an amount equivalent to unearned vacation leave taken by the employee, calculated on the basis of the rate of pay applicable to the employee's classification on the date of termination.

* **B12.15 Appointment to a Schedule I, IV or V Employer**

Notwithstanding clause B12.11, an employee who resigns to accept employment with an organization listed in Schedule I, IV or V of the *Financial Administration Act* may choose not to be paid for earned but unused vacation leave credits provided that the appointing organization will accept such credits.

*** B12.16 Appointment from a Schedule I, IV or V Employer**

The Employer agrees to accept unused vacation leave credits up to a maximum of two hundred and six-two decimal five (262.5) hours of an employee who resigns from an organization listed in Schedule I, IV or V of the *Financial Administration Act* in order to take a position with the Employer if the transferring employee is eligible and has chosen to have these credits transferred.

- ** B12.17**
- (a) Employees shall be credited a one-time entitlement of thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours of vacation leave with pay on the first (1st) day of the month following the employee's second (2nd) anniversary of service, as defined in clause B12.03. For clarity, employees shall be credited the leave described in B12.17(a) only once in their total period of employment in the public service.
 - (b) The vacation leave credits provided in clause B12.17 (a) above shall be excluded from the application of paragraph B12.07 (a) and (b) dealing with Carry-over and Liquidation.

***ARTICLE B13
SICK LEAVE**

*** B13.01 Credits**

An employee shall earn sick leave credits at the rate of nine decimal three seven five (9.375) hours for each calendar month for which such employee receives pay for at least seventy-five (75) hours.

- * B13.02** An employee shall be granted sick leave with pay when such employee is unable to perform his duties because of illness or injury provided that:

(a) such employee satisfies the Employer of this condition in such a manner and at such a time as may be determined by the Employer;

and

(b) such employee has the necessary sick leave credits.

- * B13.03** Unless otherwise informed by the Employer, a statement signed by the employee stating that because of illness or injury such employee was unable to perform his duties shall, when delivered to the Employer, be considered as meeting the requirements of sub-clause B13.02 (a).

- * B13.04** An employee shall not be granted sick leave with pay during any period in which such employee is on leave of absence without pay, or under suspension.

- * B13.05** When an employee is granted sick leave with pay and injury-on-duty leave is subsequently approved for the same period, it shall be considered for the purpose of the record of sick leave credits that the employee was not granted sick leave with pay.

- * B13.06** Where an employee has insufficient or no credits to cover the granting of sick

leave with pay under the provision of clause B13.02, sick leave with pay may, at the discretion of the Employer, be granted to an employee for a period of up to one hundred eighty-seven decimal five (187.5) hours, subject to the deduction of such advanced leave from any sick leave credits subsequently earned with the Employer and, in the event of termination of employment for other than death or lay-off, the recovery of the advance from any monies owed to the employee.

- * **B13.07** Sick leave credits earned but unused by an employee during a previous period of employment in the Canadian Food Inspection Agency shall be restored to an employee whose employment was terminated by reason of lay-off and who is reappointed in the Canadian Food Inspection Agency within one (1) year from the date of lay-off.

****ARTICLE B14 BEREAVEMENT LEAVE**

- ** **B14.01** For the purpose of this article, immediate family is defined as father, mother (or alternatively stepfather, stepmother or foster parent), brother, sister, spouse (including common-law partner), child (including child of common-law partner), stepchild, foster child, or ward of the employee, grandparent, grandchild, father-in-law, or mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, and any relative permanently residing in the employee's household or with whom the employee permanently resides and in addition:

- * (a) a person who stands in the place of a relative for the employee whether or not there is any degree of consanguinity between such person and the employee. An employee shall be entitled to bereavement leave under B14.01(a) only once during the employee's total period of employment in the public service.

- ** **B14.02** (a) When a member of an employee's immediate family dies, the employee:
 - (i) shall be entitled to a bereavement period of seven (7) consecutive calendar days. Such bereavement period, as determined by the employee, must include the day of the memorial commemorating the deceased, or must begin within two (2) days following the death. During such period the employee shall be paid for those days which are not regularly scheduled days of rest for that employee; in addition, the employee may be granted up to three (3) days' leave with pay for the purpose of travel related to the death.
 - (b) At the request of the employee, such bereavement leave with pay may be taken in a single period of seven (7) consecutive calendar days or may be taken in two (2) periods to a maximum of five (5) working days.
 - (c) When requested to be taken in two (2) periods,
 - (i) the first period must include the day of the memorial commemorating the deceased or must begin within two (2) days following the death, and
 - (ii) the second period must be taken no later than twelve (12) months

from the date of death for the purpose of attending a ceremony.

(iii) The employee may be granted no more than three (3) days' leave with pay, in total, for the purposes of travel for these two (2) periods.

- ** (d) An employee is entitled to up to one (1) day's bereavement leave with pay for the purpose related to the death of such employee's aunt, uncle, brother-in-law, sister-in-law and grandparents of spouse.
- ** (e) An employee is entitled to three (3) consecutive working days of bereavement leave with pay in the event of a stillbirth experienced by them or their spouse or common-law partner or where they would have been a parent of the child born as a result of the pregnancy. For greater certainty, stillbirth is defined as an unborn child on or after 20 weeks of pregnancy. The leave may be taken during the period that begins on the day on which the stillbirth occurs and ends no later than 12 weeks after the latest of the days on which any funeral, burial or memorial service in respect of the stillbirth occurs.
- ** (f) It is recognized by the parties that the circumstances which call for leave in respect of bereavement are based on individual circumstances. On request, the President may, after considering the particular circumstances involved, grant leave with pay for a period greater than that provided for in sub-clauses B14.02 (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e).
- ** (g) If, during a period of paid leave, an employee is bereaved in circumstances under which the employee would have been eligible for bereavement leave under sub-clauses B14.02 (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e), the employee shall be granted bereavement leave and the employee's paid leave credits shall be restored to the extent of any concurrent bereavement leave granted.

**** ARTICLE B15
MATERNITY LEAVE WITHOUT PAY**

*** B15.01 Maternity leave without pay**

- (a) An employee who becomes pregnant shall, upon request, be granted maternity leave without pay for a period beginning before, on or after the termination date of pregnancy and ending not later than eighteen (18) weeks after the termination date of pregnancy
- (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a):
 - (i) where the employee has not yet proceeded on maternity leave without pay and her newborn child is hospitalized,

or
 - (ii) where the employee has proceeded on maternity leave without pay and then returns to work for all or part of the period during which her

newborn child is hospitalized,

the period of maternity leave without pay defined in paragraph (a) may be extended beyond the date falling eighteen (18) weeks after the date of termination of pregnancy by a period equal to that portion of the period of the child's hospitalization during which the employee was not on maternity leave, to a maximum of eighteen (18) weeks.

- (c) The extension described in paragraph (b) shall end not later than fifty-two (52) weeks after the termination date of pregnancy.
- (d) The Employer may require an employee to submit a medical certificate certifying pregnancy.
- * (e) An employee who has not commenced maternity leave without pay may elect to:
 - (i) use earned vacation and compensatory leave credits up to and beyond the date that her pregnancy terminates;
 - * (ii) use her sick leave credits up to and beyond the date that her pregnancy terminates, subject to the provisions set out in Article B13 – Sick Leave. For purposes of this subparagraph, the terms “illness” or “injury” used in Article B13 – Sick Leave, shall include medical disability related to pregnancy.
- (f) An employee shall inform the Employer in writing of her plans for taking leave with and without pay to cover her absence from work due to the pregnancy at least four (4) weeks in advance of the initial date of continuous leave of absence during which termination of pregnancy is expected to occur unless there is a valid reason why the notice cannot be given.
- (g) Leave granted under this clause shall be counted for the calculation of “continuous employment” for the purpose of calculating severance pay and “service” for the purpose of calculating vacation leave. Time spent on such leave shall be counted for pay increment purposes.

**** B15.02 Maternity Allowance**

- (a) An employee who has been granted maternity leave without pay shall be paid a maternity allowance in accordance with the terms of the Supplemental Unemployment Benefit (SUB) Plan described in paragraph (c) to (i), providing that she:
 - (i) has completed six (6) months of continuous employment before the commencement of her maternity leave without pay,
 - (ii) provides the Employer with proof that she has applied for and is in receipt of maternity benefits under the Employment Insurance or the Québec Parental Insurance Plan in respect of insurable employment with the Employer, and

- (iii) has signed an agreement with the Employer stating that
- A. she will return to work within the federal public administration, as specified in Schedule I, Schedule IV or Schedule V of the *Financial Administration Act*, on the expiry date of her maternity leave without pay unless the return to work date is modified by the approval of another form of leave;
 - B. following her return to work, as described in section (A), she will work for a period equal to the period she was in receipt of maternity allowance;
 - C. should she fail to return to work in accordance with section (A), or should she return to work but fail to work for the total period specified in section (B), for reasons other than death, lay-off, early termination due to lack of work or discontinuance of a function of a specified period of employment that would have been sufficient to meet the obligations specified in section (B), or having become disabled as defined in the *Public Service Superannuation Act*, she will be indebted to the Employer for an amount determined as follows:

[allowance X
received]

[remaining period to be worked following return to
work]

total period to be worked as specified in (B)]

however, an employee whose specified period of employment expired and who is rehired within the federal public administration as described in section (A), within a period of ninety (90) days or less is not indebted for the amount if her new period of employment is sufficient to meet the obligations specified in section (B).

(b) For the purpose of sections (a)(iii)(B), and (C), periods of leave with pay shall count as time worked. Periods of leave without pay during the employee's return to work will not be counted as time worked but shall interrupt the period referred to in (a)(iii)(B), without activating the recovery provisions described in section (a)(iii)(C).

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(c) Maternity allowance payments made in accordance with the SUB Plan will consist of the following:

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(i) where an employee is subject to a waiting period before receiving Employment Insurance maternity benefits, ninety-three per cent (93%) of her weekly rate of pay and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance", if applicable, for the waiting period, less any other monies earned during this period,

and

(ii) for each week that the employee receives a maternity benefit under the Employment Insurance or the Quebec Parental Insurance Plan, she is eligible to receive the difference between ninety-three per cent (93%) of her weekly rate of pay and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance", if applicable, and the maternity benefit, less any other monies earned during this period which may result in a decrease in her maternity benefit to which she would have been eligible if no extra monies had been earned during this period,

and

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(iii) Where an employee has received the full fifteen (15) weeks of maternity benefit under Employment Insurance and thereafter remains on maternity leave without pay, she is eligible to receive a further maternity allowance for a period of one (1) week, ninety-three per cent (93%) of her weekly rate of pay (and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance", if applicable), less any other monies earned during this period.

(d) At the employee's request, the payment referred to in subparagraph B14.02(c)(i) will be estimated and advanced to the employee. Adjustments will be made once the employee provides proof of receipt of Employment Insurance or Quebec Parental Insurance maternity benefits.

(e) The maternity allowance to which an employee is entitled is limited to that provided in paragraph (c) and an employee will not be reimbursed for any amount that she may be required to repay pursuant to the Employment Insurance Act or the Parental Insurance Act in Quebec.

- (f) The weekly rate of pay referred to in paragraph (c) shall be:
 - (i) for a full-time employee, the employee's weekly rate of pay on the day immediately preceding the commencement of maternity leave without pay;
 - (ii) for an employee who has been employed on a part-time or on a combined full-time and part-time basis during the six (6) month period preceding the commencement of maternity leave, the rate obtained by multiplying the weekly rate of pay in subparagraph (i) by the fraction obtained by dividing the employee's straight-time earnings by the straight-time earnings the employee would have earned working full-time during such period.
- (g) The weekly rate of pay referred to in paragraph (f) shall be the rate and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance", if applicable, to which the employee is entitled for her substantive level to which she is appointed.
- (h) Notwithstanding paragraph (g), and subject to subparagraph (f)(ii), if on the day immediately preceding the commencement of maternity leave without pay an employee has been on an acting assignment for at least four (4) months, the weekly rate shall be the rate and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance", if applicable, she was being paid on that day.
- (i) Where an employee becomes eligible for a pay increment or pay revision while in receipt of the maternity allowance, the allowance shall be adjusted accordingly.
- (j) Maternity allowance payments made under the SUB Plan will neither reduce nor increase an employee's deferred remuneration or severance pay.

* **B15.03 Special maternity allowance for totally disabled employees**

- * (a) An employee who:
 - * (i) fails to satisfy the eligibility requirement specified in subparagraph B15.02(a)(ii) solely because a concurrent entitlement to benefits under the Disability Insurance (DI) Plan, the Long-Term Disability (LTD) Insurance portion of the Public Service Management Insurance Plan (PSMIP) or the *Government Employees Compensation Act* prevents her from receiving Employment Insurance or Quebec Parental Insurance maternity benefits,

and
 - * (ii) has satisfied all of the other eligibility criteria specified in paragraph B15.02(a), other than those specified in sections (A) and (B) of subparagraph B15.02(a)(iii),

and
- * shall be paid, in respect of each week of maternity allowance not received for the reason described in subparagraph B15.03(a)(i), the difference

between ninety-three per cent (93%) of her weekly rate of pay and recruitment and retention “terminable allowance”, and the gross amount of her weekly disability benefit under the DI Plan, the LTD Plan or via the *Government Employees Compensation Act*.

- * (b) An employee shall be paid an allowance under this clause and under clause B15.02 for a combined period of no more than the number of weeks during which she would have been eligible for maternity benefits under the Employment Insurance or the Quebec Parental Insurance Plan had she not been disqualified from Employment Insurance or Quebec Parental Insurance maternity benefits for the reasons described in subparagraph B15.03(a)(i).

****ARTICLE B16**
PARENTAL LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

* **B16.01 Parental Leave Without Pay**

- (a) Where an employee has or will have the actual care and custody of a new-born child (including the new-born child of a common-law partner), the employee shall, upon request, be granted parental leave without pay upon request for either:

- (i) a single period of up to thirty-seven (37) consecutive weeks in the fifty-two (52) week period

or

- (ii) a single period of up to sixty-three (63) consecutive weeks in the seventy-eight (78) week period (extended option),

beginning on the day on which the child is born or the day on which the child comes into the employee's care.

- (b) Where an employee commences legal proceedings under the laws of a province to adopt a child or obtains an order under the laws of a province for the adoption of a child, the employee shall, upon request, be granted parental leave without pay for either:

- (i) a single period of up to thirty-seven (37) consecutive weeks in the fifty-two week (52) period (standard option),

or

- (ii) a single period of up to sixty-three (63) consecutive weeks in the seventy-eight (78) week period (extended option),

beginning on the day on which the child comes into the employee's care.

- (c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b) above, at the request of an employee and at the discretion of the Employer, the leave referred to in

paragraphs (a) and (b) above may be taken in two periods.

- (d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b):
- (i) where the employee's child is hospitalized within the period defined in the above paragraphs, and the employee has not yet proceeded on parental leave without pay,
 - or
 - (ii) where the employee has proceeded on parental leave without pay and then returns to work for all or part of the period while his or her child is hospitalized,

the period of parental leave without pay specified in the original leave request may be extended by a period equal to that portion of the period of the child's hospitalization while the employee was not on parental leave. However, the extension shall end not later than one hundred and four (104) weeks after the day on which the child comes into the employee's care.

- (e) An employee who intends to request parental leave without pay shall notify the Employer at least four (4) weeks before the commencement date of such leave.
- (f) The Employer may:
 - (i) defer the commencement of parental leave without pay at the request of the employee;
 - (ii) grant the employee parental leave without pay with less than four (4) weeks' notice;
 - (iii) require an employee to submit a birth certificate or proof of adoption of the child.
- (g) Leave granted under this clause shall count for the calculation of "continuous employment" for the purpose of calculating severance pay and "service" for the purpose of calculating vacation leave. Time spent on such leave shall count for pay increment purposes.

**** B16.02 Parental Allowance**

* Under the Employment Insurance (EI) benefits plan, parental allowance is payable under two options, either:

- Option 1: standard parental benefits, B16.02 paragraphs (c) to (k), or
- Option 2: extended parental benefits, B16.02 paragraphs (l) to (t).

Once an employee elects the standard or extended parental benefits and the weekly benefit top up allowance is set, the decision is irrevocable and shall not be changed should the employee return to work at an earlier date than that

originally scheduled.

Under the Québec Parental Insurance Plan (QPIP), parental allowance is payable only under Option 1: standard parental benefits.

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Parental Allowance Administration

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(a) An employee who has been granted parental leave without pay, shall be paid a parental allowance in accordance with the terms of the Supplemental Unemployment Benefit (SUB) Plan described in paragraphs (c) to (i) or (l) to (r), providing he or she:

(i) has completed six (6) months of continuous employment before the commencement of parental leave without pay,

(ii) provides the Employer with proof that he or she has applied for and is in receipt of parental, paternity or adoption benefits under the Employment Insurance Plan or the Quebec Parental Insurance Plan in respect of insurable employment with the Employer,

and

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(iii) has signed an agreement with the Employer stating that:

A. the employee will return to work within the federal public administration, as specified in Schedule I, Schedule IV or Schedule V of the *Financial Administration Act*, on the expiry date of his or her parental leave without pay, unless the return to work date is modified by the approval of another form of leave;

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B. Following his or her return to work, as described in section (A), the employee will work for a period equal to the period the employee was in receipt of the standard parental allowance in addition to the period of time referred to in section B16.02(a)(iii)(B), if applicable. Where the employee has elected the extended parental allowance, following his or her return to work, as described in section (A), the employee will work for a period equal to sixty percent (60%) of the period the employee was in receipt of the extended parental allowance in addition to the period of time referred to in section B16.02(a)(iii)(B), if applicable.

C. should he or she fail to return to work as described in section (A) or should he or she return to work but fail to work the total period specified in section (B), for reasons other than death, lay-off, early termination due to lack of work or discontinuance of a function of a specified period of employment that would have been sufficient to meet the obligations specified in section (B), or having become disabled as defined in the Public Service Superannuation Act, he or she will be indebted to the Employer for an amount determined as follows:

[allowance X
received]

[remaining period to be worked following return to
work]

total period to be worked as specified in (B)]

however, an employee whose specified period of employment expired and who is rehired within the federal public administration as described in section (A), within a period of ninety (90) days or less is not indebted for the amount if his or her new period of employment is sufficient to meet the obligations specified in section (B).

- (b) For the purpose of sections(a)(iii)(B), and (C), periods of leave with pay shall count as time worked. Periods of leave without pay during the employee's return to work will not be counted as time worked but shall interrupt the period referred to in section (a)(iii)(B), without activating the recovery provisions described in section (a)(iii)(C).

Option 1 - Standard Parental Allowance:

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- (c) Parental Allowance payments made in accordance with the SUB Plan will consist of the following:

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- (i) where an employee on parental leave without pay as described in B16.01 (a)(i) and (b)(i), has elected to receive Standard Employment Insurance parental benefits and is subject to a waiting period before receiving Employment Insurance parental benefits, ninety-three percent (93%) of his or her weekly rate of pay (and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance" if applicable) for each week of the waiting period, less any other monies earned during this period;
- (ii) for each week the employee receives parental, adoption or paternity benefits, under the Employment Insurance Plan or the Québec Parental Insurance Plan, he or she is eligible to receive the difference between ninety-three percent (93%) of his or her weekly rate (and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance" if applicable) and the parental, adoption or paternity benefits, less any other monies earned during this period which may result in a decrease in his or her parental, adoption or paternity benefits to which he or she would have been eligible if no extra monies had been earned during this period;
- (iii) where an employee has received the full eighteen (18) weeks of maternity benefit and the full thirty-two (32) weeks of parental benefit or has divided the full thirty-two (32) weeks of parental benefits with another employee in receipt of the full five (5) weeks paternity under the Québec Parental Insurance Plan for the same child and either employee thereafter remains on parental leave without pay, that employee is eligible to receive a further parental allowance for a period of up to two (2) weeks, ninety-three per cent (93%) of their weekly rate of pay (and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance" if applicable) for each week, less any other monies earned during this period;
- (iv) where an employee has divided the full thirty-seven (37) weeks of adoption benefits with another employee under the Québec Parental Insurance Plan for the same child and either employee thereafter

remains on parental leave without pay, that employee is eligible to receive a further parental allowance for a period of up to two (2) weeks, ninety-three per cent (93%) of their weekly rate of pay (and the recruitment and retention “terminable allowance” if applicable) for each week, less any other monies earned during this period;

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- (v) where an employee has received the full thirty-five (35) weeks of parental benefit under the Employment Insurance Plan and thereafter remains on parental leave without pay, he or she is eligible to receive a further parental allowance for a period of one (1) week, ninety-three per cent (93%) of his or her weekly rate of pay (and the recruitment and retention “terminable allowance” if applicable), less any other monies earned during this period, unless said employee has already received the one (1) week of allowance contained in B15.02(c)(iii) for the same child.

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- (vi) where an employee has divided the full forty (40) weeks of parental benefits with another employee under the Employment Insurance Plan for the same child and either employee thereafter remains on parental leave without pay, that employee is eligible to receive a further parental allowance for a period of one (1) week, ninety-three per cent (93%) of their weekly rate of pay (and the recruitment and retention “terminable allowance” if applicable), less any other monies earned during this period, unless said employee has already received the one (1) week of allowance contained in B15.02(c)(iii) and B16.02(c)(v) for the same child;

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- (d) At the employee’s request, the payment referred to in subparagraph B16.02(c)(i) will be estimated and advanced to the employee. Adjustments will be made once the employee provides proof of receipt of Employment Insurance Plan parental benefits.
- (e) The parental allowance to which an employee is entitled is limited to that provided in paragraph (c) and an employee will not be reimbursed for any amount that he or she is required to repay pursuant to the *Employment Insurance Act* or the *Act Respecting Parental Insurance* in Quebec.
- (f) The weekly rate of pay referred to in paragraph (c) shall be:
 - (i) for a full-time employee, the employee’s weekly rate of pay on the day immediately preceding the commencement of maternity or parental leave without pay;
 - (ii) for an employee who has been employed on a part-time or on a combined full-time and part-time basis during the six (6) month period preceding the commencement of maternity or parental leave without pay, the rate obtained by multiplying the weekly rate of pay in subparagraph (i) by the fraction obtained by dividing the employee’s straight time earnings by the straight time earnings the employee would have earned working full-time during such period.
- (g) The weekly rate of pay referred to in paragraph (f) shall be the rate (and the recruitment and retention “terminable allowance” if applicable) to which the employee is entitled for the substantive level to which he or she is

appointed.

- (h) Notwithstanding paragraph (g), and subject to subparagraph (f)(ii), if on the day immediately preceding the commencement of parental leave without pay an employee is performing an acting assignment for at least four (4) months, the weekly rate shall be the rate (and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance" if applicable), the employee was being paid on that day.
- (i) Where an employee becomes eligible for a pay increment or pay revision while in receipt of the allowance, the allowance shall be adjusted accordingly.
- (j) Parental allowance payments made under the SUB Plan will neither reduce nor increase an employee's deferred remuneration or severance pay.
- (k) The maximum combined, shared, maternity and standard parental allowances payable shall not exceed fifty-seven (57) weeks for each combined maternity and parental leave without pay.

Option 2 - Extended Parental Allowance:

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- (l) Parental Allowance payments made in accordance with the SUB Plan will consist of the following:

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- (i) where an employee on parental leave without pay as described in B16.01(a)(ii) and (b)(ii), has elected to receive extended Employment Insurance parental benefits and is subject to a waiting period before receiving Employment Insurance parental benefits, fifty-five decimal eight per cent (55.8%) of his or her weekly rate of pay (and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance" if applicable) for the waiting period, less any other monies earned during this period;
- (ii) for each week the employee receives parental benefits under the Employment Insurance, he or she is eligible to receive the difference between fifty-five decimal eight per cent (55.8%) of his or her weekly rate (and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance" if applicable) and the parental benefits, less any other monies earned during this period which may result in a decrease in his or her parental benefits to which he or she would have been eligible if no extra monies had been earned during this period;

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- (iii) where an employee has received the full sixty-one (61) weeks of parental benefits under the Employment Insurance and thereafter remains on parental leave without pay, he or she is eligible to receive a further parental allowance for a period of one (1) week, fifty-five decimal eight per cent (55.8%) of his or her weekly rate of pay (and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance" if applicable), less any other monies earned during this period, unless

said employee has already received the one (1) week of allowance contained in B15.02(c)(iii) for the same child.

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- (iv) where an employee has divided the full sixty-nine (69) weeks of parental benefits with another employee under the Employment Insurance Plan for the same child and either employee thereafter remains on parental leave without pay, that employee is eligible to receive a further parental allowance for a period of one (1) week, fifty-five decimal eight per cent (55.8%) of their weekly rate of pay (and the recruitment and retention “terminable allowance” if applicable), less any other monies earned during this period, unless said employee has already received the one (1) week of allowance contained in B15.02(c)(iii) for the same child;

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- (m) At the employee’s request, the payment referred to in subparagraph B16.02(l)(i) will be estimated and advanced to the employee. Adjustments will be made once the employee provides proof of receipt of Employment Insurance.
- (n) The parental allowance to which an employee is entitled is limited to that provided in paragraph (l) and an employee will not be reimbursed for any amount that he or she is required to repay pursuant to the *Employment Insurance Act*.
- (o) The weekly rate of pay referred to in paragraphs (l) shall be:
 - (i) for a full-time employee, the employee’s weekly rate of pay on the day immediately preceding the commencement of parental leave without pay;
 - (ii) for an employee who has been employed on a part-time or on a combined full-time and part-time basis during the six (6) month period preceding the commencement of parental leave without pay, the rate obtained by multiplying the weekly rate of pay in subparagraph (i) by the fraction obtained by dividing the employee’s straight time earnings by the straight time earnings the employee would have earned working full-time during such period.
- (p) The weekly rate of pay referred to in paragraph (l) shall be the rate (and the recruitment and retention “terminable allowance” if applicable) to which the employee is entitled for the substantive level to which he or she is appointed.
- (q) Notwithstanding paragraph (p), and subject to subparagraph (o)(ii), if on the day immediately preceding the commencement of parental leave without pay an employee is performing an acting assignment for at least four (4) months, the weekly rate shall be the rate (and the recruitment and retention “terminable allowance” if applicable), the employee was being paid on that day.
- (r) Where an employee becomes eligible for a pay increment or pay revision while in receipt of the allowance, the allowance shall be adjusted

accordingly.

- (s) Parental allowance payments made under the SUB Plan will neither reduce nor increase an employee's deferred remuneration or severance pay.
- (t) The maximum combined, shared, maternity and extended parental allowances payable shall not exceed eighty-six (86) weeks for each combined maternity and parental leave without pay.

*** B16.03 Special Parental Allowance for Totally Disabled Employees**

- * (a) An employee who
 - * (i) fails to satisfy the eligibility requirement specified in subparagraph B16.02(a)(ii) solely because of a concurrent entitlement to benefits under the Disability Insurance (DI) Plan, the Long Term Disability (LTD) Insurance portion of the Public Service Management Insurance Plan (PSMIP), or the *Government Employees Compensation Act* prevents the employee from receiving Employment Insurance or Quebec Parental Insurance benefits,

and
 - * (ii) has satisfied all of the other eligibility criteria specified in paragraph B16.02(a), other than those specified in sections (A) and (B) or subparagraph B16.02(a)(iii),

shall be paid, in respect of each week of benefits under the parental allowance not received for the reason described in subparagraph B16.03(a)(i), the difference between ninety-three percent (93%) of the employee's weekly rate of pay and the recruitment and retention "terminable allowance", if applicable, and the gross amount of his or her weekly disability benefit under the DI Plan, the LTD Plan or via the *Government Employees Compensation Act*.
- * (b) An employee shall be paid an allowance under this clause and under B16.02 for a combined period of no more than the number of weeks during which the employee would have been eligible for parental, paternity or adoption benefits under the Employment Insurance or Québec Parental Insurance Plan, had the employee not been disqualified from Employment Insurance or Québec Parental Insurance benefits for the reasons described in subparagraph B16.03(a)(i).

***ARTICLE B17
MATERNITY-RELATED REASSIGNMENT OR LEAVE**

- * **B17.01** (a) An employee who is pregnant or nursing may, during the period from the beginning of pregnancy to the end of the twenty-fourth (24th) week following the birth, request the Employer to modify her job functions or reassign her to another job if, by reason of the pregnancy or nursing,

continuing any of her current functions may pose a risk to her health or that of the foetus or child.

- * (b) An employee's request under sub-clause B17.01 (a) must be accompanied or followed as soon as possible by a medical certificate indicating the expected duration of the potential risk and the activities or conditions to avoid in order to eliminate the risk. Dependent upon the particular circumstances of the request, the Employer may obtain an independent medical opinion.

- * (c) An employee who has made a request under sub-clause B17.01 (a) is entitled to continue in her current job while the Employer examines her request, but, if the risk posed by continuing any of her job functions so requires, she is entitled to be immediately assigned alternative duties until such time as the Employer:
 - (i) modifies her job functions or reassigns her,

 - or

 - (ii) informs her in writing that it is not reasonably practicable to modify her job functions or reassign her.

- (d) Where reasonably practicable, the Employer shall modify the employee's job functions or reassign her.

- (e) Where the Employer concludes that a modification of job functions or a reassignment that would avoid the activities or conditions indicated in the medical certificate is not reasonably practicable, the Employer shall so inform the employee in writing and shall grant leave of absence without pay to the employee for the duration of the risk as indicated in the medical certificate. However, such leave shall end no later than twenty-four (24) weeks after the birth.

- (f) An employee whose job functions have been modified, who has been reassigned or who is on leave of absence shall give at least two (2) weeks notice in writing to the Employer of any change in duration of the risk or the inability as indicated in the medical certificate, unless there is a valid reason why that notice cannot be given. Such notice must be accompanied by a new medical certificate.

**** ARTICLE B18**

MEDICAL APPOINTMENT FOR PREGNANT EMPLOYEES

- ** B18.01** Up to three decimal seven five (3.75) hours of reasonable time off with pay will be granted to pregnant employees for the purpose of attending each routine medical appointment.

- * **B18.02** Where a series of continuing appointments are necessary for the treatment of a particular condition relating to the pregnancy, absences shall be charged to sick leave.

**** ARTICLE B19**
LEAVE WITHOUT PAY FOR THE CARE OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY

**** B19.01** For the purpose of this Article, immediate family is defined as spouse (or common-law partner), children (including foster children or children of spouse or common-law partner or ward of the employee), grandchildren, grandparents, parents (including step-parents or foster parents), brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, or any relative permanently residing in the employee's household or with whom the employee permanently resides and in addition:

- (a) a person who stands in the place of a relative for the employee whether or not there is any degree of consanguinity between such person and the employee.

*** B19.02** Subject to operational requirements, an employee shall be granted leave without pay for the care of immediate family in accordance with the following conditions:

- (a) an employee shall notify the Employer in writing as far in advance as possible but not less than four (4) weeks in advance of the commencement date of such leave, unless such notice cannot be given because of an urgent or unforeseeable circumstance;
- (b) leave granted under this Article shall be for a minimum period of three (3) weeks;
- (c) the total leave granted under this Article shall not exceed five (5) years during an employee's total period of employment in the Canadian Food Inspection Agency or in the Public Service;
- (d) leave granted for periods of one (1) year or less shall be scheduled in a manner which ensures continued service delivery;
- (e) time spent on such leave shall not be counted for pay increment purposes.

*** B19.03 Caregiving Leave**

- (a) An employee who provides the Employer with proof that he or she is in receipt of or awaiting Employment Insurance (EI) benefits for Compassionate Care Benefits, Family Caregiver Benefits for Children and/or Family Caregiver Benefits for Adults may be granted leave without pay while in receipt of or awaiting these benefits.

*** (b)** The leave without pay described in B19.03(a) shall not exceed twenty-six (26) weeks for Compassionate Care Benefits, thirty-five (35) weeks for Family Caregiver Benefits for Children and fifteen (15) weeks for Family Caregiver Benefits for Adults, in addition to any applicable waiting period.

- (c) When notified, an employee who was awaiting benefits must provide the Employer with proof that the request for Employment Insurance (EI) Compassionate Care Benefits, Family Caregiver Benefits for Children and/or Family Caregiver Benefits for Adults has been accepted.

- * (d) When an employee is notified that their request for Employment Insurance (EI) Compassionate Care Benefits, Family Caregiver Benefits for Children and/or Family Caregiver Benefits for Adults has been denied, clause B19.03(a) above ceases to apply.
 - (e) Leave granted under this clause shall count for the calculation of “continuous employment” for the purpose of calculating severance pay and “service” for the purpose of calculating vacation leave. Time spent on such leave shall count for pay increment purposes.
- * **B19.04** An employee who has proceeded on leave without pay may change his return to work date if such change does not result in additional costs to the Employer.

***ARTICLE B20
LEAVE WITHOUT PAY FOR PERSONAL NEEDS**

- * **B20.01** Leave without pay will be granted for personal needs, in the following manner:
- (a) Subject to operational requirements, leave without pay for a period of up to three (3) months will be granted to an employee for personal needs.
 - (b) Subject to operational requirements, leave without pay of more than three (3) months but not exceeding one (1) year will be granted to an employee for personal needs.
 - (c) An employee is entitled to leave without pay for personal needs only once under each of (a) and (b) of this clause during his total period of employment in the Public Service and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. Leave without pay granted under this clause may not be used in combination with maternity or parental leave without the consent of the Employer.
 - (d) Leave granted under (a) of this clause shall be counted for the calculation of “continuous employment” for the purpose of calculating severance pay and “service” for the purpose of calculating vacation leave. Time spent on such leave shall be counted for pay increment purposes.
 - (e) Leave without pay granted under (b) of this clause shall be deducted from the calculation of “continuous employment” for the purpose of calculating severance pay and “service” for the purpose of calculating vacation leave for the employee involved. Time spent on such leave shall not be counted for pay increment purposes.

***ARTICLE B21
LEAVE WITHOUT PAY FOR RELOCATION OF SPOUSE
OR COMMON-LAW PARTNER**

- * **B21.01** At the request of an employee, leave without pay for a period of up to one (1) year shall be granted to an employee whose spouse or common-law partner is

permanently relocated and up to five (5) years to an employee whose spouse or common law-partner is temporarily relocated.

****ARTICLE B22**

LEAVE WITH PAY FOR FAMILY-RELATED RESPONSIBILITIES

- ** B22.01**
- (a) For the purpose of this Article, family is defined as spouse (or common-law partner), child (including foster child or child of legal or common-law partner and ward of the employee), or parents (including step-parent or foster parent), father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, grandparents and grandchildren of the employee, any relative permanently residing in the employee's household or with whom the employee permanently resides, any relative for whom the employee has a duty of care, irrespective of whether they reside with the employee; or a person who stands in the place of a relative for the employee whether or not there is any degree of consanguinity between such person and the employee.
 - (b) The total leave with pay which may be granted under this Article shall not exceed thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours in a fiscal year.
 - **** (c) Subject to sub-clause B22.01 (b), the Employer shall grant leave with pay under the following circumstances:
 - (i) to take a dependent family member for medical or dental appointments, or for appointments with school authorities or adoption agencies, if the supervisor was notified of the appointment as far in advance as possible;
 - (ii) to provide for the immediate and temporary care of a sick member of the employee's family and to provide an employee with time to make alternate care arrangements where the illness is of a longer duration;
 - (iii) to provide for the immediate and temporary care of an elderly member of the employee's family;
 - (iv) for needs directly related to the birth or to the adoption of the employee's child which may be divided into two (2) periods and granted on separate days;
 - (v) to attend school functions, if the supervisor was notified of the function as far in advance as possible;
 - (vi) to provide for the employee's child in the case of an unforeseeable closure of the school or daycare facility;
 - **** (vii) to visit a family member who, due to an incurable terminal illness, is nearing the end of their life;
 - **** (viii) fifteen (15) hours out of the thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours stipulated in B22.01 (b) may be used to attend an appointment with a legal or paralegal representative for non-employment related matters, or with a financial or other professional representative, if the supervisor was notified of the appointment as far in advance as

possible.

***ARTICLE B23
COURT LEAVE WITH PAY**

- * B23.01** Leave with pay shall be given to every employee, other than an employee already on leave without pay, on education leave, or under suspension who is required:
- (a) to be available for jury selection;
 - (b) to serve on a jury;
- or
- (c) by subpoena or summons to attend as a witness in any proceeding held:
 - (i) in or under the authority of a court of justice;
 - (ii) before a court, judge, justice, magistrate or coroner;
 - (iii) before the Senate or House of Commons of Canada or a committee of the Senate or House of Commons otherwise than in the performance of the duties of the employee's position;
 - (iv) before a legislative Council, legislative assembly or house of assembly, or any committee thereof that is authorized by law to compel the attendance of witnesses before it;
- or
- (v) before an arbitrator or umpire or a person or body of persons authorized by law to make an inquiry and to compel the attendance of witnesses before it.

***ARTICLE B24
PERSONNEL SELECTION LEAVE WITH PAY**

- * B24.01** Where an employee participates in a personnel selection process, including the appeal process where applicable, for a position in the Canadian Food Inspection Agency or for positions in other agencies or departments (as defined in the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*) with whom the Canadian Food Inspection Agency has agreements on areas of selection, the employee is entitled to leave with pay for the period during which the employee's presence is required for purposes of the selection process, and for such further period as the Employer considers reasonable for the employee to travel to and from the place where his presence is required.

***ARTICLE B25**
INJURY-ON-DUTY LEAVE WITH PAY

- * **B25.01** An employee shall be granted injury-on-duty leave with pay for such reasonable period as may be determined by the Employer where it is determined by a Provincial Worker's Compensation Board that the employee is unable to perform his duties because of:
- (a) personal injury accidentally received in the performance of the employee's duties and not caused by the employee's wilful misconduct,
 - (b) sickness resulting from the nature of the employee's employment,
- or
- (c) exposure to hazardous conditions in the course of the employee's employment, if the employee agrees to pay to the Receiver General of Canada any amount received by such employee for loss of wages in settlement of any claim such employee may have in respect of such injury, sickness or exposure.

***ARTICLE B26**
EXAMINATION LEAVE

- * **B26.01** Leave with pay to take examinations or defend dissertations may be granted by the Employer to an employee who is not on education leave. Such leave will be granted only where in the opinion of the Employer, the course of study is directly related to the employee's duties or will improve the employee's qualifications.

***ARTICLE B27**
OTHER LEAVE WITH PAY

- * **B27.01** At its discretion, the Employer may grant leave with pay for purposes other than those specified in this Agreement, including military or civil defence training, emergencies affecting the community or place of work, and when circumstances not directly attributable to the employee prevent the employee's reporting for duty.

- * **B27.02** **Personal Leave**

Subject to operational requirements as determined by the Employer and with an advance notice of at least five (5) working days, the employee shall be granted, in each fiscal year, fifteen (15) hours' leave with pay for reasons of a personal nature. This leave can be taken in periods of seven decimal five (7.5) hours or three decimal seven five (3.75) hours each.

The leave will be scheduled at times convenient both to the employee and the Employer. Nevertheless, the Employer shall make every reasonable effort to grant the leave at such a time as the employee may request.

*** B27.03 Domestic Violence Leave**

For the purposes of this article domestic violence is considered to be any form of abuse or neglect that an employee or an employee's child experiences from a family member, or from someone with whom the employee has or had an intimate relationship.

- (a) The parties recognize that employees may be subject to domestic violence in their personal life that could affect their attendance at work.
- (b) Upon request, an employee who is subject to domestic violence or who is the parent of a dependent child who is subject to domestic violence shall be granted domestic violence leave in order to enable the employee, in respect of such violence:
 - (i) to seek care and/or support for themselves or their child in respect of a physical or psychological injury or disability;
 - (ii) to obtain services from an organization which provides services for individuals who are subject to domestic violence;
 - (iii) to obtain professional counselling;
 - (iv) to relocate temporarily or permanently; or
 - (v) to seek legal or law enforcement assistance or to prepare for or participate in any civil or criminal legal proceeding.
- (c) The total domestic violence leave with pay which may be granted under this article shall not exceed seventy-five (75) hours in a fiscal year.
- (d) Unless otherwise informed by the Employer, a statement signed by the employee stating that they meet the conditions of this article shall, when delivered to the Employer, be considered as meeting the requirements of this article.
- * (e)** Notwithstanding clauses B27.03(b) to B27.03(c), an employee is not entitled to domestic violence leave if the employee is charged with an offence related to that act or if it is probable, considering the circumstances, that the employee committed that act.

***ARTICLE B28
OTHER LEAVE WITHOUT PAY**

- * B28.01** At its discretion, the Employer may grant leave without pay for purposes other than those specified in this Agreement, including enrolment in the Canadian Armed Forces and election to a full-time municipal office.

****ARTICLE B29**
COMPENSATORY LEAVE WITH PAY

- ** B29.01** Upon request by the employee and at the discretion of the Employer, compensation earned under Articles B4 – Overtime, B5 – Call-back, B6 – Standby, B7 – Reporting Pay, B8 – Designated Paid Holidays, and travelling time compensated at an overtime rate under Article B9 – Travelling Time, and B10 – Scientific Research Allowances may be taken in the form of compensatory leave, which will be calculated at the premium rate laid down in the applicable Article.
- * B29.02** The Employer shall grant compensatory leave at times convenient to both the employee and the Employer.
- * B29.03** Compensatory leave earned in a fiscal year and unused as of September 30th of the following fiscal year shall be paid at the employee’s hourly rate of pay on that September 30th.
- * B29.04** At the request of the employee and with the approval of the Employer, accumulated compensatory leave may be paid out, in whole or in part, at the employee’s hourly rate of pay as calculated from the classification prescribed in the certificate of appointment at the time of the request.
- * B29.05** When an employee dies or otherwise ceases to be employed, he or the employee’s estate shall be paid an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the number of hours of earned but unused compensatory leave to his credit by the hourly rate of pay as calculated from the classification prescribed in his certificate of appointment on the date of the termination of his or her employment.
- * B29.06** When a payment is being made as a result of the application of this Article, the Employer will endeavour to make such payment within six (6) weeks following the end of the pay period in which the employee requests payment, or, if the payment is required to liquidate compensatory leave unused at the end of the fiscal year, the Employer will endeavour to make such a payment within six (6) weeks of the commencement of the first pay period after September 30th of the following fiscal year.

****ARTICLE B30**
LEAVE FOR TRADITIONAL INDIGENOUS PRACTICES

- ** B30.01** Subject to operational requirements as determined by the Employer, fifteen (15) hours of leave with pay and twenty-two decimal five (22.5) hours of leave without pay per fiscal year shall be granted to an employee who self-declares as an Indigenous person and who requests leave to engage in traditional Indigenous practices, including land-based activities such as hunting, fishing, and harvesting.

For the purposes of this article, an Indigenous person means First Nations, Inuit or Métis.

- ** B30.02** Unless otherwise informed by the Employer, a statement signed by the

employee stating that they meet the conditions of this article shall, when delivered to the Employer, be considered as meeting the requirements of this article.

**** B30.03** An employee who intends to request leave under this article must give notice to the Employer as far in advance as possible before the requested period of leave.

**** B30.04** As an alternative to leave without pay as per clause B30.01, at the request of the employee and at the discretion of the Employer, time off with pay, up to a total amount of twenty-two decimal five (22.5) hours, may be granted to the employee in order to fulfill their traditional Indigenous practices. The number of hours with pay so granted must be made up hour for hour within a period of six (6) months, at times agreed to by the Employer. Hours worked as a result of time off granted under this clause shall not be compensated nor should they result in any additional payments by the Employer.

**** B30.05** Leave or time off with pay under this article may be taken in one or more periods. Each period of leave shall not be less than seven decimal five (7.5) hours.

****ARTICLE B31 CAREER DEVELOPMENT**

**** B31.01 General**

(a) The parties recognize that in order to maintain and enhance professional expertise, employees, from time to time, need to have an opportunity to attend or participate in career development activities described in this Article.

****** (b) An employee is entitled to a personal learning plan which will be jointly developed with the responsible manager. The personal learning plan will be reviewed and updated on an annual basis at the employee's request.

**** B31.02 Education Leave**

(a) An employee may be granted education leave without pay for varying periods up to one (1) year, which can be renewed by mutual agreement, to attend a recognized institution for additional or special studies in some field of education in which special preparation is needed to enable the employee to fill the employee's present role more adequately, or to undertake studies in some field in order to provide a service which the Employer requires or is planning to provide.

****** (b) An employee on Education Leave without pay under this clause may receive an allowance in lieu of salary of up to one hundred per cent (100%) of his basic salary. The percentage of the allowance is at the discretion of the Employer. Where the employee receives a grant, bursary or scholarship, the education leave allowance may be reduced. In such cases, the amount of the reduction shall not exceed the amount of the grant, bursary or scholarship.

- (c) Allowances already being received by the employee may, at the discretion of the Employer, be continued during the period of the education leave. The employee shall be notified when the leave is approved whether such allowances are to be continued in whole or in part.
- (d) As a condition to the granting of education leave, an employee shall, if required, give a written undertaking prior to the commencement of the leave to return to the service of the Employer for a period of not less than the period of the leave granted. If the employee, except with the permission of the Employer:
 - (i) fails to complete the course,
 - (ii) does not resume employment with the Employer on completion of the course,
 - or
 - (iii) ceases to be employed, except by reason of death, lay-off, or incapacity, before termination of the period he has undertaken to serve after completion of the course, the employee shall repay the Employer all allowances paid to the employee under this clause during the education leave or such lesser sum as shall be determined by the Employer.

**** B31.03 Attendance at Conferences and Conventions**

- **** (a) Career development refers to an activity which is, in the opinion of the Employer, likely to be of assistance to the employee in furthering career development and to the organization in achieving its goals. The following activities shall be deemed to be part of career development:
 - (i) a course given by the Employer;
 - (ii) a course offered by a recognized academic institution;
 - **** (iii) a seminar, convention, conference, or study session in a specialized field offered directly related to the employee's work.
- (b) The parties to this Agreement recognize that attendance or participation at conferences, conventions, symposia, workshops and other gatherings of a similar nature contributes to the maintenance of high professional standards.
- (c) In order to benefit from an exchange of knowledge and experience, an employee shall have the opportunity on occasion to attend conferences and conventions which are related to his field of specialization, subject to budgetary and operational constraints.
- (d) The Employer may grant leave with pay and reasonable expenses including registration fees to attend such gatherings, subject to budgetary and operational constraints.

- (e) An employee who attends a conference or convention at the request of the Employer to represent the interests of the Employer shall be deemed to be on duty and, as required, in travel status. The Employer shall pay the registration fees of the convention or conference the employee is required to attend.
- (f) An employee invited to participate in a conference or convention in an official capacity, such as to present a formal address or to give a course related to the employee's field of employment, may be granted leave with pay for this purpose and may, in addition, be reimbursed for his payment of convention or conference registration fees and reasonable travel expenses.
- * (g) An employee shall not be entitled to any compensation under Articles B4 – Overtime or B9 – Travelling Time in respect of hours such employee is in attendance at or travelling to or from a conference or convention under the provisions of this clause, except as provided by sub-clause (e).

**** B31.04 Professional Development**

- ** (a) The parties to this Agreement share a desire to improve professional standards by giving the employees the opportunity on occasion:
 - (i) to participate in workshops, short courses or similar out-service programs to keep up to date with knowledge and skills in their respective fields,
 - (ii) to conduct research or perform work related to their normal research programs in institutions or locations other than those of the Employer,
 - (iii) to carry out research in the employee's field of specialization not specifically related to his assigned work projects when in the opinion of the Employer such research is needed to enable the employee to fill his present role more adequately.
 - ** (iv) to participate in language workshops, or courses or immersion programs to attain, improve and/or maintain their language competencies.
- (b) Subject to the Employer's approval, an employee shall receive leave with pay in order to participate in the activities described in sub-clause B31.04 (a).
- (c) An employee may apply at any time for professional development under this clause, and the Employer may select an employee at any time for such professional development.
- (d) When an employee is selected by the Employer for professional development under this clause, the Employer will consult with the employee before determining the location and duration of the program of work or studies to be undertaken.
- * (e) An employee selected for professional development under this clause shall

continue to receive his normal compensation including any increase for which he may become eligible. The employee shall not be entitled to any compensation under Articles B4 – Overtime or B9 – Travelling Time while on professional development under this clause.

(f) An employee on professional development under this clause may be reimbursed for reasonable travel expenses and such other additional expenses as the Employer deems appropriate.

** (g) Upon request, an employee who is refused professional development will be provided with the reason for refusal in writing.

**** B31.05 Scientific Conferences and Professional Development**

* Clauses B31.05, B31.06, and B31.07 apply to the SE Group only.

** The parties to this Agreement recognize that attendance at scientific conferences, workshops and other gatherings of a similar nature constitutes an integral part of a scientist's research activities and that attendance and participation in such gatherings is recognized as an important element in enhancing creativity in the conduct of scientific research or professional development. In this context, the parties also recognize the importance of research networking with national and international peers and active participation in the business and organization of relevant scientific and professional societies.

**** B31.06 Scientific Conferences**

** (a) An employee will attend scientific conferences related to such employee's field of specialization when it is deemed by management that such attendance will benefit the research program or the employee's career development.

** (b) The employee will have the opportunity to attend conferences, symposia, workshops, and other gatherings of a similar nature, which such employee deems relevant and beneficial to the research program or the employee's career development. The Employer shall make a reasonable effort to approve the employee's request subject to operational requirements.

** (c) Final approval or denial to attend professional or scientific conferences under clause B31.06(a) will be communicated to the employee at least fourteen (14) calendar days before the registration deadline of the conference or the abstract submission deadline, whichever is earlier, provided that the employee's application to attend a professional or scientific conference under paragraph B31.06(a) is submitted at least ninety (90) calendar days before the registration deadline of the conference or the abstract submission deadline, whichever is earlier.

** (d) Upon request, an employee who is refused attendance at a conference will be provided with the reason for refusal in writing.

* (e) An employee who attends such a conference, workshop, and other

gatherings of a similar nature, shall be considered to be on duty and, as required, in travel status.

- * (f) An employee shall not be entitled to any compensation under Article B9 – Travelling Time in respect of hours such employee is travelling to or from a conference or similar gathering.

**** B31.07 Professional Development**

- (a) The parties recognize the desirability to improve professional standards by giving employees the opportunity to:

- * (i) conduct research or to perform work related to their normal research programs in institutions or locations other than their normal place of work, including non-Canadian Food Inspection Agency locations,

- ** (ii) carry out research in the employee's field of specialization not specifically related to the employee's assigned work projects when in the opinion of the Employer such research is needed to enable the employee to perform the employee's assigned role more adequately,

or

- ** (iii) participate in language workshops, or courses or immersion programs to attain, improve and/or maintain their language competencies.

- (b) An employee, in consultation with the Employer, may apply at any time for professional development under this clause, and the Employer shall make a reasonable effort to grant such professional assignments subject to operational requirements.

- (c) An employee may be selected by the Employer for such development under this clause, in which case the Employer will consult with the employee before determining the location and duration of the program of work or studies to be undertaken.

- (d) An employee selected for professional development under this clause will continue to receive his normal compensation including any increase or improvement for which such employee may become eligible.

- (e) An employee on professional development under this clause may be reimbursed for reasonable travel expenses and such other additional expenses as the Employer deems appropriate.

- ** (f) Upon request, an employee who is refused professional development will be provided with the reason for refusal in writing.

*** B31.08 Selection Criteria**

- * (a) Should the Employer establish selection criteria for granting leave under clauses

B31.02 through B31.07 for a specified group, a copy of these criteria will be provided to an employee who so requests and to the Institute Representative on the Canadian Food Inspection Agency Career Development Consultation Committee. The Employer, on request, will consult with the Institute Representative on the Committee with regard to the selection criteria.

- * (b) Applications for leave under clauses B31.02 through B31.07 will be reviewed by the Employer. A list of the names of the applicants to whom the Employer grants leave under clauses B31.02 through B31.07 will be provided to the Institute Representative on the Canadian Food Inspection Agency Career Development Consultation Committee.

* **B31.09 Canadian Food Inspection Agency Career Development Committee**

Consultation Committee

- (a) The parties to this collective agreement acknowledge the mutual benefits to be derived from consultation on Career Development. To this effect the parties agree that such consultation will be held at the Agency level either through the existing Joint Consultation Committee or through the creation of a Canadian Food Inspection Agency Career Development Consultation Committee. A consultation committee, as determined by the parties, may be established at the local, regional or national level.
- (b) The Canadian Food Inspection Agency Consultation Committee shall be composed of mutually agreeable numbers of employees and Employer representatives who shall meet at mutually satisfactory times. Committee meetings shall normally be held on the Employer's premises during working hours.
- (c) Employees forming the continuing membership of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency Consultation Committees shall be protected against any loss of normal pay by reason of attendance at such meetings with management, including reasonable travel time where applicable.
- (d) The Employer recognizes the use of such committees for the purpose of providing information, discussing the application of policy, promoting understanding and reviewing problems.
- (e) It is understood that no commitment may be made by either party on a subject that is not within their authority or jurisdiction, nor shall any commitment made be construed as to alter, amend, add to or modify the terms of this Agreement.

***ARTICLE B32
SEVERANCE PAY**

- * Effective September 8, 2014, paragraphs B32.01 (b) and (c) are no longer in effect in this Collective Agreement.

- * **B32.01** Under the following circumstances and subject to clause B32.02 an employee shall receive severance benefits calculated on the basis of their weekly rate of

pay:

(a) Lay-Off

- (i) On the first lay-off, for the first complete year of continuous employment two (2) weeks' pay, or three (3) weeks' pay for employees with ten (10) or more but less than twenty (20) years of continuous employment, or four (4) weeks' pay for employees with twenty (20) or more years of continuous employment, and one (1) week's pay for each additional complete year of continuous employment and, in the case of a partial year of continuous employment, one (1) week's pay multiplied by the number of days of continuous employment divided by three hundred and sixty-five (365).
- (ii) On second or subsequent lay-off, one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment, and, in the case of a partial year of continuous employment, one (1) week's pay multiplied by the number of days of continuous employment divided by three hundred and sixty-five (365), less any period in respect of which the employee was granted severance pay under sub-paragraph (a) (i).

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(b) Resignation

On resignation, subject to clause B32.01 (c) and with ten (10) or more years of continuous employment, one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment up to a maximum of twenty-six (26) years with a maximum benefit of thirteen (13) weeks' pay.

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(c) Retirement

- (i) On retirement, when an employee is entitled to an immediate annuity or to an immediate annual allowance under the *Public Service Superannuation Act*, a severance payment in respect of the employee's complete period of continuous employment, comprised of one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment and, in the case of a partial year of continuous employment, one (1) week's pay multiplied by the number of days of continuous employment divided by 365, to a maximum of thirty (30) weeks' pay.

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- (ii) An employee who has been continuously employed for more than one year and whose employment is terminated for reason of age upon attaining the age of sixty-five (65) years or more and who, by reason of insufficient pensionable service, is not entitled to an immediate annuity, shall receive severance pay in the same manner as provided in clause B32.01 (c) (i) above.

(d) Death

If an employee dies, there shall be paid to the employee's estate a severance payment in respect of the employee's complete period of

continuous employment, comprised of one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment and, in the case of a partial year of continuous employment, one (1) week's pay multiplied by the number of days of continuous employment divided by three hundred and sixty-five (365), to a maximum of thirty (30) weeks' pay, regardless of any other benefit payable.

(e) Rejection on Probation

On rejection on probation, when an employee has completed more than one (1) year of continuous employment and ceases to be employed by reason of rejection during a probationary period, such employee shall be paid severance pay equal to one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment with a maximum benefit of twenty-seven (27) weeks.

(f) Termination for Cause for Reasons of Incapacity or Incompetence

(i) When an employee has completed more than one (1) year of continuous employment and ceases to be employed by reason of termination for cause for reasons of incapacity pursuant to the provisions of section 12. (2) (d) of the *Financial Administration Act*, one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment with a maximum benefit of twenty-eight (28) weeks.

(ii) When an employee has completed more than ten (10) years of continuous employment and ceases to be employed by reason of termination for cause for reasons of incompetence pursuant to Section 12. (2) (d) of the *Financial Administration Act*, one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment with a maximum benefit of twenty-eight (28) weeks.

* **B32.02** The period of continuous employment used in the calculation of severance benefits payable to an employee under this Article shall be reduced by any period of continuous employment in respect of which the employee was already granted any type of termination benefit by the Public Service, a Federal Crown Corporation, the Canadian Forces or the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Under no circumstances shall the maximum severance pay provided under clause B32.01 and B32.05 be pyramided.

For greater certainty, payments made pursuant to B32.05 to B32.08 or similar provisions in other collective agreements shall be considered as a termination benefit for the administration of B32.02.

* **B32.03** The weekly rate of pay referred to in the above clauses shall be the weekly rate of pay to which the employee is entitled for the classification prescribed in his certificate of appointment, immediately prior to the termination of such employee's employment.

* **B32.04 Appointment to another Employer organization**

An employee who resigns to accept an appointment with an organization listed in Schedules I, IV or V of the *Financial Administration Act* shall be paid all

severance payments resulting from the application of B32.01 (b) (prior to September 8, 2014) or B32.05 to B32.08 (commencing September 8, 2014).

* **B32.05 Severance Termination**

- * (a) Subject to B32.02 above, indeterminate employees on September 8, 2014 shall be entitled to a severance payment equal to one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment and, in the case of a partial year of continuous employment, one (1) week's pay multiplied by the number of days of continuous employment divided by three hundred and sixty-five (365), to a maximum of thirty (30) weeks.
- * (b) Subject to B32.02 above, term employees on September 8, 2014 shall be entitled to a severance payment equal to one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment, to a maximum of thirty (30) weeks.

Terms of Payment

* **B32.06 Options**

The amount to which an employee is entitled shall be paid, at the employee's discretion, either:

- (a) as a single payment at the rate of pay of the employee's substantive position as of September 8, 2014, or
- (b) as a single payment at the time of the employee's termination of employment from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, based on the rate of pay of the employee's substantive position at the date of termination of employment from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, or
- * (c) as a combination of (a) and (b), pursuant to B32.07 (c).

* **B32.07 Selection of Option**

- (a) The Employer will advise the employee of his or her years of continuous employment no later than three (3) months following the date of signing of the collective agreement.
- (b) The employee shall advise the Employer of the term of payment option selected within six (6) months from the date of signing of the collective agreement.
- * (c) The employee who opts for the option described in B32.06 (c) must specify the number of complete weeks to be paid out pursuant to B32.06 (a) and the remainder to be paid out pursuant to B32.06 (b).
- * (d) An employee who does not make a selection under B32.07 (b) will be deemed to have chosen option B32.06 (b).

* **B32.08 Appointment from a Different Bargaining Unit**

This clause applies in a situation where an employee is appointed into a position in the S&A bargaining unit from a position outside the S&A bargaining unit where, at the date of appointment, provisions for severance pay entitlement for reasons of resignation or retirement are still in force, unless the appointment is only on an acting basis.

- * (a) Subject to B32.02 above, on the date an indeterminate employee becomes subject to this Agreement after September 8, 2014, he or she shall be entitled to a severance payment equal to one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment and, in the case of a partial year of continuous employment, one (1) week's pay multiplied by the number of days of continuous employment divided by three hundred and sixty-five (365), to a maximum of thirty (30) weeks, based on the employee's rate of pay of his substantive position on the day preceding the appointment.
- * (b) Subject to B32.02 above, on the date a term employee becomes subject to this Agreement after September 8, 2014, he or she shall be entitled to a severance payment equal to one (1) week's pay for each complete year of continuous employment, to a maximum of thirty (30) weeks, based on the employee's rate of pay of his substantive position on the day preceding the appointment.
- * (c) An employee entitled to a severance payment under sub-paragraph (a) or (b) shall have the same choice of options outlined in B32.06, however the selection of which option must be made within three (3) months of being appointed to the bargaining unit.
- * (d) An employee who does not make a selection under B32.08 (c) will be deemed to have chosen option B32.06 (b).

***ARTICLE B33
STATEMENT OF DUTIES**

- * **B33.01** Upon written request, an employee shall be provided with a complete and current statement of duties and responsibilities of his position, including the classification level and, where applicable, the point rating by factor to his position, and an organizational chart depicting the position's place in the organization.

***ARTICLE B34
REGISTRATION FEES**

- * **B34.01** The Employer shall reimburse an employee for their payment of membership or registration fees to an organization or governing body when the payment of such fees is a requirement for the continuation of the performance of the duties of the employee's position.

***ARTICLE B35
IMMUNIZATION**

- * B35.01** The Employer shall provide the employee with immunization against communicable diseases where there is a risk of incurring such diseases in the performance of the employee's duties.

****ARTICLE B36
TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGE**

- * B36.01** The parties have agreed that in cases where, as a result of technological change, the services of an employee are no longer required beyond a specified date because of lack of work or the discontinuance of a function, the Employment Transition Policy, Appendix "B" concluded by the parties will apply. In all other cases, the following clauses will apply:

- ** B36.02** In this Article "Technological Change" means:

- **** (a) the introduction by the Employer of equipment or material of a substantially different nature than that previously utilized;
- (b) a major change in the Employer's operation directly related to the introduction of that equipment or material which will result in significant changes in the employment status or working conditions of the employees;
- **** (c) a new technological system, software or hardware of a substantially different nature than that previously utilized; or
- **** (d) a technological change to a system, software or hardware of a substantially different nature than that previously utilized

****** which will result in significant changes in the employment status or working conditions requiring new/augmented skills or knowledge of the employees in order to accomplish stated objectives.

- * B36.03** Both parties recognize the overall advantages of technological change and will, therefore, encourage and promote technological change in the Employer's operations. Where technological change is to be implemented, the Employer will seek ways and means of minimizing adverse effects on employees which might result from such changes.

- * B36.04** The Employer agrees to provide as much advance notice as is practicable but, except in cases of emergency, not less than one hundred and twenty (120) days written notice to the Institute of the introduction or implementation of technological change.

- * B36.05** The written notice provided for in clause B36.04 will provide the following information:

- (a) the nature and degree of change;
- (b) the anticipated date or dates on which the Employer plans to effect

change;

(c) the location or locations involved.

- * **B36.06** As soon as reasonably practicable after notice is given under clause B36.04, the Employer shall consult with the Institute concerning the effects of the technological change referred to in clause B36.05 on each group of employees. Such consultation will include but not necessarily be limited to the following:
 - (a) the approximate number, class and location of employees likely to be affected by the change;
 - (b) the effect the change may be expected to have on working conditions or terms and conditions of employment on employees.
- ** **B36.07** When, as a result of technological change, the Employer determines that an employee required new skills or knowledge in order to perform the duties of his substantive position, the Employer, save for exceptional circumstances, shall provide the necessary training and/or knowledge transfer during the employee's working hours and at no cost to the employee.

***ARTICLE B37 SAFETY AND HEALTH**

- * **B37.01** The Employer shall continue to make all reasonable provisions for the occupational safety and health of employees. The Employer will welcome suggestions on the subject from the Institute and the parties undertake to consult with a view to adopting and expeditiously carrying out reasonable procedures and techniques designed or intended to prevent or reduce the risk of employment injury or occupational illness.
- * **B37.02** Subject to any legislation, amendments or any instrument introduced by Parliament, it is recognized that Part II of the Canada Labour Code applies to CFIA.

***ARTICLE B38 RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE**

- * **B38.01** The Employer shall make every reasonable effort to accommodate an employee who requests time off to fulfill his religious obligations.
- * **B38.02** Employees may, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, request annual leave, compensatory leave, leave without pay for other reasons or a shift exchange in order to fulfill their religious obligations.
- * **B38.03** Notwithstanding clause B38.02, at the request of the employee and at the discretion of the Employer, time off with pay may be granted to the employee in order to fulfill his religious obligations. The number of hours with pay so granted must be made up hour for hour within a period of six (6) months, at times agreed to by the Employer. Hours worked as a result of time off granted under this clause shall not be compensated nor should they result in any additional

payments by the Employer.

- * **B38.04** An employee who intends to request leave or time off under this Article must give notice to the Employer as far in advance as possible but no later than four (4) weeks before the requested period of absence.

**PART C
STAFF RELATIONS MATTERS**

**ARTICLE
C1 UNION DUES**

- C1.01** The Employer will as a condition of employment deduct an amount equal to the amount of the membership dues from the monthly pay of all employees in the bargaining unit.
- C1.02** The Institute shall inform the Employer in writing of the authorized monthly deduction to be checked off for each employee defined in clause C1.01.
- C1.03** For the purpose of applying clause C1.01, deductions from pay for each employee in respect of each month will start with the first full month of employment to the extent that earnings are available.
- C1.04** An employee who satisfies the Institute to the extent that he declares in an affidavit that he is a member of a religious organization, whose doctrine prevents him as a matter of conscience from making financial contributions to an employee organization and that he will make contributions to a charitable organization, registered pursuant to the *Income Tax Act*, equal to dues, shall not be subject to this Article. The Institute will inform the Employer accordingly.
- C1.05** No employee organization, as defined in Section 2 of the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*, other than the Institute, shall be permitted to have membership dues and/or other monies deducted by the Employer from the pay of employees in the bargaining unit.
- C1.06** The amounts deducted in accordance with clause C1.01 shall be remitted to the Institute within a reasonable period of time after deductions are made and shall be accompanied by particulars identifying each employee and the deductions made on the employee's behalf.
- C1.07** The Institute agrees to indemnify and save the Employer harmless against any claim or liability arising out of the application of this Article, except for any claim or liability arising out of an error committed by the Employer, in which case the liability shall be limited to the amount of the error.
- C1.08** When it is mutually acknowledged that an error has been committed, the Employer shall endeavour to correct such error within the two (2) pay periods following the acknowledgement of error.
- C1.09** Where an employee does not have sufficient earnings in respect of any month to permit deductions under this Article the Employer shall not be obligated to make such deductions

for that month from subsequent salary.

****ARTICLE C2
USE OF EMPLOYER FACILITIES**

**** C2.01 Access by an Institute Representative**

****** An accredited representative of the Institute may be permitted access to the Employer's premises on stated Institute business and to attend meetings called by management. Permission to enter the premises shall, in each case, be obtained from the Employer and shall not be unreasonably withheld.

C2.02 Bulletin Boards

Reasonable space on bulletin boards, including an electronic link from the CFIA Intranet page to the Institute Web Site, will be made available to the Bargaining Agent for the posting of official notices, in convenient locations determined by the Employer and the Institute. Notices or other material, including E-mail shall require the prior approval of the Employer, except notices relating to the business affairs of the Institute and social and recreational events. The Employer shall have the right to refuse the posting of any information which the Employer considers adverse to the Employer's interests or to the interests of any of the Employer's representatives.

C2.03 Institute Literature

The Employer will continue its practice of making available to the Institute a specific location on its premises for the storage and placement of a reasonable quantity of Institute files and literature.

**ARTICLE C3
INFORMATION**

C3.01 The Employer agrees to supply the Institute on a quarterly basis with a list of all employees in the bargaining unit. The list referred to herein shall include the name, geographical location, classification of the employee and shall be provided within one month following the termination of each quarter. As soon as practicable, the Employer agrees to add to the above list the date of appointment for new employees.

C3.02 The Employer agrees to provide each employee with access to an electronic copy of the Collective Agreement and any amendments thereto. Employees may use the Employer's equipment to print a copy or portion thereof.

ARTICLE C4 STEWARDS

- C4.01** The Employer acknowledges the right of the Institute to appoint Stewards from amongst the members of bargaining units for which the Institute is the certified Bargaining Agent.
- C4.02** The Employer and the Institute shall, by mutual agreement, determine the area of jurisdiction of each Steward, having regard to the plan of organization and the distribution of employees.
- C4.03** The Institute shall inform the Employer promptly and in writing of the names of its Stewards, their jurisdiction, and of any subsequent changes.
- C4.04** **Leave for Stewards**

Operational requirements permitting, the Employer shall grant leave with pay to an employee to enable such employee to carry out his functions as a Steward on the Employer's premises. When the discharge of these functions require an employee who is a Steward to leave such employee's normal place of work, the employee shall report his return to his supervisor whenever practicable.

ARTICLE C5 LEAVE FOR STAFF RELATIONS MATTERS

C5.01 **Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board Hearings**

Complaints made to the Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board (FPSLREB) Pursuant to Section 190(1) of the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act (FPSLRA)*.

Where operational requirements permit in cases of complaints made to the Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board pursuant to section 190(1) of the *FPSLRA* alleging a breach of sections 157, 186 (1) (a), 186 (1) (b), 186 (2) (a) (i), 186 (2) (b), 187, 188 (a) or 189 (1) of the *FPSLRA*, the Employer will grant leave with pay:

- (a) to an employee who makes a complaint on his own behalf before the Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board,
- and
- (b) to an employee who acts on behalf of an employee making a complaint, or who acts on behalf of the Institute making a complaint.

C5.02 **Applications for Certification, Representations and Interventions with Respect to Applications for Certification**

The Employer will grant leave without pay:

- (a) to an employee who represents the Institute in an application for

certification or in an intervention,

and

- (b) to an employee who makes personal representations with respect to a certification.

C5.03 Employee Called as a Witness

The Employer will grant leave with pay:

- (a) to an employee called as a witness by the Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board,

and
- (b) where operational requirements permit, to an employee called as a witness by an employee or the Institute.

C5.04 Arbitration Board and Public Interest Commission, Alternative Dispute Resolution Hearings

Where operational requirements permit, the Employer will grant leave with pay to an employee representing the Institute before an Arbitration Board, in an Alternative Dispute Resolution process, or Public Interest Commission proceedings; all of which are as defined in the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*.

C5.05 Employee Called as a Witness

Where operational requirements permit, the Employer will grant leave with pay to an employee called as a witness by an Arbitration Board, in an Alternative Dispute Resolution process, or Public Interest Commission proceedings; all of which are as defined in the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*.

C5.06 Adjudication

Where operational requirements permit, the Employer will grant leave with pay to an employee who is:

- (a) a party to an adjudication, or
- (b) the representative of an employee who is a party to an adjudication, or
- (c) a witness called by an employee who is party to an adjudication.

C5.07 Meetings During the Grievance Process:

Employee Presenting Grievance

Where operational requirements permit, the Employer will grant to an employee:

- (a) where the Employer originates a meeting with the employee who has

presented the grievance, leave with pay when the meeting is held in the headquarters area of such employee and on duty status when the meeting is held outside the headquarters area of such employee;

and

- (b) where an employee who has presented a grievance seeks to meet with the Employer, leave with pay to the employee when the meeting is held in the headquarters area of such employee and leave without pay when the meeting is held outside the headquarters area of such employee.

C5.08 Employee Who Acts as Representative

Where an employee wishes to represent at a meeting with the Employer, an employee who has presented a grievance, the Employer will, where operational requirements permit, grant leave with pay to the representative when the meeting is held in the headquarters area of such employee and leave without pay when the meeting is held outside the headquarters area of such employee.

C5.09 Grievance Investigations

Where an employee has asked or is obliged to be represented by the Institute in relation to the presentation of a grievance and an employee acting on behalf of the Institute wishes to discuss the grievance with that employee, the employee and the representative of the employee will, where operational requirements permit, be given reasonable leave with pay for this purpose when the discussion takes place in the headquarters area of such employee and leave without pay when it takes place outside the headquarters area of such employee.

C5.10 Contract Negotiations Meetings

The Employer will grant leave without pay to an employee for the purpose of attending contract negotiations meetings on behalf of the Institute.

C5.11 Preparatory Contract Negotiations Meetings

Where operational requirements permit, the Employer will grant leave without pay to an employee to attend preparatory contract negotiations meetings.

C5.12 Meetings Between the Institute and Management

Where operational requirements permit, the Employer will grant leave with pay to an employee to attend meetings with management on behalf of the Institute.

C5.13 Institute Meetings and Conventions

Where operational requirements permit, the Employer will grant leave without pay to an employee to attend meetings and conventions provided in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute.

C5.14 Stewards Training Courses

- (a) Where operational requirements permit, the Employer will grant leave without pay to employees appointed as Stewards by the Institute, to undertake training sponsored by the Institute related to the duties of a Steward.
- (b) Where operational requirements permit, the Employer will grant leave with pay to employees appointed as Stewards by the Institute, to attend training sessions concerning Employer-employee relations sponsored by the Employer.

**ARTICLE C6
CONTRACTING OUT**

- C6.01** The Employer will continue past practice in giving all reasonable consideration to continued employment in the Canadian Food Inspection Agency of employees who would otherwise become redundant because work is contracted out.

**ARTICLE C7
JOB SECURITY**

- C7.01** Subject to the willingness and capacity of individual employees to accept relocation and retraining, the Employer will make every reasonable effort to ensure that any reduction in the work force will be accomplished through attrition.

**ARTICLE C8
ILLEGAL STRIKES**

- C8.01** The *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act* provides penalties for engaging in illegal strikes. Disciplinary action may also be taken, which will include penalties up to and including discharge, for participation in an illegal strike as defined in the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*.

**ARTICLE C9
INTERPRETATION OF AGREEMENT**

- C9.01** The parties agree that, in the event of a dispute arising out of the interpretation of a clause or Article in this Agreement, it is desirable that the parties should meet within a reasonable time and seek to resolve the problem. This Article does not prevent employees from availing themselves of the grievance procedure provided in this Agreement.

****ARTICLE C10
GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

- C10.01** In cases of alleged misinterpretation or misapplication arising out of Agreements on items which may be included in a Collective Agreement and which the parties to this Agreement have endorsed, the grievance procedure will be in accordance with Article C10.

Informal Discussion

- C10.02** The parties recognize the value of informal discussion between employees and their supervisors to the end that problems might be resolved without recourse to a formal grievance. When an employee, within the time limits prescribed in clause C10.12, gives notice that such employee wishes to take advantage of this clause, it is agreed that the period between the initial discussion and the final response shall not count as elapsed time for the purpose of grievance time limits. This clause shall also apply where the Employer implements an Informal Conflict Management System.
- C10.03** The time limits stipulated in this procedure may be extended by mutual agreement between the Employer and the employee and, where appropriate, the Union representative.

Individual Grievances

- C10.04** Subject to and as provided in Section 208 of the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*, an employee who feels that he or she has been treated unjustly or considers himself or herself aggrieved by any action or lack of action by the Employer in matters other than those arising from the classification process is entitled to present a grievance in the manner prescribed in clause C10.07 except that:
- (a) where there is another administrative procedure provided by or under any *Act of Parliament* other than the *Human Rights Act* to deal with the employee's specific complaint, such procedure must be followed, and
 - (b) where the grievance relates to the interpretation or application of this Agreement or an arbitral award, the employee is not entitled to present the grievance unless he or she has the approval of and is represented by the Union.
- C10.05** Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, a grievance shall be processed by recourse to the following levels:
- (a) Level 1 - first (1st) level of management;
 - (b) Level 2 - intermediate level where such level has been established by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency;
 - (C) Final Level - President or President's authorized representative.
- C10.06** The Employer shall designate a representative at each level in the grievance procedure and shall inform each employee to whom the procedure applies of the name or title of the person so designated together with the name or title and address of the immediate supervisor or local officer-in-charge to whom a grievance is to be presented. This information shall be communicated to employees by means of notices posted by the Employer in places where such

notices are most likely to come to the attention of the employees to whom the grievance procedure applies, or otherwise as determined by agreement between the Employer and the Union.

- C10.07** An employee who wishes to present a grievance at a prescribed level in the grievance procedure shall transmit this grievance to his or her immediate supervisor or local officer-in-charge who shall forthwith:
- (a) forward the grievance to the representative of the Employer authorized to deal with grievances at the appropriate level;
 - and
 - (b) provide the employee with a receipt stating the date on which the grievance was received by him or her.
- C10.08** Where it is necessary to present a grievance by mail, the grievance shall be deemed to have been presented on the day on which it is postmarked and it shall be deemed to have been received by the Employer on the date it is delivered to the appropriate office of the Agency. Similarly the Employer shall be deemed to have delivered a reply at any level on the date on which the letter containing the reply is postmarked, but the time limit within which the grievor may present his or her grievance at the next higher level shall be calculated from the date on which the Employer's reply was delivered to the address shown on the grievance form.
- C10.09** A grievance of an employee shall not be deemed to be invalid by reason only that it is not in accordance with the form supplied by the Employer.
- ** C10.10** An employee may be assisted and/or represented by a representative of the Union when presenting a grievance at any level.
- C10.11** The Union shall have the right to consult with the Employer with respect to a grievance at each level of the grievance procedure. Where consultation is with the President, the President shall render the decision.
- C10.12** An employee may present a grievance to the First Level of the grievance procedure in the manner prescribed in clause C10.07 not later than the thirty-fifth (35th) calendar day after the date on which he or she is notified orally or in writing or on which he or she first becomes aware of the action or circumstances giving rise to the grievance.
- C10.13** The Employer shall normally reply to an employee's grievance, at any level in the grievance procedure, except the Final Level, within fifteen (15) calendar days after the date the grievance is presented at that level. Where such decision or settlement is not satisfactory to the employee, he or she may submit a grievance at the next higher level in the grievance procedure within fifteen (15) calendar days after that decision or settlement has been conveyed to him or her in writing.
- C10.14** If the Employer does not reply within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date that a grievance is presented at any level, except the Final Level, the employee

may, within the next fifteen (15) calendar days, submit the grievance at the next higher level of the grievance procedure.

- C10.15** The Employer shall normally reply to an employee's grievance at the Final Level of the grievance procedure within forty (40) calendar days after the grievance is presented at that level.
- C10.16** Where an employee has been represented by the Union in the presentation of his or her grievance, the Employer will provide the appropriate representative of the Union with a copy of the Employer's decision at each level of the grievance procedure at the same time that the Employer's decision is conveyed to the employee.
- C10.17** The decision given by the Employer at the Final Level in the grievance procedure shall be final and binding upon the employee unless the grievance is a class of grievance that may be referred to adjudication.
- C10.18** Where it appears that the nature of the grievance is such that a decision cannot be given below a particular level of authority, any or all the levels, except the Final Level may be eliminated by agreement of the Employer and the employee and, where applicable, the Union.
- C10.19** Where the Employer demotes or terminates an employee for cause pursuant to paragraph 12. (2) (c) or (d) of the *Financial Administration Act*, the grievance procedure set forth in this Agreement shall apply except that the grievance shall be presented at the Final Level only.
- C10.20** An employee may abandon a grievance by written notice to his or her immediate supervisor or officer-in-charge.
- C10.21** An employee who fails to present a grievance to the next higher level within the prescribed time limits shall be deemed to have abandoned the grievance, unless the employee was unable to comply with the prescribed time limits due to circumstances beyond his or her control.
- C10.22** No person who is employed in a managerial or confidential capacity shall seek by intimidation, by threat of dismissal or by any other kind of threat to cause an employee to abandon his or her grievance or refrain from exercising his or her right to present a grievance as provided in this Agreement.
- C10.23** Where an employee has presented a grievance up to and including the Final Level in the grievance procedure with respect to:
- (a) the interpretation or application in respect of him or her of a provision of this Agreement or a related arbitral award; or
 - (b) disciplinary action resulting in suspension or a financial penalty; or
 - (c) termination of employment or demotion pursuant to paragraph 12. (2) (c) or (d) of the *Financial Administration Act*;
- and the employee's grievance has not been dealt with to his or her satisfaction,

he or she may refer the grievance to adjudication in accordance with the provisions of the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act* and Regulations.

C10.24 Where a grievance that may be presented by an employee to adjudication is a grievance relating to the interpretation or application in respect of him or her of a provision of this Agreement or an arbitral award, the employee is not entitled to refer the grievance to adjudication unless the Union signifies in the prescribed manner:

- (a) its approval of the reference of the grievance to adjudication; and
- (b) its willingness to represent the employee in the adjudication proceedings.

C10.25 In cases of alleged misinterpretation or misapplication arising out of agreements concluded by the National Joint Council (NJC) of the Public Service on items which may be included in a collective agreement and which the parties to this Agreement have endorsed, the grievance procedure will be in accordance with Part 15 of the NJC By-Laws.

Expedited Adjudication

C10.26 The parties agree that any adjudicable grievance may be referred to the following expedited adjudication process:

- (a) at the request of either party, a grievance that has been referred to adjudication may be dealt with through Expedited Adjudication with the consent of both parties;
- (b) future cases may be identified for this process by either party, subject to the consent of the parties;
- (c) when the parties agree that a particular grievance will proceed through Expedited Adjudication, the Bargaining Agent will submit to the Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board (FPSLREB) the consent form signed by the grievor or the Bargaining Agent;
- (d) the parties may proceed with or without an Agreed Statement of Facts. When the parties arrive at an Agreed Statement of Facts, it will be submitted to the FPSLREB or to the Adjudicator at the hearing;
- (e) no witnesses will testify;
- (f) the Adjudicator will be appointed by the FPSLREB from among its members who have had at least three (3) years' experience as a member of the Board;
- (g) each Expedited Adjudication session will take place in Ottawa unless the parties and the FPSLREB otherwise agree. The cases will be scheduled jointly by the parties and the FPSLREB and will appear on the FPSLREB schedule;
- (h) the Adjudicator will make an oral determination at the hearing which will be

recorded and initialed by the representatives of the parties. This will be confirmed in a written determination to be issued by the Adjudicator within five (5) calendar days of the hearing. The parties may, at the request of the Adjudicator, vary the above conditions in a particular case; and

- (i) the Adjudicator's determination will be final and binding on all the parties, but will not constitute a precedent. The parties agree not to refer the determination to the Federal Court.

Group Grievance

- C10.27** (a) The Union may present to the Employer a group grievance on behalf of employees in the bargaining unit who feel aggrieved by the interpretation or application, common in respect of those employees, of a provision of a collective agreement or an arbitral award.
- (b) In order to present a group grievance, the Union must first obtain the written consent of each of the employees concerned.
- C10.28** The Union shall transmit the group grievance form to the appropriate person, as identified by the Employer, who shall on receipt of a group grievance:
- (a) deliver to the Union a receipt stating the date on which the group grievance was received; and
 - (b) forward the group grievance to the person whose decision constitutes the appropriate level of the group grievance process.
- C10.29** Subject to and as provided in the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*, the Bargaining Agent may present a group grievance in the manner set out in clause C10.28, except where:
- (a) there is another administrative procedure provided by, or under any *Act of Parliament*, to deal with his or her specific complaint such procedure must be followed, other than the *Canadian Human Rights Act*; or
 - (b) an employee has availed himself or herself of a complaint procedure established by a policy of the Employer if the policy expressly provides that an employee who avails himself or herself of the complaint procedure is precluded from participating in a group grievance, that employee may not be included in the group grievance.
- C10.30** There shall be no more than a maximum of three (3) steps in the group grievance procedure. The final step shall be the President, Canadian Food Inspection Agency or his delegated representative.
- C10.31** The Union may present the group grievance at the first step of the group grievance process no later than thirty-five (35) calendar days after the Union received notification of any act, omission or other matter giving rise to the group grievance.
- C10.32** The Union may present a group grievance at each succeeding step in the group

grievance procedure, beyond the first step either:

- (a) no later than fifteen (15) calendar days after the day on which the decision of the previous level was received; or
- (b) no later than forty (40) calendar days after the expiry of the period within which the decision was required if the Employer has not conveyed a decision to the Union within the time prescribed in clause C10.33.

C10.33 The Employer shall reply to the Union regarding a group grievance no later than twenty (20) calendar days after the day on which the group grievance was received by the person identified under clause C10.28.

C10.34 Where it appears that the nature of the grievance is such that a decision cannot be given below a particular step of authority, any or all the steps except the final step may be eliminated by agreement of the Employer and the Union.

C10.35 An employee in respect of whom a group grievance has been presented may, at any time, notify the Union that they no longer wish to be involved in the group grievance.

C10.36 The Union may refer to adjudication any group grievance that has been presented up to and including the Final Level in the grievance process and that has not been dealt with to its satisfaction.

Policy Grievance

C10.37 The policy grievance process shall consist of one (1) level.

C10.38 Both the Union and the Employer may present a policy grievance to the other in respect of the interpretation or application of the collective agreement as it relates to either of them or to the bargaining unit generally.

C10.39 Neither the Union nor the Employer may present a policy grievance in respect of which an administrative procedure for redress is provided under any *Act of Parliament*, other than the *Canadian Human Rights Act*:

- (a) despite section C10.39, neither the Employer nor the Bargaining Agent may present a policy grievance in respect of the right to equal pay for work of equal value.

C10.40 Both parties to this agreement shall identify the person authorized to receive a policy grievance, who on receipt of a policy grievance shall:

- (a) deliver a receipt to the other party stating the date on which the policy grievance was received; and
- (b) shall forward the policy grievance to the person whose decision constitutes the level of the policy grievance process.

C10.41 A policy grievance may be presented no later than thirty-five (35) calendar days after the earlier of the day on which notification was received and the day on

which there was knowledge of any act, omission or other matter giving rise to the policy grievance.

- C10.42** The person whose decision constitutes the level of the policy grievance process shall provide a decision to the other party no later than twenty (20) calendar days after the day on which the policy grievance was received by the person identified under clause C10.40.
- C10.43** A policy grievance may be withdrawn at any time.
- C10.44** A party that presents a policy grievance may refer it to adjudication, as provided under the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*.

ARTICLE C11 JOINT CONSULTATION

- C11.01** The parties acknowledge the mutual benefits to be derived from joint consultation and will consult on matters of common interest.
- C11.02** The subjects that may be determined as appropriate for joint consultation will be by mutual agreement of the parties and shall include consultation regarding career development. Consultation may be at the local, regional or national level as determined by the parties.
- C11.03** Wherever possible, the Employer shall consult with representatives of the Institute at the appropriate level about contemplated changes in conditions of employment or working conditions not governed by this Agreement.
- C11.04** **Joint Consultation Committee Meetings**
- The Consultation Committees shall be composed of mutually agreeable numbers of employees and Employer representatives who shall meet at mutually satisfactory times. Committee meetings shall normally be held on the Employer's premises during working hours.
- C11.05** Employees forming the continuing membership of the Consultation Committees shall be protected against any loss of normal pay by reason of attendance at such meetings with management, including reasonable travel time where applicable.
- C11.06** Joint Consultation Committees are prohibited from agreeing to items which would alter any provision of this collective agreement.

ARTICLE C12 STANDARDS OF DISCIPLINE

- C12.01** Where written agency standards of discipline are developed or amended, the Employer agrees to supply sufficient information on the standards of discipline to each employee and to the Institute.
- C12.02** Where an employee is required to attend a meeting on disciplinary matters the

employee is entitled to have a representative of the Institute attend the meeting when the representative is readily available.

- C12.03** The Employer agrees not to introduce as evidence in a hearing relating to disciplinary action any document concerning the conduct or performance of an employee the existence of which the employee was not aware at the time of filing or within a reasonable time thereafter.
- C12.04** Notice of disciplinary action which may have been placed on the personnel file of an employee shall be destroyed after two (2) years have elapsed since the disciplinary action was taken provided that no further disciplinary action has been recorded during this period.

ARTICLE C13 EMPLOYEES ON INDUSTRIAL PREMISES

- C13.01** Employees whose normal duties are performed on the premises of another Employer are prevented from performing their duties because of a strike or lock-out on the industrial Employer's premises, shall report the matter to the Employer and the Employer will consider measures designed to ensure that, so long as work is available, the employees affected are not denied regular pay and benefits to which they would normally be entitled.

PART D OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

****ARTICLE D1 PART-TIME EMPLOYEES**

D1.01 **Definition**

Part-time employee means a person whose normal scheduled hours of work are less than thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours per week, but not less than those prescribed in the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*.

D1.02 **General**

Part-time employees shall be entitled to the benefits provided under this Agreement in the same proportion as their normal scheduled weekly hours of work compared with the normal weekly hours of work of full-time employees unless otherwise specified in this Agreement.

- D1.03** Part-time employees shall be paid at the hourly rate of pay for all work performed up to seven decimal five (7.5) hours in a day or thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours in a week unless the employee is working other daily or weekly hours of work as prescribed pursuant to Article B1 – Hours of Work.

- D1.04** The days of rest provisions of this Collective Agreement apply only in a week when a part-time employee has worked five (5) days and a minimum of thirty-seven decimal five (37.5) hours in a week at the hourly rate of pay.

D1.05 Leave will only be provided:

- (a) during those periods in which employees are scheduled to perform their duties;
- or
- (b) where it may displace other leave as prescribed by this Agreement.

**** D1.06 Designated Holidays**

** A part-time employee shall not be paid for the designated holidays but shall, instead be paid a premium of four decimal six (4.6) percent for all straight-time hours worked during the period of part-time employment.

** (a) Should an additional day be proclaimed by an act of Parliament as a national holiday, as per paragraph B8.01(m), this premium will increase by zero decimal thirty-eight (0.38) percentage points.

** (b) The effective date of the percentage point increase will be within one hundred and eighty (180) days after the additional day is proclaimed by an act of Parliament as a national holiday, but not before the day on which the holiday is first observed.

* **D1.07** Subject to Article B4 – Overtime, when a part-time employee is required to work on a day which is prescribed as a designated paid holiday for a full-time employee in clause B8.01 of this Agreement, the employee shall be paid time decimal five (1.5) the hourly rate of pay for all hours worked on the holiday up to seven decimal five (7.5) hours and double time (2) thereafter. The provisions of clause B4.04 –Compensatory Leave do not apply.

D1.08 Overtime

"Overtime" means work required by the Employer, to be performed by the employee, in excess of those hours prescribed in clause D1.03 but does not include time worked on a holiday.

D1.09 Subject to Article B4 – Overtime, a part-time employee who is required to work overtime shall be paid at time decimal five (1.5) for all overtime hours worked.

**** D1.10 Reporting Pay**

** Subject to clause D1.04, when a part-time employee meets the requirements to receive reporting pay on a day of rest, in accordance with sub-clause B7.01(a) of this Collective Agreement, and is entitled to receive a minimum payment rather than pay for actual time worked, the part-time employee shall be paid a minimum payment of four (4) hours pay at the straight-time rate of pay.

* **D1.11 Vacation Leave**

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A part-time employee shall earn vacation leave credits for each month in which the employee receives pay for at least twice the number of hours in the employee's normal work week, at the rate for years of employment established in clause B12.02, prorated and calculated as follows:

- (a) when the entitlement is nine decimal three seven five (9.375) hours a month, zero decimal two five zero (0.250) multiplied by the number of hours in the employee's work week per month;
- (b) when the entitlement is twelve decimal five zero (12.50) hours a month, zero decimal three three three (0.333) multiplied by the number of hours in the employee's work week per month;
- (c) when the entitlement is thirteen decimal seven five (13.75) hours a month, zero decimal three six seven (0.367) multiplied by the number of hours in the employee's work week per month;
- (d) when the entitlement is fourteen decimal three seven five (14.375) hours a month, zero decimal three eight three (0.383) multiplied by the number of hours in the employee's work week per month;
- (e) when the entitlement is fifteen decimal six two five (15.625) hours a month, zero decimal four one seven (0.417) multiplied by the number of hours in the employee's work week per month;
- (f) when the entitlement is sixteen decimal eight seven five (16.875) hours a month, zero decimal four five zero (0.450) multiplied by the number of hours in the employee's work week per month;
- (g) when the entitlement is eighteen decimal seven five (18.75) hours a month, zero decimal five zero zero (0.500) multiplied by the number of hours in the employee's work week per month.

SEE APPENDIX "C" FOR VACATION CONVERSION TABLE

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D1.12 Sick Leave

A part-time employee shall earn sick leave credits at the rate of zero decimal two five (0.25) of the number of hours in an employee's normal work week for each calendar month in which the employee has received pay for at least twice the number of hours in the employee's normal work week.

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D1.13 Vacation and Sick Leave Administration

- (a) For the purposes of administration of clauses D1.11 and D1.12, where an employee does not work the same number of hours each week, the normal work week shall be the weekly average of the hours worked at the straight-time rate calculated on a monthly basis.
- (b) An employee whose employment in any month is a combination of both full-time and part-time employment shall not earn vacation or sick leave credits in excess of the entitlement of a full-time employee.

* **D1.14 Severance Pay**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Article B32 – Severance Pay, where the period of continuous employment in respect of which a severance benefit is to be paid consists of both full and part-time employment or varying levels of part-time employment, the benefit shall be calculated as follows: the period of continuous employment eligible for severance pay shall be established and the part-time portions shall be consolidated to equivalent full-time. The equivalent full-time period in years shall be multiplied by the full-time weekly pay rate for the appropriate group and level to produce the severance pay benefit.

- * **D1.15** The weekly rate of pay referred to in clause D1.14 shall be the weekly rate of pay to which the employee is entitled for the classification prescribed in such employee's certificate of appointment, immediately prior to the termination of such employee's employment.

****ARTICLE D2
EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND
EMPLOYEE FILES**

D2.01 For the purpose of this Article:

- (a) a formal assessment and/or appraisal of an employee's performance means any written assessment and/or appraisal by any supervisor of how well the employee has performed his assigned tasks during a specified period in the past;
- (b) formal assessment and/or appraisals of employee performance shall be recorded on a form prescribed by the Employer for this purpose.

D2.02 (a) When a formal assessment of an employee's performance is made, the employee concerned must be given an opportunity to sign the assessment form in question upon its completion to indicate that its contents have been read. An employee's signature on his assessment form shall be considered to be an indication only that its contents have been read and shall not indicate his concurrence with the statements contained on the form.

A copy of the employee's assessment form shall be provided to him at the time the assessment is signed by the employee. For the purpose of satisfying the Employer's obligation under this clause, the assessment form may be completed, signed, and provided electronically.

- (b) The Employer's representative(s) who assesses an employee's performance must have observed or been aware of the employee's performance for at least one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the period for which the employee's performance is evaluated.

D2.03 When an employee disagrees with the assessment and/or appraisal of his work, the employee shall have the right to present written counter arguments to the manager(s) or committee(s) responsible for the assessment and/or appraisal decision.

- ** D2.04** Upon written request of an employee, the personnel file of that employee shall be made available once per year for his examination in the presence of an authorized representative of the Employer. For the purpose of satisfying this clause, the information can be made available electronically.
- D2.05** When a report pertaining to an employee's performance or conduct is placed on that employee's personnel file, the employee concerned shall be given an opportunity to sign the report in question to indicate that its contents have been read.

ARTICLE D3 EMPLOYMENT REFERENCES

- D3.01** On application by an employee, the Employer shall provide personal references to the prospective Employer of such employee, indicating length of service, principal duties and responsibilities and performance of such duties. Personal references requested by a prospective Employer outside the Agency will not be provided without the written consent of the employee.

ARTICLE D4 SEXUAL HARASSMENT

- D4.01** The Institute and the Employer recognize the right of employees to work in an environment free from sexual harassment and agree that sexual harassment will not be tolerated in the work place.
- D4.02** (a) Any level in the grievance procedure shall be waived if a person hearing the grievance is the subject of the complaint.
- (b) If by reason of D4.02 (a) a level in the grievance procedure is waived, no other level shall be waived except by mutual agreement.
- D4.03** By mutual agreement, the parties may use a mediator in an attempt to settle a grievance dealing with sexual harassment. The selection of mediator will be by mutual agreement.
- D4.04** Upon request by the complainant(s) and/or respondent(s) an official copy of the investigation report shall be provided to them by the Employer, subject to the *Access to Information Act* and *Privacy Act*.

****ARTICLE D5 NO DISCRIMINATION**

- ** D5.01** There shall be no discrimination, interference, restriction, coercion, harassment, intimidation, or any disciplinary action exercised or practised with respect to an employee by reason of age, race, creed, colour, national or ethnic origin, religious affiliation, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family status, marital status, genetic characteristics, mental or physical disability, membership or activity in the Institute or conviction for an offence for which a

pardon has been granted or in respect of which a record suspension has been ordered.

- D5.02**
- (a) Any level in the grievance procedure shall be waived if a person hearing the grievance is the subject of the complaint.
 - (b) If by reason of D5.02 (a) a level in the grievance procedure is waived, no other level shall be waived except by mutual agreement.

PART E PAY AND DURATION

****ARTICLE E1 PAY**

E1.01 Except as provided in clauses E1.01 to E1.08 inclusive, and the Notes to Appendix "A" of this Agreement, the terms and conditions governing the application of pay to employees are not affected by this Agreement.

E1.02 An employee is entitled to be paid for services rendered at:

- (a) the pay specified in Appendix "A" for the classification of the position to which he is appointed, if the classification coincides with that prescribed in his certificate of appointment,

or
- (b) the pay specified in Appendix "A" for the classification prescribed in the employee's certificate of appointment, if that classification and the classification of the position to which such employee is appointed do not coincide.

E1.03 The rates of pay set forth in Appendix "A" shall become effective on the date specified therein.

E1.04 Only rates of pay and compensation for overtime and vacation leave credits which have been paid to an employee during the retroactive period will be recomputed and the difference between the amount paid on the old rates of pay and the amount payable on the new rates of pay will be paid to the employee.

**** E1.05 Pay Administration**

- * (a) When two or more of the following actions occur on the same date, namely appointment, pay increment, pay revision, the employee's rate of pay shall be calculated in the following sequence:
 - * (i) the employee shall receive his pay increment;
 - * (ii) the employee's rate of pay shall be revised;
 - * (iii) the employee's rate of pay on appointment shall be established in accordance with this Agreement.

- ** (b) Payments provided under the overtime, designated paid holiday, call-back, standby, and reporting pay provisions shall not be pyramided, that is, an employee shall not receive more than one compensation for the same service.

**** E1.06 Rates of Pay**

Where the rates of pay set forth in Appendix "A" have an effective date prior to the date of signing of this Agreement, the following shall apply:

- (a) "retroactive period" for the purpose of subparagraphs (b) to (e) means the period from the effective date of the revision up to and including the day before the collective agreement is signed or when an arbitral award is rendered therefore;
- (b) a retroactive upward revision in rates of pay shall apply to employees, former employees or in the case of death, the estates of former employees, who were employees in the bargaining unit during the retroactive period;
- (c) for initial appointments made during the retroactive period, the rate of pay selected in the revised rates of pay is the rate which is shown immediately below the rate of pay being received prior to the revision;
- ** (d) for promotions, demotions, transfers or acting situations effective during the retroactive period, the rate of pay shall be recalculated, in accordance with the Directive on Terms and Conditions of Employment Policy, using the revised rates of pay. If the recalculated rate of pay is less than the rate of pay the employee was previously receiving, the revised rate of pay shall be the rate, which is nearest to, but not less than the rate of pay being received prior to the revision. However, where the recalculated rate is at a lower step in the range, the new rate shall be the rate of pay shown immediately below the rate of pay being received prior to the revision;
- (e) no payment nor notification shall be made pursuant to sub-clause (b) for one dollar (\$1.00) or less.

E1.07 This Article is subject to the Memorandum of Understanding signed by the Treasury Board and the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada dated July 21, 1982 in respect of red-circled employees.

E1.08 Acting Pay

When an employee is required by the Employer to substantially perform the duties of a higher classification level on an acting basis for the required number of three (3) consecutive working days, such employee shall be paid acting pay calculated from the date on which he commenced to act as if such employee had been appointed to that higher classification level for the period in which such employee acts.

When a day designated as a paid holiday occurs during the qualifying period, the holiday shall be considered as a day worked for the purpose of the qualifying period.

E1.09 If, during the term of this Agreement a new classification standard for the group is established and implemented by the Employer, the Employer shall, before applying rates of pay to new levels resulting from the application of the standard, negotiate with the Institute the rates of pay and the rules affecting the pay of employees on their movement to the new levels.

**** ARTICLE E2
NATIONAL JOINT COUNCIL AGREEMENTS**

E2.01 Agreements concluded by the National Joint Council (NJC) of the Public Service on items which may be included in a collective agreement, and which the parties to this agreement have endorsed after December 6, 1978 and as amended from time to time will form part of this Collective Agreement, subject to the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act (FPSLRA)* and any legislation by Parliament that has been or may be, as the case may be, established pursuant to any Act specified in Section 113 of the *FPSLRA*.

**** E2.02** The NJC items which may be included in a collective agreement are those items which parties to the NJC agreements have designated as such or upon which the Chairman of the Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board has made a ruling pursuant to clause (c) of the NJC Memorandum of Understanding which became effective December 6, 1978 and as amended from time to time.

****** (a) The following directives, which the Institute has opted to take part in consultation, as amended from time to time by National Joint Council recommendation and which have been approved by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency form part of this collective agreement:

- Bilingualism Bonus Directive;
- Commuting Assistance Directive;
- First Aid to the General Public – Allowance for Employees;
- Foreign Service Directives;
- Isolated Posts and Government Housing Directive;
- NJC Relocation Directive;

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- Occupational Health and Safety Directive;
 - Public Service Health Care Plan Directive;
 - Travel Directive;
 - Uniforms Directive;

(b) During the term of this Collective Agreement, other directives may be added to the above list.

(c) Grievances in regard to the above NJC directives shall be filed in accordance with clause C10.25 of the grievance procedure in this Collective Agreement.

**ARTICLE E3
AGREEMENT RE-OPENER**

E3.01 This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent. If either party wishes to amend or vary this Agreement, it shall give to the other party notice of any amendment proposed and the parties shall meet and discuss such proposal not later than one (1) calendar month after receipt of such notice.

****ARTICLE E4
DURATION**

**** E4.01** The duration of this Collective Agreement shall be from the date it is signed to September 30, 2026.

E4.02 Unless otherwise expressly stipulated, the provisions of this Collective Agreement shall become effective on the date it is signed.

Signed at Ottawa, this 16th day of December, 2024.

Canadian Food Inspection Agency

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APPENDIX "A"

**CO - COMMERCE GROUP
(BUD 99526)**

**ANNUAL RATES OF PAY
(in dollars)**

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CO-DEV

From:	\$	30873	to	66189*/
To:	A	31954	to	68506*/
	X	32353	to	69362*/
	B	33324	to	71443*/
	Y	33491	to	71800*/
	C	34161	to	73236*/
	Z	34246	to	73419*/
	D	34931	to	74887*/

*(with intermediate steps of \$10)

CO-01

From:	\$	57421	60136	62841	65554	68259	70976	73687	76389	79488
To:	A	59431	62241	65040	67848	70648	73460	76266	79063	82270
	X	60174	63019	65853	68696	71531	74378	77219	80051	83298
	B	61979	64910	67829	70757	73677	76609	79536	82453	85797
	Y	62289	65235	68168	71111	74045	76992	79934	82865	86226
	C	63535	66540	69531	72533	75526	78532	81533	84522	87951
	Z	63694	66706	69705	72714	75715	78728	81737	84733	88171
	D	64968	68040	71099	74168	77229	80303	83372	86428	89934

CO-02

From:	\$	74852	78752	82649	86550	90443	94343	98237	102148	106039	110474
To:	A	77472	81508	85542	89579	93609	97645	101675	105723	109750	114341

X	78440	82527	86611	90699	94779	98866	102946	107045	111122	115770
B	80793	85003	89209	93420	97622	101832	106034	110256	114456	119243
Y	81197	85428	89655	93887	98110	102341	106564	110807	115028	119839
C	82821	87137	91448	95765	100072	104388	108695	113023	117329	122236
Z	83028	87355	91677	96004	100322	104649	108967	113306	117622	122542
D	84689	89102	93511	97924	102328	106742	111146	115572	119974	124993

CO-03

From:	\$	91743	96086	100422	104761	109099	113439	117519	122193
To:	A	94954	99449	103937	108428	112917	117409	121632	126470
	X	96141	100692	105236	109783	114328	118877	123152	128051
	B	99025	103713	108393	113076	117758	122443	126847	131893
	Y	99520	104232	108935	113641	118347	123055	127481	132552
	C	101510	106317	111114	115914	120714	125516	130031	135203
	Z	101764	106583	111392	116204	121016	125830	130356	135541
	D	103799	108715	113620	118528	123436	128347	132963	138252

CO-04

From:	\$	104739	109480	114176	118590	123012	127411	132464
To:	A	108405	113312	118172	122741	127317	131870	137100
	X	109760	114728	119649	124275	128908	133518	138814
	B	113053	118170	123238	128003	132775	137524	142978
	Y	113618	118761	123854	128643	133439	138212	143693
	C	115890	121136	126331	131216	136108	140976	146567
	Z	116180	121439	126647	131544	136448	141328	146933
	D	118504	123868	129180	134175	139177	144155	149872

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- b. Year 2 (2023) increases (i.e., "B" and "Y"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 increases plus a 3.00% economic increase and a 0.50% pay line adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 8.477% of October 1, 2021, rates.
- c. Year 3 (2024) increases (i.e., "C" and "Z"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 and year 2 increases plus a 2.00% economic increase and a 0.25% wage adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 10.924% of October 1, 2021, rates.

APPENDIX "A"

**EN-ENG- ENGINEERING AND LAND SURVEY GROUP
(BUD 99510)**

**ANNUAL RATES OF PAY
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EN-ENG-01

From:	\$	48158	to	57776*/	59922
To:	A	49844	to	59798*/	62019
	X	50467	to	60545*/	62794
	B	51981	to	62361*/	64678
	Y	52241	to	62673*/	65001
	C	53286	to	63926*/	66301
	Z	53419	to	64086*/	66467
	D	54487	to	65368*/	67796

*(with intermediate steps of \$10)

EN-ENG-02

From:	\$	60019	62529	65224	67730	70233	72851
To:	A	62120	64718	67507	70101	72691	75401
	X	62897	65527	68351	70977	73600	76344
	B	64784	67493	70402	73106	75808	78634
	Y	65108	67830	70754	73472	76187	79027
	C	66410	69187	72169	74941	77711	80608
	Z	66576	69360	72349	75128	77905	80810
	D	67908	70747	73796	76631	79463	82426

EN-ENG-03

From:	\$	72511	75561	78705	81835	84968	88103	94635
To:	A	75049	78206	81460	84699	87942	91187	97947
	X	75987	79184	82478	85758	89041	92327	99171
	B	78267	81560	84952	88331	91712	95097	102146
	Y	78658	81968	85377	88773	92171	95572	102657

C	80231	83607	87085	90548	94014	97483	104710
Z	80432	83816	87303	90774	94249	97727	104972
D	82041	85492	89049	92589	96134	99682	107071

EN-ENG-04

From:	\$	85138	88544	91943	95346	98754	102155	105240
To:	A	88118	91643	95161	98683	102210	105730	108923
	X	89219	92789	96351	99917	103488	107052	110285
	B	91896	95573	99242	102915	106593	110264	113594
	Y	92355	96051	99738	103430	107126	110815	114162
	C	94202	97972	101733	105499	109269	113031	116445
	Z	94438	98217	101987	105763	109542	113314	116736
	D	96327	100181	104027	107878	111733	115580	119071

EN-ENG-05

From:	\$	97682	101659	105616	109592	113563	117544	125044
To:	A	101101	105217	109313	113428	117538	121658	129421
	X	102365	106532	110679	114846	119007	123179	131039
	B	105436	109728	113999	118291	122577	126874	134970
	Y	105963	110277	114569	118882	123190	127508	135645
	C	108082	112483	116860	121260	125654	130058	138358
	Z	108352	112764	117152	121563	125968	130383	138704
	D	110519	115019	119495	123994	128487	132991	141478

EN-ENG-06

From:	\$	109376	113591	117806	122030	126256	130476	135326
To:	A	113204	117567	121929	126301	130675	135043	140062
	X	114619	119037	123453	127880	132308	136731	141813
	B	118058	122608	127157	131716	136277	140833	146067
	Y	118648	123221	127793	132375	136958	141537	146797
	C	121021	125685	130349	135023	139697	144368	149733
	Z	121324	125999	130675	135361	140046	144729	150107
	D	123750	128519	133289	138068	142847	147624	153109

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APPENDIX "A"

**ES - ECONOMICS, SOCIOLOGY AND STATISTICS GROUP
(BUD 99508)**

**ANNUAL RATES OF PAY
(in dollars)**

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ES-01

From:	\$	33347	to	61740	64035	64677
To:	A	34514	to	63901	66276	66941
	X	34945	to	64700	67104	67778
	B	35993	to	66641	69117	69811
	Y	36173	to	66974	69463	70160
	C	36896	to	68313	70852	71563
	Z	36988	to	68484	71029	71742
	D	37728	to	69854	72450	73177

ES-02

From:	\$	60863	62840	64540	66792	69279	71358
To:	A	62993	65039	66799	69130	71704	73856
	X	63780	65852	67634	69994	72600	74779
	B	65693	67828	69663	72094	74778	77022
	Y	66021	68167	70011	72454	75152	77407
	C	67341	69530	71411	73903	76655	78955
	Z	67509	69704	71590	74088	76847	79152
	D	68859	71098	73022	75570	78384	80735

ES-03

From:	\$	69525	72238	74927	77657	80383	83373	85873
To:	A	71958	74766	77549	80375	83196	86291	88879
	X	72857	75701	78518	81380	84236	87370	89990
	B	75043	77972	80874	83821	86763	89991	92690
	Y	75418	78362	81278	84240	87197	90441	93153
	C	76926	79929	82904	85925	88941	92250	95016
	Z	77118	80129	83111	86140	89163	92481	95254
	D	78660	81732	84773	87863	90946	94331	97159

ES-04

From:	\$	86480	89521	92567	95588	98293	102225
To:	A	89507	92654	95807	98934	101733	105803
	X	90626	93812	97005	100171	103005	107126
	B	93345	96626	99915	103176	106095	110340
	Y	93812	97109	100415	103692	106625	110892
	C	95688	99051	102423	105766	108758	113110
	Z	95927	99299	102679	106030	109030	113393
	D	97846	101285	104733	108151	111211	115661

ES-05

From:	\$	98155	101209	105034	108813	112861	116249
To:	A	101590	104751	108710	112621	116811	120318
	X	102860	106060	110069	114029	118271	121822
	B	105946	109242	113371	117450	121819	125477
	Y	106476	109788	113938	118037	122428	126104
	C	108606	111984	116217	120398	124877	128626
	Z	108878	112264	116508	120699	125189	128948
	D	111056	114509	118838	123113	127693	131527

ES-06

From:	\$	114398	118119	121700	126226	130012
To:	A	118402	122253	125960	130644	134562
	X	119882	123781	127535	132277	136244
	B	123478	127494	131361	136245	140331
	Y	124095	128131	132018	136926	141033
	C	126577	130694	134658	139665	143854
	Z	126893	131021	134995	140014	144214
	D	129431	133641	137695	142814	147098

ES-07

From:	\$	124495	128110	131730	135042	140444
To:	A	128852	132594	136341	139768	145360
	X	130463	134251	138045	141515	147177

B	134377	138279	142186	145760	151592
Y	135049	138970	142897	146489	152350
C	137750	141749	145755	149419	155397
Z	138094	142103	146119	149793	155785
D	140856	144945	149041	152789	158901

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- c. Year 3 (2024) increases (i.e., "C" and "Z"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 and year 2 increases plus a 2.00% economic increase and a 0.25% wage adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 10.924% of October 1, 2021, rates.

APPENDIX "A"

PG - PURCHASING AND SUPPLY GROUP
(BUD 99525)

ANNUAL RATES OF PAY
(in dollars)

- \$: Effective October 1, 2021**
- A: Effective October 1, 2022**
- X: Effective October 1, 2022**
- B: Effective October 1, 2023**
- Y: Effective October 1, 2023**
- C: Effective October 1, 2024**
- Z: Effective October 1, 2024**
- D: Effective October 1, 2025**

PG-01

From:	\$	35692	37990	40302	42604	44904	47193	49500
To:	A	36941	39320	41713	44095	46476	48845	51233
	X	37403	39812	42234	44646	47057	49456	51873
	B	38525	41006	43501	45985	48469	50940	53429
	Y	38718	41211	43719	46215	48711	51195	53696
	C	39492	42035	44593	47139	49685	52219	54770
	Z	39591	42140	44704	47257	49809	52350	54907
	D	40383	42983	45598	48202	50805	53397	56005

PG-01 (continued)

From:	\$	51797	54097	56405	58702	62067
To:	A	53610	55990	58379	60757	64239
	X	54280	56690	59109	61516	65042
	B	55908	58391	60882	63361	66993
	Y	56188	58683	61186	63678	67328
	C	57312	59857	62410	64952	68675
	Z	57455	60007	62566	65114	68847
	D	58604	61207	63817	66416	70224

PG-02

From:	\$	58984	61602	64226	66845	70668
To:	A	61048	63758	66474	69185	73141
	X	61811	64555	67305	70050	74055
	B	63665	66492	69324	72152	76277
	Y	63983	66824	69671	72513	76658
	C	65263	68160	71064	73963	78191

Z	65426	68330	71242	74148	78386
D	66735	69697	72667	75631	79954

PG-03

From:	\$	65639	68582	71506	74427	78691
To:	A	67936	70982	74009	77032	81445
	X	68785	71869	74934	77995	82463
	B	70849	74025	77182	80335	84937
	Y	71203	74395	77568	80737	85362
	C	72627	75883	79119	82352	87069
	Z	72809	76073	79317	82558	87287
	D	74265	77594	80903	84209	89033

PG-04

From:	\$	77500	80956	84423	88328	93413
To:	A	80213	83789	87378	91419	96682
	X	81216	84836	88470	92562	97891
	B	83652	87381	91124	95339	100828
	Y	84070	87818	91580	95816	101332
	C	85751	89574	93412	97732	103359
	Z	85965	89798	93646	97976	103617
	D	87684	91594	95519	99936	105689

PG-05

From:	\$	91199	95292	99383	103218	108091
To:	A	94391	98627	102861	106831	111874
	X	95571	99860	104147	108166	113272
	B	98438	102856	107271	111411	116670
	Y	98930	103370	107807	111968	117253
	C	100909	105437	109963	114207	119598
	Z	101161	105701	110238	114493	119897
	D	103184	107815	112443	116783	122295

PG-06

From:	\$	102877	104972	106907	108851	110795	112723	117730
To:	A	106478	108646	110649	112661	114673	116668	121851
	X	107809	110004	112032	114069	116106	118126	123374
	B	111043	113304	115393	117491	119589	121670	127075
	Y	111598	113871	115970	118078	120187	122278	127710
	C	113830	116148	118289	120440	122591	124724	130264
	Z	114115	116438	118585	120741	122897	125036	130590
	D	116397	118767	120957	123156	125355	127537	133202

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- a. Year 1 (2022) increases (i.e., "A" and "X"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to a 3.50% economic increase and a 1.25% wage adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 4.794% of October 1, 2021, rates.
- b. Year 2 (2023) increases (i.e., "B" and "Y"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 increases plus a 3.00% economic increase and a 0.50% pay line adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 8.477% of October 1, 2021, rates.
- c. Year 3 (2024) increases (i.e., "C" and "Z"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 and year 2 increases plus a 2.00% economic increase and a 0.25% wage adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 10.924% of October 1, 2021, rates.

APPENDIX "A"

**SE-RES - RESEARCH SCIENTIST GROUP
(BUD 99515)**

**ANNUAL RATES OF PAY
(in dollars)**

- \$: Effective October 1, 2021**
- A: Effective October 1, 2022**
- X: Effective October 1, 2022**
- B: Effective October 1, 2023**
- Y: Effective October 1, 2023**
- C: Effective October 1, 2024**
- Z: Effective October 1, 2024**
- D: Effective October 1, 2025**

SE-RES-01

From:	\$	59805	62949	66095	69245	72393	75535	78684	81759
To:	A	61898	65152	68408	71669	74927	78179	81438	84621
	X	62672	65966	69263	72565	75864	79156	82456	85679
	B	64552	67945	71341	74742	78140	81531	84930	88249
	Y	64875	68285	71698	75116	78531	81939	85355	88690
	C	66173	69651	73132	76618	80102	83578	87062	90464
	Z	66338	69825	73315	76810	80302	83787	87280	90690
	D	67665	71222	74781	78346	81908	85463	89026	92504

SE-RES-02

From:	\$	74256	78887	83503	88128	92750	97370	101993	106617	111238	115583
To:	A	76855	81648	86426	91212	95996	100778	105563	110349	115131	119628
	X	77816	82669	87506	92352	97196	102038	106883	111728	116570	121123
	B	80150	85149	90131	95123	100112	105099	110089	115080	120067	124757
	Y	80551	85575	90582	95599	100613	105624	110639	115655	120667	125381
	C	82162	87287	92394	97511	102625	107736	112852	117968	123080	127889
	Z	82367	87505	92625	97755	102882	108005	113134	118263	123388	128209
	D	84014	89255	94478	99710	104940	110165	115397	120628	125856	130773

SE-RES-03

From:	\$	93844	97546	101250	104950	108659	112365	116069	119768	123475	128256
To:	A	97129	100960	104794	108623	112462	116298	120131	123960	127797	132745
	X	98343	102222	106104	109981	113868	117752	121633	125510	129394	134404
	B	101293	105289	109287	113280	117284	121285	125282	129275	133276	138436
	Y	101799	105815	109833	113846	117870	121891	125908	129921	133942	139128
	C	103835	107931	112030	116123	120227	124329	128426	132519	136621	141911

Z	104095	108201	112310	116413	120528	124640	128747	132850	136963	142266
D	106177	110365	114556	118741	122939	127133	131322	135507	139702	145111

SE-RES-04

From:	\$	112385	116500	120610	124723	128838	132958	137057	142401
To:	A	116318	120578	124831	129088	133347	137612	141854	147385
	X	117772	122085	126391	130702	135014	139332	143627	149227
	B	121305	125748	130183	134623	139064	143512	147936	153704
	Y	121912	126377	130834	135296	139759	144230	148676	154473
	C	124350	128905	133451	138002	142554	147115	151650	157562
	Z	124661	129227	133785	138347	142910	147483	152029	157956
	D	127154	131812	136461	141114	145768	150433	155070	161115

SE-RES-05

From:	\$	123056	127566	132065	136567	141072	145572	150078	155883
To:	A	127363	132031	136687	141347	146010	150667	155331	161339
	X	128955	133681	138396	143114	147835	152550	157273	163356
	B	132824	137691	142548	147407	152270	157127	161991	168257
	Y	133488	138379	143261	148144	153031	157913	162801	169098
	C	136158	141147	146126	151107	156092	161071	166057	172480
	Z	136498	141500	146491	151485	156482	161474	166472	172911
	D	139228	144330	149421	154515	159612	164703	169801	176369

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- b. Year 2 (2023) increases (i.e., "B" and "Y"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 increases plus a 3.00% economic increase and a 0.50% pay line adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 8.477% of October 1, 2021, rates.
- c. Year 3 (2024) increases (i.e., "C" and "Z"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 and year 2 increases plus a 2.00% economic increase and a 0.25% wage adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 10.924% of October 1, 2021, rates.

APPENDIX "A"

**SE-REM - RESEARCH MANAGER GROUP
(BUD 99516)**

**ANNUAL RATES OF PAY
(in dollars)**

- \$: Effective October 1, 2021**
- A: Effective October 1, 2022**
- X: Effective October 1, 2022**
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SE-REM-01

From:	\$	96223	99943	103665	107389	111112	114831	118556	122274	126002	129405
To:	A	99591	103441	107293	111148	115001	118850	122705	126554	130412	133934
	X	100836	104734	108634	112537	116439	120336	124239	128136	132042	135608
	B	103861	107876	111893	115913	119932	123946	127966	131980	136003	139676
	Y	104380	108415	112452	116493	120532	124566	128606	132640	136683	140374
	C	106468	110583	114701	118823	122943	127057	131178	135293	139417	143181
	Z	106734	110859	114988	119120	123250	127375	131506	135631	139766	143539
	D	108869	113076	117288	121502	125715	129923	134136	138344	142561	146410

SE-REM-02

From:	\$	110952	114714	118476	122246	126002	129762	133527	137291	141048	144493
To:	A	114835	118729	122623	126525	130412	134304	138200	142096	145985	149550
	X	116270	120213	124156	128107	132042	135983	139928	143872	147810	151419
	B	119758	123819	127881	131950	136003	140062	144126	148188	152244	155962
	Y	120357	124438	128520	132610	136683	140762	144847	148929	153005	156742
	C	122764	126927	131090	135262	139417	143577	147744	151908	156065	159877
	Z	123071	127244	131418	135600	139766	143936	148113	152288	156455	160277
	D	125532	129789	134046	138312	142561	146815	151075	155334	159584	163483

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- b. Year 2 (2023) increases (i.e., "B" and "Y"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 increases plus a 3.00% economic increase and a 0.50% pay line adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 8.477% of October 1, 2021, rates.

- c. Year 3 (2024) increases (i.e., "C" and "Z"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 and year 2 increases plus a 2.00% economic increase and a 0.25% wage adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 10.924% of October 1, 2021, rates.

APPENDIX "A"

**SR - REGULATORY SCIENCE GROUP
(BUD 99600)**

**ANNUAL RATES OF PAY
(in dollars)**

- \$: Effective October 1, 2021**
- A: Effective October 1, 2022**
- X: Effective October 1, 2022**
- B: Effective October 1, 2023**
- Y: Effective October 1, 2023**
- C: Effective October 1, 2024**
- Z: Effective October 1, 2024**
- D: Effective October 1, 2025**

SR-01

From:	\$	60103	61321	63696	66069	68453	70829	73607	75519
To:	A	62207	63467	65925	68381	70849	73308	76183	78162
	X	62985	64260	66749	69236	71735	74224	77135	79139
	B	64875	66188	68751	71313	73887	76451	79449	81513
	Y	65199	66519	69095	71670	74256	76833	79846	81921
	C	66503	67849	70477	73103	75741	78370	81443	83559
	Z	66669	68019	70653	73286	75930	78566	81647	83768
	D	68002	69379	72066	74752	77449	80137	83280	85443

SR-02

From:	\$	67140	70017	72918	75796	78683	81574	84456	87024	89635
To:	A	69490	72468	75470	78449	81437	84429	87412	90070	92772
	X	70359	73374	76413	79430	82455	85484	88505	91196	93932
	B	72470	75575	78705	81813	84929	88049	91160	93932	96750
	Y	72832	75953	79099	82222	85354	88489	91616	94402	97234
	C	74289	77472	80681	83866	87061	90259	93448	96290	99179
	Z	74475	77666	80883	84076	87279	90485	93682	96531	99427
	D	75965	79219	82501	85758	89025	92295	95556	98462	101416

SR-03

From:	\$	83339	86811	90287	93753	96941	99817	104778	106319
To:	A	86256	89849	93447	97034	100334	103311	108445	110040
	X	87334	90972	94615	98247	101588	104602	109801	111416
	B	89954	93701	97453	101194	104636	107740	113095	114758
	Y	90404	94170	97940	101700	105159	108279	113660	115332
	C	92212	96053	99899	103734	107262	110445	115933	117639
	Z	92443	96293	100149	103993	107530	110721	116223	117933

	D	94292	98219	102152	106073	109681	112935	118547	120292
SR-04									
From:	\$	98216	101882	105536	109201	112546	115922	117290	121711
To:	A	101654	105448	109230	113023	116485	119979	121395	125971
	X	102925	106766	110595	114436	117941	121479	122912	127546
	B	106013	109969	113913	117869	121479	125123	126599	131372
	Y	106543	110519	114483	118458	122086	125749	127232	132029
	C	108674	112729	116773	120827	124528	128264	129777	134670
	Z	108946	113011	117065	121129	124839	128585	130101	135007
	D	111125	115271	119406	123552	127336	131157	132703	137707

SR-05

From:	\$	111727	115777	119692	123289	126883	129408	132837
To:	A	115637	119829	123881	127604	131324	133937	137486
	X	117082	121327	125430	129199	132966	135611	139205
	B	120594	124967	129193	133075	136955	139679	143381
	Y	121197	125592	129839	133740	137640	140377	144098
	C	123621	128104	132436	136415	140393	143185	146980
	Z	123930	128424	132767	136756	140744	143543	147347
	D	126409	130992	135422	139491	143559	146414	150294

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- b. Year 2 (2023) increases (i.e., "B" and "Y"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 increases plus a 3.00% economic increase and a 0.50% pay line adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 8.477% of October 1, 2021, rates.
- c. Year 3 (2024) increases (i.e., "C" and "Z"): paid as a retroactive lump sum payment equal to the year 1 and year 2 increases plus a 2.00% economic increase and a 0.25% wage adjustment, for a compounded total increase of 10.924% of October 1, 2021, rates.

****PAY NOTES**

**** Pay Notes 1 to 9 inclusive do not apply to employees classified in the SE group.**

(A) PAY INCREMENTS - GENERAL (See SPECIFIC notes for exceptions)

Pay Increments for Full-Time and Part-Time Employees

- (1) The pay increment period for all employees is twelve (12) months and a pay increment shall be to the next rate in the scale of rates.
- (2) The pay increment date for employees appointed to a position in the bargaining unit on promotion, demotion or from outside the Public Service on or after the date of signing of this agreement shall be the anniversary date of such appointment.
- (3) For employees appointed prior to the date of signing of this agreement, their anniversary date will be the date on which the employees received their last pay increment.

(B) PAY INCREMENTS - SPECIFIC: Employees paid in that part of a scale of rates identified by \$10 intermediate steps (ES-01, EN-ENG-01, and CO Developmental)

Pay Increments for Full-Time and Part-Time Employees

- (4) For all employees paid in that part of a scale of rates identified by \$10 intermediate steps, the pay increment period is six (6) months and a pay increment shall be four hundred dollars (\$400), or such higher amount that the Employer may determine, provided that the last rate in that part of the scale of rates identified by \$10 intermediate steps is not exceeded.
- (5) An increase from that part of a scale identified by \$10 intermediate steps to the first step in the fixed incremental part of the scale shall take place on the date on which the Employer certifies that the employee should be paid at that rate.
- (6) Every employee being paid in that part of a scale identified by \$10 intermediate steps will have his performance reviewed by the Employer within two (2) years of his appointment to that part of the scale with a view to ascertaining whether the employee should be paid at the first step in the fixed incremental part of the scale. On the basis of this review, the Employer will decide whether to certify that the employee should be paid at that point in time at the first step in that part of the scale. An employee who continues to be paid in that part of the scale identified by \$10 intermediate steps after the second anniversary of his appointment will have his performance reviewed at least annually thereafter.

**** (C) PAY ADJUSTMENTS**

- **** (7) Except in the case of employees being paid in that part of a scale of rates identified by \$10 intermediate steps, an employee shall, on the relevant effective date of adjustment to rates of pay, be paid in the "A", "X", "B", "Y", "C", "Z" or "D", scales of rates at the rate shown immediately below his former rate.
- **** (8) CO employees being paid in that part of a scale of rates identified by \$10 intermediate steps shall, on the relevant effective date of adjustment to rates of pay, be paid in the:

 - **** (a) "A" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 3.5% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (b) "X" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 1.25% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (c) "B" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 3% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (d) "Y" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 0.5% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (e) "C" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 2% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (f) "Z" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 0.25% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (g) "D" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 2% higher than his former rate of pay;
- **** (9) EN-ENG employees being paid in that part of a scale of rates identified by \$10 intermediate steps shall, on the relevant effective date of adjustment to rates of pay, be paid in the:

 - **** (a) "A" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 3.5% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (b) "X" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 1.25% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (c) "B" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 3% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (d) "Y" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 0.5% higher than his former rate of pay;
 - **** (e) "C" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 2% higher than his former rate of pay;

- ** (f) "Z" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 0.25% higher than his former rate of pay;
- ** (g) "D" scale of rates at a rate which is nearest to but not more than 2% higher than his former rate of pay;

Pay Notes 10 to 14 inclusive apply only to employees classified in the SE group.

(C) PAY INCREMENTS

Pay Increments for Full-Time and Part-Time Employees

- (10) The pay increment period for all employees is twelve (12) months and the pay increment date is April 1st. A pay increment shall be to the next higher rate in the scale of rates.
 - (11) (a) Notwithstanding Pay Note 10 an employee who is initially appointed from outside the Public Service or is promoted into the Scientific Research classification or promoted between the RES and REM classifications shall be considered for a first pay increment on the first (1st) of April immediately following the employee's date of appointment, provided:
 - (i) the employee's appointment date was on or before the preceding October 1st,
 - and
 - (ii) the employee has earned at least six (6) complete months' pay.
 - (b) Notwithstanding Pay Note 11 (a), an employee who is transferred to the Scientific Research classification shall be considered for a first pay increment on the first (1st) of April immediately following the employee's date of appointment, provided the employee did not receive an increment in his former classification since the preceding October 1st.
 - (c) If an employee does not meet the requirements in (a) or (b) above, the employee shall not be eligible for a first pay increment until the next following increment date of April 1st.
- (12) A complete month, for the purpose of this clause, is one in which the employee has earned at least ten (10) days' pay.

**** (E) PAY ADJUSTMENT**

- **** (13) An employee shall, on the relevant effective date of adjustment to rates of pay, be paid in the "A", "X", "B", "Y", "C", "Z" or "D", scales of rates at the rate shown immediately below his former rate.

****LOWEST INCREMENT TABLE**

CO Group

	Oct. 1/22	Oct. 1/23	Oct. 1/24	Oct. 1/25
CO-01	2832	2931	2996	3056
CO-02	4077	4221	4316	4402
CO-03	4275	4426	4526	4616
CO-04	4610	4773	4880	4978

EN-ENG Group

	Oct. 1/22	Oct. 1/23	Oct. 1/24	Oct. 1/25
EN-ENG-02	2623	2715	2777	2832
EN-ENG-03	3197	3310	3384	3451
EN-ENG-04	3233	3347	3422	3491
EN-ENG-05	4147	4292	4388	4476
EN-ENG-06	4416	4572	4675	4769

ES Group

	Oct. 1/22	Oct. 1/23	Oct. 1/24	Oct. 1/25
ES-02	1782	1844	1886	1924
ES-03	2620	2712	2773	2828
ES-04	2834	2933	3000	3060
ES-05	3200	3312	3386	3453
ES-06	3754	3887	3974	4054
ES-07	3470	3592	3674	3748

PG Group

	Oct. 1/22	Oct. 1/23	Oct. 1/24	Oct. 1/25
PG-01	2399	2484	2541	2592
PG-02	2744	2841	2904	2962
PG-03	3061	3169	3241	3306
PG-04	3620	3748	3833	3910
PG-05	4019	4161	4255	4340
PG-06	2020	2091	2139	2182

SE Group

	Oct. 1/22	Oct. 1/23	Oct. 1/24	Oct. 1/25
SE-RES-01	3223	3335	3410	3478
SE-RES-02	4553	4714	4821	4917
SE-RES-03	3877	4013	4103	4185
SE-RES-04	4295	4446	4546	4637
SE-RES-05	4715	4882	4991	5091
SE-REM-01	3566	3691	3773	3849
SE-REM-02	3609	3737	3822	3899

SR Group

	Oct. 1/22	Oct. 1/23	Oct. 1/24	Oct. 1/25
SR-01	1275	1320	1350	1377
SR-02	2691	2786	2849	2906
SR-03	1615	1672	1710	1745
SR-04	1433	1483	1516	1546
SR-05	2645	2737	2799	2855

**** APPENDIX B**

Canadian Food Inspection Agency

Employment Transition

Scientific and Analytical (S&A) Group

General

Application

This Appendix applies to all indeterminate employees within the S&A Group bargaining unit represented by the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada for whom the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (hereinafter known as the Agency) is the Employer.

Collective Agreement

This Appendix is deemed to form part of this collective agreement between the parties and employees are to be afforded ready access to it.

Notwithstanding the Job Security Article of this collective agreement, in the event of conflict between the present Employment Transition Appendix and that article, the present Employment Transition Appendix will take precedence.

Effective Date

This Appendix is effective on the date of signing.

Policy

It is the policy of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) to maximize employment opportunities for indeterminate employees facing employment transition situations, primarily through ensuring that, wherever possible, alternative employment opportunities are provided to them. This should not be construed as the continuation of a specific position or job but rather as continued employment.

Reasons for the occurrence of employment transition situations include, but are not limited to, expenditure constraints, new legislation, program changes, reorganization, technological change, productivity improvement, elimination or reduction of programs or operations in one or more locations, relocation, and, decentralization. These situations may result in a lack of work or discontinuance of function.

Indeterminate employees whose services will no longer be required because of an employment transition situation and for whom the President knows or can predict employment availability will receive a guarantee of a reasonable job offer within the Agency. Those employees for whom the President cannot provide the guarantee will have access to the transitional employment Options as per Part VI.

Definitions

Accelerated lay-off (mise en disponibilité accélérée) - occurs when a surplus employee makes a request to the President, in writing, to be laid-off at an earlier date than that originally scheduled, and the President concurs. Lay-off entitlements begin on the actual date of lay-off.

- ** Affected employee** (personne salariée touchée) - is an indeterminate employee who has been informed in writing that their services may no longer be required because of an employment transition situation.

Agency (Agence) - means the Canadian Food Inspection Agency as defined in Schedule V of the *Financial Administration Act*, and the several positions in or under the jurisdiction of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency for which the Agency has the sole authority to appoint.

- ** Alternation** (échange de postes) - occurs when an opting employee (not a surplus employee) or a surplus employee having chosen Option 6.4.1(a) who wishes to remain in the Agency exchanges positions with a non-affected employee (the alternate) willing to leave the Agency with a Transition Support Measure (TSM) or with an Education Allowance.
- ** Education Allowance** (indemnité d'étude) - is one (1) of the Options provided to an indeterminate employee affected by an employment transition situation for whom the President cannot guarantee a reasonable job offer. The Education Allowance is a lump sum payment, equivalent to the TSM (see Annex A), plus a reimbursement of tuition from a recognized learning institution, and of book and relevant equipment costs, up to a maximum of seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000.00).

Employment Transition (transition en matière d'emploi) - is a situation that occurs when the President decides that the services of one or more indeterminate employees will no longer be required beyond a specified date because of a lack of work or the discontinuance of a function within the Agency. Such situations may arise for reasons including but not limited to those identified in the Policy section above.

- ** Guarantee of a reasonable job offer** (garantie d'une offre d'emploi raisonnable) - is a guarantee of an offer of indeterminate employment within the Agency provided by the President to an indeterminate employee who is affected by an employment transition situation. The President will be expected to provide a guarantee of a reasonable job offer to those affected employees for whom he/she knows or can predict employment availability within the Agency. Surplus employees in receipt of this guarantee will not have access to the Options available in Part VI of this Appendix.

Laid-off person (personne mise en disponibilité) - is a person who has been laid-off pursuant to section 13 of the *Canadian Food Inspection Agency Act* and who still retains a re-appointment priority in accordance with staffing and other related policies of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency.

Lay-off notice (avis de mise en disponibilité) - is a written notice of lay-off to be given to a surplus employee at least one (1) month before the scheduled lay-off date. This notice period is included in the surplus period.

Lay-off priority (priorité de mise en disponibilité) - a person who has been laid-off is entitled to a priority for appointment to a position in the Agency for which, in the opinion of the President, he/she is qualified. An appointment of an employee with this priority is excluded from the Agency Staffing Recourse Policy. This priority is accorded for one (1) year following the lay-off date.

**** Opting employee** (personne salariée optante) - is an indeterminate employee whose services will no longer be required as a result of an employment transition situation and who has not received a guarantee of a reasonable job offer from the President and who has one hundred and twenty (120) days to consider the Options of Part 6.4 of this Appendix.

Pay (rémunération) - has the same meaning as “rate of pay” in the employee’s collective agreement.

President (Président(e)) - has the same meaning as in the definition of “President” set out in section 6 of the *Canadian Food Inspection Agency Act*, and also means his or her official designate.

Priority administration system (système d’administration des priorités) - is a system designed by the Agency to facilitate appointments of individuals entitled to priority status as a result of the Appendix or other staffing and related policies of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency.

**** Reasonable job offer** (offre d’emploi raisonnable) - is an offer of indeterminate employment within the Agency, normally at an equivalent level but could include lower levels. Surplus employees must be both trainable and mobile. Where practicable, a reasonable job offer shall be within the employee’s headquarters as defined in the National Joint Council (NJC) Travel Directive.

Reinstatement priority (priorité de réintégration) - is an appointment priority accorded to certain individuals salary-protected under this Appendix for the purpose of assisting such persons to re-attain an appointment level equivalent to that from which they were declared surplus. An appointment of an employee with this priority is excluded from the Agency Staffing Recourse Policy.

Relocation (réinstallation) - is the authorized geographic move of a surplus employee or laid-off person from one place of duty to another place of duty, beyond what, according to local custom, is a normal commuting distance.

Relocation of work unit (réinstallation d’une unité de travail) - is the authorized move of a work unit of any size to a place of duty beyond what, according to local custom, is normal commuting distance from the former work location and from the employee’s current residence.

Retraining (recyclage) - is on-the-job training or other training intended to enable affected employees, surplus employees and laid-off persons to qualify for known or anticipated vacancies within the Agency.

**** Surplus employee** (personne salariée excédentaire) – is an indeterminate employee who has been provided a formal written notice declaring them surplus by the President.

**** Surplus priority** (priorité de personne salariée excédentaire) – is a priority for an appointment accorded to surplus employees to permit them to be appointed to other positions in the Agency. An appointment of an employee with this priority is excluded from the Agency Staffing Recourse Policy.

**** Surplus status** (statut de personne salariée excédentaire) - An indeterminate employee is in surplus status from the date they are declared surplus until the date of lay-off, until they are indeterminately appointed to another position, until their surplus status is rescinded, or until the employee resigns.

Transition Support Measure (mesure de soutien à la transition) - is one (1) of three (3) Options provided to an opting employee for whom the President cannot guarantee a reasonable job offer. The TSM is a lump sum payment based on the opting employee's years of service, as per Annex A. Years of service is the combined years of service in the public service, including years of service with the Agency.

Twelve (12)-month surplus priority period in which to secure a reasonable job offer (Priorité d'employé excédentaire d'une durée de douze (12) mois pour trouver une offre d'emploi raisonnable) - is one (1) of three (3) Options provided to an opting employee for whom the President cannot guarantee a reasonable job offer.

**** Work unit** (unité de travail) - is an identifiable group of employees that offers a particular service or program as defined by operational requirements determined by the Agency.

Enquiries

****** Enquiries about this Appendix should be referred to the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada, or to the Human Resources Advisor serving the employee's work site. Human Resources Advisors serving the employee's work site may, in turn, direct questions regarding the application of this Appendix to the Collective Bargaining and Labour Relations Directorate of the Human Resources Branch of the Agency.

Enquiries by employees pertaining to entitlements to a priority for appointment or to their status in relation to the priority appointment process should be directed to the Human Resources Advisor serving the employee's work site.

Part I

Roles and Responsibilities

1.1 Agency

1.1.1 Since indeterminate employees who are affected by employment transition situations are not themselves responsible for such situations, it is the responsibility of the Agency to ensure that they are treated equitably and, wherever possible, given every reasonable opportunity to continue their careers as Agency employees.

1.1.2 The Agency shall carry out effective human resource planning to minimize the impact of

employment transition situations on indeterminate employees and on the Agency.

1.1.3 The Agency shall:

- (a) establish joint Union/Management employment transition committees, where appropriate, to advise and consult on employment transition situations within the Agency, and
- (b) notify PIPSC of the responsible officers who will administer this Appendix.

Terms of reference of such committee shall include a process for addressing alternation requests.

1.1.4 The Agency shall cooperate to the extent possible with other Employers in its efforts to market surplus employees and laid-off persons.

1.1.5 The Agency shall establish systems to facilitate the appointment of the Agency's affected employees, surplus employees, and laid-off persons.

**** 1.1.6** When the President determines that the services of an employee are no longer required beyond a specified date due to an employment transition situation, the President shall provide the employee with a written notification to that effect. Such a communication shall also indicate if the employee:

- **** (a) is being provided a guarantee of a reasonable job offer from the President and that the employee will be in surplus status from that date on;
- or
- (b) is an opting employee and has access to the Options provided in section 6.4 of this Appendix as the employee is not in receipt of a guarantee of a reasonable job offer from the President.

Where applicable, written communication should also provide information relating to the employee's possible lay-off date.

**** 1.1.7** The President will be expected to provide a guarantee of a reasonable job offer to those employees subject to an employment transition situation for whom the President knows or can predict employment availability within the Agency.

1.1.8 Where the President cannot provide a guarantee of a reasonable job offer, the President will provide one hundred and twenty (120) days to opting employees to consider the three (3) Options outlined in Part VI of this Appendix before a decision is required of them. If the opting employee fails to select an Option no later than the one hundred and twentieth (120th) day, the employee will be deemed to have selected Option 6.4.1(a); that is, the Twelve-month surplus priority period in which to secure a reasonable job offer.

1.1.9 The President shall make a determination to either provide a guarantee of a reasonable job offer or access to the Options set out in 6.4 of this Appendix, upon request of any indeterminate affected employee who can demonstrate that

their duties have already ceased to exist.

- 1.1.10** The Agency shall advise and consult with the Bargaining Agent representatives as completely as possible regarding any employment transition situation as soon as possible after the decision has been made and throughout the process. The Agency will make available to the Bargaining Agent the name and work location of affected employees.
- 1.1.11** A recommendation will be provided to the President when an employee is not considered suitable for appointment. The Agency shall advise the employee and his/her Bargaining Agent of that recommendation. The Agency shall provide to the employee a copy of the written recommendation provided to the President, indicating the reasons for the recommendation together with any enclosures. The Agency shall also advise the employee that he/she may make oral or written submissions about the matter to the President prior to a decision being taken. Where the President does not accept the recommendation, he/she shall provide the surplus period required under this Appendix, beginning on the date the employee is advised of the decision.
- 1.1.12** The President shall decide whether employees are suitable for appointment. Where the President decides that an employee is not suitable, he/she shall advise the employee, and his/her representative of the decision as to whether the employee is entitled to a surplus and lay-off priority. The President shall also inform the Bargaining Agent of this decision.
- 1.1.13** The Agency shall provide an employee with a copy of this Appendix simultaneous with the official notification to an employee to whom this Appendix applies that he or she has become subject to an employment transition situation.
- 1.1.14** The Agency is responsible for counselling and advising their affected employees on their opportunities of finding continuing employment within the Agency.
- 1.1.15** The Agency shall apply this Appendix so as to keep actual involuntary lay-offs to a minimum.
- 1.1.16** Appointment of surplus employees to alternative positions, whether with or without retraining, shall normally be at a level equivalent to that previously held by the employee, but this does not preclude appointment to a lower level. The Agency shall avoid appointment to a lower level except where all other avenues have been exhausted.
- 1.1.17** The Agency shall appoint as many of their own surplus employees or laid-off persons as possible, or identify alternative positions (both actual and anticipated) for which individuals can be retrained.
- 1.1.18** Relocation of surplus employees or laid-off persons shall be undertaken to enable their appointment to an alternate position, providing that:
- (a) there are no available priority persons, who are qualified and interested in the position being filled;

or

(b) there are no available local surplus employees or laid-off persons who are interested and who could qualify with retraining.

- ** 1.1.19** The cost of traveling to interviews for possible appointments within the Agency and of relocation to a new location shall be borne by the Agency. Such costs shall be consistent with the NJC Travel and Relocation Directives, as amended from time to time.
- ** 1.1.20** For the purposes of the NJC Relocation Directive, surplus employees and laid-off persons who relocate under this Appendix shall be deemed to be employees on Employer-requested relocations. The general rule on minimum distances for relocation applies.
- ** 1.1.21** For the purposes of the NJC Travel Directive, laid-off persons travelling to interviews for possible appointment within the Agency are deemed to be "other persons travelling on Agency business".
- 1.1.22** The Agency shall protect the indeterminate status and surplus priority of a surplus indeterminate employee appointed to a term position under this Appendix.
- 1.1.23** The Agency shall review the use of private temporary personnel, and their use of contracted out services, employees appointed for a specified period (terms) and all other non-indeterminate employees. Where practicable, the Agency shall not engage or re-engage such temporary personnel nor renew the employment of such employees referred to above where such action would facilitate the appointment of surplus employees or laid-off persons.
- 1.1.24** Nothing in this Appendix shall restrict the Employer's right to engage or appoint persons to meet short-term, non-recurring requirements.
- 1.1.25** The President may authorize the accelerated lay-off of an employee at a date earlier than originally scheduled when a surplus employee makes such a request in writing.
- 1.1.26** The Agency shall provide surplus employees with a lay-off notice at least one (1) month before the proposed lay-off date, if appointment efforts have been unsuccessful. Such notice shall be sent to the President of PIPSC.
- 1.1.27** When a surplus employee refuses a reasonable job offer, they shall be subject to lay-off one (1) month following the refusal, but not before six (6) months after the surplus declaration date.
- 1.1.28** The Agency will presume that each employee wishes to be appointed to an alternative position unless the employee indicates the contrary in writing.
- ** 1.1.29** The Agency shall inform and counsel affected and surplus employees as early and as completely as possible and shall, in addition, assign a counsellor to each opting and surplus employee and laid-off person to work with them throughout

the process. Such counselling is to include explanations and assistance concerning such issues as the following

- (a) the employment transition situation and its effect on that individual;
- (b) the employment transition Appendix;
- ** (c) the Agency's Priority Administration System and how it works from the individual's perspective (referrals, interviews or boards, feedback to the employee, follow-up by the Agency, how the employee can obtain job information and prepare for an interview, etc.);
- (d) preparation of a curriculum vitae or resumé;
- ** (e) the individual's rights and obligations;
- ** (f) the individual's current situation (e.g. pay, benefits such as severance pay and superannuation, classification, language rights, years of service);
- ** (g) alternatives or opportunities that might be available to the individual (the alternation process, appointment, relocation, retraining, lower-level employment, term employment, retirement including possibility of waiver of penalty if entitled to an annual allowance, TSM, Education Allowance, pay in lieu of unfulfilled surplus period, resignation, accelerated lay-off);
- (h) the meaning of a "guarantee of reasonable job offer", a "Twelve-month surplus priority period in which to secure a reasonable job offer", a "TSM", and "Education Allowance";
- (i) repeat counselling as long as the individual is entitled to a staffing priority and has not been appointed;
- ** (j) the Human Resources Centres and their services (including a recommendation that the individual register with the nearest office as soon as possible);
- (k) preparation for interviews with prospective Employers;
- ** (l) advising the individual that refusal of a reasonable job offer will jeopardize both chances for retraining and overall employment continuity;
- ** (m) the options for individuals not in receipt of a guarantee of a reasonable job offer, the one hundred and twenty (120) day consideration period that includes access to the alternation process;
- ** (n) advise individuals to seek out proposed alternations and submit requests for approval as soon as possible after being informed they will not be receiving a guarantee of a reasonable job offer;

- ** (o) advising individuals of the right to be represented by the Institute in the application of this Appendix; and
- ** (p) the Employee and Family Assistance Program.
- 1.1.30** The Agency shall ensure that, when it is required to facilitate appointment, a retraining plan is prepared and agreed to in writing by the employee and the appropriate manager.
- 1.1.31** Any surplus employee who resigns under this Appendix shall be deemed, for the purposes of severance pay and retroactive remuneration, to be involuntarily laid-off on the day the President accepts the employee's resignation in writing.
- 1.1.32** Severance pay and other benefits flowing from other clauses in collective agreements are separate from, and in addition to, those in this Appendix.
- 1.1.33** The Agency shall establish and modify staffing policies and procedures to ensure the most effective and efficient means of maximizing the appointment of surplus employees and laid-off persons.
- 1.1.34** The President shall temporarily restrict or suspend any authority delegated to managers to make appointments in specified occupational groups when the President determines such action is necessary.
- 1.1.35** The Agency shall actively market surplus employees and laid-off persons to all appropriate managers unless the individuals have advised the President in writing that they are not available for appointment.
- 1.1.36** The Agency shall determine, to the extent possible, the occupations for which there are skill shortages for which surplus employees or laid-off persons could be retrained.
- 1.1.37** The Agency shall provide information directly to the Bargaining Agent on the numbers and status of their members who are in the Agency Priority Administration System, through reports to the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada.
- 1.1.38** The Agency shall, wherever possible, ensure that reinstatement priority is given to all employees who are subject to salary protection as a result of action taken pursuant to this Appendix.
- 1.1.39** (a) For the priority period, in cases where an offer of indeterminate employment is provided to a surplus or laid-off employee by a cooperating Employer (paragraph 1.1.4), the payment of salary costs and other authorized costs such as tuition, travel, relocation and retraining for surplus employees and laid-off persons, as provided for in the various collective agreements and directives; all authorized costs of termination; and salary protection upon lower level appointment shall be regulated by the relevant cooperating Employer agreement in effect between the Agency and a cooperating Employer.

- (b) The relevant agreement establishing the cooperating Employer relationship between the Agency and a cooperating Employer will apply to the payment of the costs listed in 1.1.39 (a) in situations where a surplus employee is appointed by a cooperating Employer to a term position and the cooperating Employer will become the official Employer no later than one (1) year from the date of such an appointment.

1.1.40 The Agency is responsible for making the appropriate referrals and may recommend retraining where it would facilitate appointment.

1.1.41 The Agency shall inform, in a routine and timely manner, a surplus employee or laid-off person, and a representative of his or her Bargaining Agent, when he or she has been referred for consideration but will not be offered the position. The Agency shall include full details of why he or she will not be appointed to or retrained for that position.

1.2 Employees

1.2.1 Employees have the right to be represented by their Bargaining Agent in the application of this Appendix.

1.2.2 Employees who are directly affected by employment transition situations and who receive a guarantee of a reasonable job offer, or who opt, or are deemed to have opted, for Option 6.4.1 (a) of Part VI of this Appendix are responsible for:

- (a) actively seeking alternative employment in co-operation with the Agency, unless they have advised the Agency, in writing, that they are not available for appointment either at all or subject to limitations detailed in the employee's response;
- (b) seeking information regarding their entitlements and obligations;
- (c) providing accurate and current information to the Agency, in a timely fashion, to assist in appointment activities (including curriculum vitae or resumés);
- (d) ensuring that they can be easily contacted by the Agency;
- (e) ensuring they attend appointments related to referrals;
- (f) seriously considering employment opportunities within the Agency presented to them including but not limited to retraining and relocation possibilities, specified period appointments and lower-level appointments.

1.2.3 Opting employees are responsible for:

- (a) considering the Options outlined in Part VI of this Appendix;
- (b) communicating their choice of Options, in writing, to their manager no later than one hundred and twenty (120) days after being declared opting; and

- (c) submitting an alternation request to management before the close of the one hundred and twenty (120) day period, if arranging an alternation with an unaffected employee.

Part II

Official Notification

- 2.1** In any employment transition situation which is likely to involve ten (10) or more indeterminate employees covered by this Appendix, the President shall inform, in writing and in confidence, the President of the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada or their delegate not less than four (4) working days before any employment transition situation is announced. This information is to include the identity and location of the work unit(s) involved; the expected date of the announcement; the anticipated timing of the situation; and the numbers of employees, by group and level, who will be affected.

**** Part III**

**** Relocation of a work unit**

3.1 General

- 3.1.1** In cases where a work unit is to be relocated, the Agency shall provide all employees whose positions are to be relocated with the opportunity to choose whether they wish to move with the position or be treated as if they were subject to an employment transition situation.

- 3.1.2** Following written notification, employees must indicate, within a period of three (3) months, their intention to move. If the employee's intention is not to move with the relocated position, the President can either provide the employee with a guarantee of a reasonable job offer or access to the Options set out in section 6.4 of this Appendix.

- 3.1.3** Employees relocating with their work units shall be treated in accordance with the provisions of 1.1.18 to 1.1.20.

- ** 3.1.4** Although the Agency will endeavour to respect employee location preferences, the President may consider offering the relocated position to employees in receipt of a guarantee of a reasonable job offer, after having spent as much time as operations permit looking for a reasonable job offer in the employee's location preference area.

- 3.1.5** Employees who are not in receipt of a guarantee of a reasonable job offer shall become opting employees and have access to the Options set out in Part VI of this Appendix.

**** Part IV**

Retraining

4.1 General

4.1.1 To facilitate the appointment of affected employees, surplus employees and laid-off persons, the Agency shall make every reasonable effort to retrain such persons for:

- (a) existing vacancies,
- or
- (b) anticipated vacancies identified by management.

4.1.2 The Agency shall be responsible for identifying situations where retraining can facilitate the appointment of surplus employees and laid-off persons; however, this does not preclude the employee's obligation to assist in their own marketing and the identification of employment options including but not limited to retraining possibilities.

4.1.3 Subject to the provisions of 4.1.2, the President shall approve up to two (2) years of retraining.

**** 4.2 Surplus employees**

4.2.1 A surplus employee is eligible for retraining providing:

- (a) retraining is needed to facilitate the appointment of the individual to a specific vacant position or will enable the individual to qualify for anticipated vacancies in occupations or locations where there is a shortage of qualified candidates;
- and
- (b) there are no other available priority persons who qualify for the position.

**** 4.2.2** The Agency is responsible for ensuring that an appropriate retraining plan is prepared and is agreed to in writing by the employee and the appropriate manager. The Agency is responsible for informing the employee in a timely fashion if a retraining proposal submitted by the employee is not approved. Upon request of the employee, feedback regarding the decision will be provided in writing.

**** 4.2.3** Once a retraining plan has been initiated, its continuation and completion are subject to the ongoing successful performance by the employee at a learning institution or ongoing satisfactory performance if the training is "on-the-job". The Agency will provide the employee with feedback in writing on the progress of the retraining plan on a regular basis.

4.2.4 While on retraining, a surplus employee continues to be employed by the

Agency and is entitled to be paid in accordance with their current appointment.

4.2.5 When a retraining plan has been approved, the proposed lay-off date shall be extended to the end of the retraining period, subject to 4.2.3.

4.2.6 An employee, unsuccessful in retraining, may be laid-off at the end of the surplus period, provided that the Employer has been unsuccessful in making the employee a reasonable job offer.

4.3 Laid-off persons

4.3.1 Subject to the President's approval, a laid-off person shall be offered retraining, providing:

- (a) retraining is needed to facilitate the appointment of the individual to a specific vacant position;
- (b) the individual meets the minimum requirements for appointment to the group concerned;
- (c) there are no other available persons with a priority who qualify for the position;
and
- (d) the Agency cannot justify a decision not to retrain the individual.

4.3.2 When an individual is made an offer conditional on the successful completion of retraining, a retraining plan reviewed by the President shall be included in the letter of conditional offer. If the individual accepts the conditional offer, upon successful completion of retraining, they will be appointed on an indeterminate basis to that position. When an individual accepts an appointment to a position with a lower maximum rate of pay than the position from which they were laid-off, the employee will be salary protected in accordance with Part V.

**** Part V**

Salary Protection

5.1 Lower-level position

**** 5.1.1** Surplus employees and laid-off persons appointed to a lower-level position under this Appendix shall have their salary and pay equity equalization payments, if any, protected in accordance with the salary protection provisions of this collective agreement, or, in the absence of such provisions, the appropriate provisions of the Directive on Terms and Conditions of Employment.

5.1.2 Employees whose salary is protected pursuant to section 5.1.1 will continue to benefit from salary protection until such time as they are appointed into a position with a maximum rate of pay that is equal to or higher than the maximum rate of pay of the position from which they were declared surplus or laid-off.

**** Part VI**

**** Options for employees**

6.1 General

6.1.1 The President will be expected to provide a guarantee of a reasonable job offer to those affected employees for whom they know or can predict employment availability. Employees in receipt of this guarantee would not have access to the choice of Options below.

6.1.2 Employees who are not in receipt of a guarantee of a reasonable job offer from the President have one hundred and twenty (120) days from the date they receive written notice that they are an opting employee to consider and decide among the three Options below; and

The employee may also participate in the alternation process in accordance with section 6.3 of this Appendix within the one hundred and twenty (120) day window before a decision is required of them in 6.1.3.

6.1.3 The opting employee must choose, in writing, one (1) of the three (3) Options of section 6.4 of this Appendix within the one hundred and twenty (120) day opting period. The employee cannot change Options once having made a written choice. The Agency shall send a copy of the employee's choice to the President of PIPSC.

6.1.4 If the employee fails to select an Option within the one hundred and twenty (120) day window as specified in paragraph 6.1.2, the employee will be deemed to have selected Option 6.4.1 (a), the Twelve-month surplus priority period in which to secure a reasonable job offer.

6.1.5 If a reasonable job offer which does not require a relocation is made at any time during the one hundred and twenty (120) day opting period and prior to the written acceptance of either the Twelve-month surplus priority period, the TSM, or the Education Allowance Option, the employee becomes ineligible for the TSM, the pay in lieu of unfulfilled surplus period or the Education Allowance.

**** 6.1.6** A copy of any letter issued by the Employer under this part or notice of lay-off pursuant to the *Canadian Food Inspection Agency Act* shall be sent forthwith to the President of PIPSC.

**** 6.2 Voluntary Departure Program**

The Voluntary Departure Program supports employees in leaving the public service when placed in affected status prior to entering an Assessment and Selection of Employees for Retention process, and does not apply if the President can provide a guarantee of a reasonable job offer (GRJO) to affected employees in the work unit.

6.2.1 The Agency shall establish internal voluntary departure programs for all employment transition situations in which the workforce will be reduced and that

involves five (5) or more affected employees working at the same group and level within the same work unit and where the President cannot provide a guarantee of a reasonable job offer.

6.2.2 When such voluntary programs are established, employees who volunteer and who are selected for employment transition will be made opting employees.

6.2.3 When the number of volunteers is larger than the required number of positions to be eliminated, volunteers will be selected based on seniority (total years of service in the public service, whether continuous or discontinuous).

**** 6.3 Alternation**

6.3.1 The Agency will participate in an alternation process.

**** 6.3.2** An alternation occurs when an opting employee or a surplus employee having chosen Option 6.4.1 (a) who wishes to remain in the Agency exchanges positions with a non-affected employee (the alternate) willing to leave the Agency under the terms of paragraph 6.4.1 (b) or (c) in Part VI of this Appendix.

6.3.3 (a) Only opting and surplus employees who are surplus as a result of having chosen Option 6.4.1 (a) may alternate into an indeterminate position that remains in the Agency.

(b) If an alternation is proposed for a surplus employee, as opposed to an opting employee, the TSM that is available to the alternate under 6.4.1(b) or 6.4.1(c)(i) shall be reduced by one (1) week for each completed week between the beginning of the employee's surplus priority period and the date the alternation is proposed.

**** 6.3.4** An indeterminate employee wishing to leave the Agency may express an interest in alternating with an opting employee or a surplus employee who is surplus as a result of having chosen Option 6.4.1 (a). Management will decide, however, whether a proposed alternation will result in retaining the skills required to meet the ongoing needs of the position and the Agency.

6.3.5 An alternation must permanently eliminate a function or a position.

**** 6.3.6** The opting employee or surplus employee having chosen Option 6.4.1 (a) moving into the unaffected position must be, to the degree determined by the Employer, able to meet the requirements of the position, including language requirements. The alternate moving into the opting position must meet the requirements of the position, except if the alternate will not be performing the duties of the position and the alternate will be struck off strength within five (5) days of the alternation.

6.3.7 An alternation should normally occur between employees at the same group and level. When the two positions are not the same group and level, alternation can still occur when the positions can be considered equivalent. They are considered equivalent when the maximum rate of pay for the higher paid position is no more than six percent (6%) higher than the maximum rate of pay for the lower paid position.

6.3.8 An alternation must occur on a given date. The two (2) employees involved directly exchange positions on that given date. There is no provision in alternation for a “domino” effect or for “future considerations”.

For clarity, the alternation of positions shall take place on a given date after approval but may take place after the opting one hundred and twenty (120) day period, such as when the processing of the approved alternation is delayed due to administrative requirements.

**** 6.3.9** If an alternation is denied, a meeting to discuss the rationale for the decision will be held at the employee’s request. The bargaining agent representative may attend the meeting.

**** 6.4 Options**

**** 6.4.1** Only opting employees will have access to the choice of Options below:

- (a) (i) Twelve-month surplus priority period in which to secure a reasonable job offer is time-limited. Should a reasonable job offer not be made within a period of twelve (12) months, the employee will be laid-off. Employees who choose or are deemed to have chosen this Option are surplus employees.
- (ii) At the request of the employee, this Twelve-month surplus priority period shall be extended by the unused portion of the one hundred and twenty (120) day opting period referred to in 6.1.2 which remains once the employee has selected in writing Option 6.4.1 (a).
- (iii) When a surplus employee who has chosen, or is deemed to have chosen, Option 6.4.1 (a) offers to resign before the end of the twelve- month surplus priority period, the President may authorize a lump- sum payment equal to the surplus employee’s regular pay for the balance of the surplus period, up to a maximum of six (6) months. The amount of the lump sum payment for the pay in lieu cannot exceed the maximum of that which the employee would have received had they chosen Option 6.4.1 (b) - TSM.
- (iv) The Agency will make every reasonable effort to market a surplus employee within the employee’s surplus period and within the employee’s preferred area of mobility.

or

- (b) TSM is a lump sum payment based on the employee’s years of service (see Annex A) made to an opting employee. Years of service is the combined years of service in the public service, including years of service with the Agency. The TSM shall be paid in one or two (2) lump-sum amounts, at the employee’s request over a maximum two (2) year period. Employees choosing this Option must resign but will be considered to be laid-off for purposes of severance pay.

or

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(c) Education Allowance is a TSM (see Option 6.4.1 (b) above) plus an amount of not more than seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000.00) for reimbursement of receipted expenses of an opting employee for tuition from a learning institution and costs of books and relevant equipment. Employees choosing Option 6.4.1 (c) could either:

(i) resign from the Agency but be considered to be laid-off for severance pay purposes on the date of their departure. The TSM shall be paid in one (1) or two (2) lump-sum amounts, at the employee's request over a maximum two (2) year period;

or

(ii) delay their departure date and go on leave without pay for a maximum period of two (2) years, while attending the learning institution. The TSM shall be paid in one (1) or two (2) lump-sum amounts over a maximum two (2) year period. During this period, employees could continue to be public service benefit plan members and contribute both Employer and employee shares to the benefits plans and the Public Service Superannuation Plan. At the end of the two (2) year leave without pay period, unless the employee has found alternate employment in the Agency, the employee will be laid-off.

6.4.2 Management will establish the departure date of opting employees who choose Option 6.4.1 (b) or Option 6.4.1 (c) above.

6.4.3 The TSM, pay in lieu of unfulfilled surplus period and the Education Allowance cannot be combined with any other payment under the Employment Transition Appendix.

6.4.4 In the cases of pay in lieu of unfulfilled surplus period, Option 6.4.1 (b), and Option 6.4.1 (c) (i), the employee relinquishes any priority rights for appointment upon acceptance of their resignation.

6.4.5 Employees choosing Option 6.4.1 (c) (ii) who have not provided the Agency with a proof of registration from a learning institution twelve (12) months after starting their leave without pay period will be deemed to have resigned from the Agency, and be considered to be laid-off for purposes of severance pay.

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6.4.6 Opting employees who choose Option 6.4.1 (b) or Option 6.4.1 (c) above will be entitled to up to one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) for receipted expenses incurred in obtaining financial planning advice.

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6.4.7 A person who has received pay in lieu of unfulfilled surplus period, a TSM or an Education Allowance and is re-appointed to that portion of the Public Service of Canada specified from time to time in Schedule I, IV or V of the *FAA* shall reimburse the Receiver General for Canada by an amount corresponding to the period from the effective date of such re- appointment or hiring, to the end of the

original period for which the TSM or Education Allowance was paid.

6.4.8 The President shall ensure that pay in lieu of unfulfilled surplus period is only authorized where the employee's work can be discontinued on the resignation date and no additional costs will be incurred in having the work done in any other way during the unfulfilled surplus period.

6.4.9 If a surplus employee who has chosen, or is deemed to have chosen, Option 6.4.1 (a) refuses a reasonable job offer at any time during the Twelve-month surplus priority period, the employee is ineligible for pay in lieu of unfulfilled surplus period.

6.4.10 Approval of pay in lieu of unfulfilled surplus period is at the discretion of management, but shall not be unreasonably denied.

**** 6.5 Retention payment**

6.5.1 There are two (2) situations in which an employee may be eligible to receive a retention payment. These are total facility closures and relocation of work units.

6.5.2 All employees accepting retention payments must agree to leave the Agency without priority rights.

**** 6.5.3** An individual who has received a retention payment and, as applicable, is either re-appointed to that portion of the Public Service of Canada specified from time to time in Schedule I, IV or V of the *FAA*, or is hired by the new Employer within the six (6) months immediately following the individual's resignation, shall reimburse the Receiver General for Canada by an amount corresponding to the period from the effective date of such re-appointment or hiring, to the end of the original period for which the lump sum was paid.

6.5.4 The provisions of 6.4.5 shall apply in total facility closures where Agency jobs are to cease, and:

(a) such jobs are in remote areas of the country,

or

(b) retraining and relocation costs are prohibitive,

or

(c) prospects of reasonable alternative local employment (whether within or outside the Agency) are poor.

6.5.5 Subject to 6.5.4, the President shall pay to each employee who is asked to remain until closure of the work unit and offers a resignation from the Agency to take effect on that closure date, a sum equivalent to six (6) months' pay payable upon the day on which the Agency operation ceases, provided the employee has not separated prematurely.

6.5.6 The provisions of 6.4.7 shall apply in relocation of work units where Agency work

units:

(a) are being relocated,

and

(b) when the President decides that, in comparison to other Options, it is preferable that certain employees be encouraged to stay in their jobs until the day of workplace relocation,

and

(c) where the employee has opted not to relocate with the function.

6.5.7

Subject to 6.5.6, the President shall pay to each employee who is asked to remain until the relocation of the work unit and offers a resignation from the Agency to take effect on the relocation date, a sum equivalent to six (6) months' pay payable upon the day on which the Agency operation relocates, provided the employee has not separated prematurely.

Annex A: Transition Support Measure

Years of Service In The Public Service	Transition Support Measure (TSM) (payment in weeks' pay)
0.....	10
1	22
2	24
3	26
4	28
5	30
6	32
7	34
8	36
9	38
10	40
11	42
12	44
13	46
14	48
15	50
16	52
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19	52
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28	52
29	52
30	49
31	46
32	43
33	40
34	37
35	34
36	31
37	28
38	25
39	22
40	19
41	16
42	13
43	10
44	7
45	4

For indeterminate seasonal and part-time employees, the TSM will be pro-rated in the same manner as severance pay under the terms of the collective agreement.

Severance pay provisions of the collective agreements are in addition to the TSM.

APPENDIX C

VACATION CONVERSION TABLE

Annual Days	Annual Hours	Days per Month	Monthly Hours
15	112.5	1 ¹/₄	9.375
20	150	1 ²/₃	12.5
22	165	1 ⁵/₆	13.75
23	172.5	1 ¹¹/₁₂	14.375
25	187.5	2 ¹/₁₂	15.625
27	202.5	2 ¹/₄	16.875
30	225	2 ¹/₂	18.75

**** APPENDIX D**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

RED-CIRCLING

**** (A) GENERAL**

1. This Memorandum of Understanding sets out conditions of employment respecting pay upon reclassification for all employees whose Bargaining Agent is the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada.
2. This Memorandum of Understanding shall remain in effect until amended or cancelled by mutual consent of the parties.
- **** 3. This Memorandum of Understanding supersedes the Directive on Terms and Conditions of Employment where the Directive is inconsistent with the Memorandum of Understanding.
4. Where the provisions of any collective agreement differ from those set out in the Memorandum of Understanding, the conditions set out in the Memorandum of Understanding shall prevail.
5. This Memorandum of Understanding will form part of all collective agreements to which the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada and Treasury Board are parties, with effect from December 13, 1981.

**** PART I**

Part I of this Memorandum of Understanding shall apply to the incumbents of positions which will be reclassified to a group and/or level having a lower attainable maximum rate of pay after the date this Memorandum of Understanding becomes effective.

NOTE: The term "attainable maximum rate of pay" means the rate attainable for fully satisfactory performance in the case of levels covered by a performance pay plan or the maximum salary rate in the case of all other groups and levels.

1. Prior to a position being reclassified to a group and/or level having a lower attainable maximum rate of pay, the incumbent shall be notified in writing.
- **** 2. Downward reclassification notwithstanding, an encumbered position shall be deemed to have retained for all purposes the former group and level. In respect to the pay of the incumbent, this may be cited as Salary Protection Status and subject to Section 3(b) below shall apply until the position is vacated or the attainable maximum of the reclassified level, as revised from time to time, becomes greater than that applicable, as revised from time to time, to the former classification level. Determination of the attainable maxima rates of pay shall be in accordance with the Directive on Terms and Conditions of Employment.

3. (a) The Employer will make a reasonable effort to transfer the incumbent to a position having a level equivalent to that of the former group and/or level of the position.

(b) In the event that an incumbent declines an offer of transfer to a position as in (a) above in the same geographic area, without good and sufficient reason, that incumbent shall be immediately paid at the rate of pay for the reclassified position.
4. Employees subject to Section 3, will be considered to have transferred (as defined in the *Public Service Terms and Conditions of Employment Regulations*) for the purpose of determining increment dates and rates of pay.

PART II

Part II of this Memorandum of Understanding shall apply to incumbents of positions who are in holding rates of pay on the date this Memorandum of Understanding becomes effective.

1. An employee whose position has been downgraded prior to the implementation of this memorandum and is being paid at a holding rate of pay on the effective date of an economic increase and continues to be paid at that rate on the date immediately prior to the effective date of a further economic increase, shall receive a lump sum payment equal to 100 per cent of the economic increase for the employee's former group and level (or where a performance pay plan applied to the incumbent, the adjustment to the attainable maximum rate of pay) calculated on his annual rate of pay.
2. An employee who is paid at a holding rate on the effective date of an economic increase, but who is removed from that holding rate prior to the effective date of a further economic increase by an amount less than he would have received by the application of paragraph 1 of Part II, shall receive a lump sum payment equal to the difference between the amount equal to the difference between the amount calculated by the application of paragraph 1 of Part II and any increase in pay resulting from his removal from the holding rate.

APPENDIX E

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA)
BETWEEN
CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY
AND
PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CANADA

The parties will:

1. Request that the FPSLREB endorse this entire MOA providing it with the force of a Board Order, with which the parties shall comply.

The Employer will:

1. on a quarterly basis, disclose to the Bargaining Agent the home mailing addresses and home telephone numbers of its employees belonging to the S&A bargaining unit that the Employer possesses in its human resources information system. The Employer will endeavour to provide this information to the Bargaining Agent within four months of the FPSLREB Order endorsing this MOA;
2. subject to the receipt of an express written consent from the Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC) granting permission to use the business process and system developed for the PSAC (Public Service Alliance of Canada v. Treasury Board, 2008 FPSLREB 43) for the sole purpose of transmitting employee home contact data to the Bargaining Agent, the Employer agrees to provide the data as outlined in paragraph 1;
3. provide the data in a flat file comma delimited format specified in Appendix A (field lengths to be confirmed);
4. prior to the initial disclosure of the information outlined in paragraph 1 above, the Employer and the Bargaining Agent will jointly advise employees that the information will be disclosed. The message will explain the reasons why the information is being disclosed. Attached to the joint message will be the Board Order. Any questions concerning the disclosure will be directed to the Bargaining Agent. The joint message is attached to this agreement as Appendix B;
5. password protect or encrypt the home contact information transmitted from the Employer to the Bargaining Agent to ensure its safe transmission;
6. notify an employee, upon his or her initial appointment to a position in the Scientific and Analytical (S&A) Group bargaining unit, that his or her home contact information will be shared with the Bargaining Agent for purposes of collective bargaining.

The Bargaining Agent will:

1. agree that this is a full and final settlement of all claims they have, or shall have in respect of home contact information for employees in the bargaining unit, against Her Majesty in right of Canada, Her employees, agents and servants arising out of this application and, subject to the provisions of the *FPSLRA*, agrees not to take any proceeding of any manner with respect to them;
2. ensure that the disclosed information is used solely for the legitimate purposes of the Bargaining Agent in accordance with the *FPSLRA*;
3. ensure that the disclosed information will be securely stored and protected;
4. respect the privacy rights of the employees in the bargaining units;
5. acknowledge that the Employer is bound by the *Privacy Act* with respect to the protection of personal information as defined in that Act. The Bargaining Agent shall manage the personal information disclosed under this Memorandum of Agreement in accordance with the principles of fair information practices embodied in the *Privacy Act* and the Privacy Regulations. Specifically, it will keep private and confidential any such personal information disclosed by the Employer to the Bargaining Agent under this Memorandum of Agreement;
6. for the sake of clarity, the Bargaining Agent shall among other things:
 - (a) not disclose the personal information to anyone other than Bargaining Agent officials that are responsible for fulfilling the Bargaining Agent's legitimate obligations in accordance with the *FPSLRA*;
 - (b) not use, copy or compile the personal information for any purposes other than those for which it was provided under this agreement;
 - (c) respect the principles of the Government Security Policy at <http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pol/doc-eng.aspx?id=16578> for the security and disposal of this personal information; and
 - (d) ensure that all Bargaining Agent officials that have access to the disclosed information comply with all the provisions of this agreement;
7. recognize the sensitivity of the information being disclosed with respect to personal security of employees, especially where inadvertent mishandling/disclosure of this information could result in serious safety concerns, and accordingly, will ensure vigilant management and monitoring controls on this information at all times in light of these potential risks to employees and their families;
8. recognize that the information provided from the Employer's databases in place at the time of disclosure was provided by employees and that the Employer will not be held liable should a strike vote be challenged. The Bargaining Agent is responsible for updating its own database;

9. securely dispose of the home contact information provided by the Employer after it has been replaced by current home contact information.

The terms and conditions of this agreement are made without prejudice or precedent.

SIGNED AT OTTAWA THIS 6th DAY OF MARCH, 2012

Canadian Food Inspection Agency

Professional Institute of the Public Service of
Canada

Pierre Girard

Suzelle Brosseau

Appendix A

Union Address File (UAF) DRAFT (TO BE DETERMINED-UNDER DISCUSSION)

Person:		To PWGSC	To Union
PRI (9)	Num (9)	Y	N
IAN (9)	Num (9)	N	Y
Person Name			
Mixed Char (4)	Prefix Name	Y	Y
Mixed Char (30)	Person Given Name	Y	Y
Mixed Char (6)	Initials Name	Y	Y
Mixed Char (30)	Person Family Name	Y	Y
Mixed Char (15)	Suffix Name	Y	Y
Person Address			
Mixed Char (55)	Prefix Address Line (X4)	Y	Y
Mixed Char (30)	Municipality/City Name	Y	Y
Mixed Char (30)	Province / Territory	Y	Y
Upper Char (30)	Country Postal Code	Y	Y
Upper Char (10)			
Person Telephone			
Num (3)	International Country	Y	Y
Num (3)	Area City Code	Y	Y
Num (7)	Subscriber Number	Y	Y
Example	999999999,mrs,greer,hl, garson,phd,123 somewhere lane, around the corner, Ottawa, NS, Canada, e8n4e6,0116139999999		888888888,mrs,greer,hl, garson,phd,123 somewhere lane around the corner,Ottawa, NS, Canada, e8n4e6, 0116139999999

Appendix B

Message to Employees in the Scientific and Analytical (S&A) Bargaining Unit Represented by the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada (PIPSC)

With the introduction of the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act (FPSLRA)*, Bargaining Agents who conduct strike votes must now permit all employees in the bargaining unit to participate in those votes, not merely members of the union in good standing, as was previously the case.

In order for the PIPSC to comply with its obligations under the *FPSLRA* to give proper notice of strike votes to all employees, and also to fulfill its other duties in accordance with the *FPSLRA*, it is necessary that the Employer disclose to the PIPSC the home contact information for all employees in the bargaining unit.

The provision of this information is governed by an order of the Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board, which is attached. The information provided to the PIPSC will be used for the legitimate purposes of the union and its security is to be carefully maintained. The FPSLREB order sets out the privacy and security safeguards to which your information will be subject.

To this end, it is in every employee's interest that their contact information be kept up to date with their Bargaining Agent. You are therefore encouraged to submit your current contact information to the PIPSC and to advise your union of any changes to that information that may occur in the future.

You can provide your contact information via the PIPSC website at <http://www.pipsc.ca/portal/page/portal/website/memberservices/membership> or by communicating with the PIPSC at 1-800-267-0446.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation. Should you have any questions arising from this message, please do not hesitate to communicate with the PIPSC at the above number.

****APPENDIX F**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY AND PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CANADA WITH RESPECT TO MATERNITY AND PARENTAL LEAVE

This memorandum of understanding (MOU) is to give effect to the agreement reached between the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (the Employer) and the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada (the Institute) regarding the review of language under the maternity leave without pay and parental leave without pay articles in the Scientific and Analytical (S&A) collective agreement.

The parties commit to reviewing the opportunities identified by TBS and PIPSC stemming from their agreement to identify opportunities to simplify the language. The parties also commit to consider the outcome of the exercise of comparing the interactions between the collective agreement and the Employment Insurance Program and Québec Parental Insurance Plan.

The parties agree that the opportunities identified throughout this exercise will not result in changes in application, scope or value of article B15 or article B16 of the collective agreement.

This MOU expires on the expiry date of this collective agreement.

APPENDIX G

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY AND THE PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CANADA WITH RESPECT TO SCIENTIFIC INTEGRITY

The purpose of this MOA is to establish a framework for the joint development of a Scientific Integrity policy and guidelines between PIPSC and the CFIA

The parties to this Agreement recognize that scientific integrity constitutes an integral part of the Agency's and employee's work. Ensuring and enhancing scientific integrity is vital to the decision making process in the public administration and is the responsibility of all employees. It enables decision makers to draw upon high quality, wide-ranging and robust scientific and social scientific evidence for informed decision making. Scientific integrity involves the application of concepts of transparency, openness, high quality work, avoidance of conflict of interest and ensuring high standards of impartiality and research ethics. In this context, the parties recognize the need to promote a culture of scientific integrity within government science and research.

The Government of Canada firmly believes that government science should be publicly available and is an important part of an evidence-based decision-making process.

The *Directive on the Management of Communications* stipulates that spokespersons and subject matter experts may speak publicly about their own area of expertise and research, while respecting the Values and Ethics Code for the Public Sector. Along with other Deputy Heads, the CFIA's President has been asked to provide their ongoing attention to the implementation of the policy requirements within the CFIA that allow government scientists to speak publicly about their work. As part of the implementation, the President of CFIA should communicate directly with the employees of the Agency to ensure they are aware of the communications policy and how it applies to them.

The parties recognize the importance of balancing the requirements of scientific integrity and those of the Values and Ethics Code for the Public Sector as adopted April 2, 2012.

The principles and guidelines of scientific integrity include the release of scientific information and data to the public in a timely manner and in keeping with the Government of Canada's *Directive on Open Government*; the attribution and acknowledgement of the contributions of Government of Canada science/scientists; where appropriate, acknowledgement in official publications or communications where a significant (meaningful) contribution to programs, policy or regulations has been made, including the names and roles of those who made significant contributions to the research.

Further, principles and guidelines on scientific integrity ensure that science is of high quality, free from political, commercial, and client interference; and ensure the education of employees of the Agency on the role of science in evidence-based decision making. The Government of Canada recognizes the importance of professional development, and the employee's role in the development of government policy or advice.

Implementation and Governance:

The CFIA shall be required to develop its own Scientific Integrity Policy and Procedures in consultation with PIPSC Representatives. Such policies shall address the principles/guidelines outlined above, including the right to speak publicly as identified in the Collective Agreement. This shall be completed within eighteen (18) months of the signing of this MOA. The parties note that departments in the core public administration, in consultation with PIPSC, will endeavour to create a common policy that can be used as a model by the CFIA when developing their own Scientific Integrity Policy.

The CFIA shall report annually at the National Union-Management Consultation Committee (NUMCC) on the progress toward implementing this MOA and a CFIA policy. In addition, the Secretary of the Treasury Board, the Chief Science Advisor, once appointed and the President of PIPSC, will meet annually to take stock of progress and decide on course correction.

The Parties agree that the deadlines in this MOU can only be extended by mutual agreement in writing.

****APPENDIX H**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO LEAVE FOR UNION BUSINESS - COST RECOVERY

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to give effect to an agreement reached between the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (the Employer) and the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada (the Institute) to implement a system of cost recovery for leave for union business.

The parties agree to this MOU as a direct result of current Phoenix pay system implementation concerns related to the administration of leave without pay for union business.

Leave granted to an employee under clauses C5.02, C5.10, C5.11, C5.13 and C5.14(a) of the collective agreement will be with pay for a total cumulative maximum period of three (3) months per fiscal year.

It is agreed that leave with pay granted under the above-noted clauses for union business will be paid for by the Employer, pursuant to this MOU, effective upon its signature.

The Institute shall then reimburse the Employer for the total salary paid, including allowances if applicable, for each person-day, in addition to which shall also be paid to the Employer by the Institute an amount equal to six percent (6%) of the total salary paid for each person-day, which sum represents the Employer's contribution for the benefits the employee acquired at work during the period of approved leave with pay pursuant to this MoU.

Leave with pay in excess of the total cumulative maximum period of three (3) months per fiscal year may be granted under the above noted clauses in reasonably limited circumstances. Where leave with pay is extended under such circumstances, the Institute shall reimburse the Employer for the total salary paid, including applicable allowances, for each person-day, plus an amount equal to thirteen decimal three percent (13.3%) of the total salary paid for the period exceeding three (3) months.

Under no circumstances will leave with pay under the above noted clause be granted for any single consecutive period exceeding three (3) months, or for cumulative periods exceeding six (6) months in a twelve (12) month period.

This MOU does not alter the approval threshold for union leave. Should an employee be denied extended leave with pay exceeding three (3) cumulative months or a single consecutive three (3) month period within a fiscal year and the employee's union leave is otherwise approved pursuant to the relevant clauses at article C5, they shall take the leave as leave without pay.

On a bi-monthly basis, and within 120 days of the end of the relevant period of leave, the hiring Agency will invoice the Institute for the amount owed to them by virtue of this understanding. The amount of the gross salaries and the number of days of leave taken for each employee will be included in the statement.

The Institute agrees to reimburse the Agency for the invoice within sixty (60) days of the date of the invoice.

This Memorandum of Understanding expires on the expiry of the collective agreement or upon implementation of the Next Generation HR and Pay system, whichever comes first, unless otherwise agreed by the parties.

****APPENDIX I**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY AND THE PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CANADA WITH RESPECT TO GENDER INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE

This memorandum is to give effect to the agreement reached between the Canadian Food Inspection Agency and the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada regarding the review of language in the VM, IN, and S&A collective agreements.

Both parties are committed to and support gender neutrality and inclusivity. To that end, the parties commit to, during the life of the above noted collective agreements, establishing a Joint Committee to review the collective agreements to identify opportunities to render the language more gender inclusive. The parties agree that any changes in language will not result in changes in application, scope or value.

Both parties acknowledge that gender inclusivity is more difficult to achieve in the French language compared to the English language, but are committed nonetheless to further supporting and increasing gender neutrality and inclusivity in the collective agreement.

The Joint Committee agrees to begin its work in 2020 and will endeavour to finalize the review by December 2025. These timelines may be extended by mutual agreement. The parties further agree that the Joint Committee will use the work completed by the Treasury Board of Canada and the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada on gender inclusive language as a starting point for its review.

This Memorandum of Understanding expires on September 30, 2026, unless otherwise agreed by the parties.

****APPENDIX J**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY AND THE PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CANADA WITH RESPECT TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

1. The effective dates for economic increases will be specified in the collective agreement. Other provisions of the collective agreement will be effective as follows:
 - (a) All components of the agreement unrelated to pay administration will come into force on signature of this agreement unless otherwise expressly stipulated.
 - (b) Changes to existing and new compensation elements such as premiums, allowances, insurance premiums and coverage and changes to overtime rates will become effective within one hundred and eighty (180) days after signature of agreement, on the date at which prospective elements of compensation increases will be implemented under 2(a).
 - (c) Payment of premiums, allowances, insurance premiums and coverage and overtime rates in the collective agreement will continue to be paid as per the previous provisions until changes come into force as stipulated in 1(b).
2. The collective agreement will be implemented over the following time frames:
 - (a) The prospective elements of compensation increases (such as prospective salary rate changes and other compensation elements such as premiums, allowances, changes to overtime rates) will be implemented within one hundred and eighty (180) days after signature of this agreement where there is no need for manual intervention.
 - (b) Retroactive amounts payable to employees will be implemented within one hundred and eighty (180) days after signature of this agreement where there is no need for manual intervention.
 - (c) Prospective compensation increases and retroactive amounts that require manual processing will be implemented within four hundred and sixty (460) days after signature of this agreement.
3. Employee recourse
 - (a) Employees in the bargaining unit for whom this collective agreement is not fully implemented within one hundred and eighty (180) days after signature of this collective agreement will be entitled to a lump sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) non-pensionable amount when the outstanding amount owed after one hundred and eighty-one (181) days is greater than five hundred dollars (\$500). This amount will be included in their final retroactive payment.
 - (b) Employees will be provided a detailed breakdown of the retroactive payments received and may request that the compensation services of their department or the Public Service Pay Centre verify the calculation of their retroactive payments,

where they believe these amounts are incorrect. The Employer will consult with the Institute regarding the format of the detailed breakdown.

- (c) In such a circumstance, for employees in organizations serviced by the Public Service Pay Centre, they must first complete a Phoenix feedback form indicating what period they believe is missing from their pay. For employees in organizations not serviced by the Public Service Pay Centre, employees shall contact the compensation services of their department.

****APPENDIX K**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
THE CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY
AND THE PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CANADA
WITH RESPECT TO IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE B7 – REPORTING PAY**

The Parties acknowledge that the agreed upon addition of the NEW Article B7 – Reporting Pay will necessitate significant additional work by the Public Service Pay Centre, and as such that implementation of the agreed upon new article may not be completed within the standard 180 day implementation period after the signing of the Collective Agreement as outlined in Appendix J, the Memorandum of Understanding between the CFIA and PIPSC with respect to the Implementation of the Collective Agreement.

As a result, the Parties agree that the Employer will be entitled to up to three hundred and sixty (360) days from the date of signing to implement those specific revisions, and that any potential lump sum for late payment pursuant to subsection 3(a) of Appendix J will only become payable after the three hundred and sixty (360) day period has passed.

**** APPENDIX L**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY AND THE PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CANADA WITH RESPECT TO PAY SIMPLIFICATION SOLUTIONS

The purpose of this memorandum of understanding (MOU) is to confirm the parties' commitment to ongoing collaboration with regards to the identification of human resources (HR) and pay administration simplification solutions, which may extend beyond the conclusion of negotiations for the current collective agreement.

With consideration to the parties' shared commitment to ongoing human resources (HR) and pay administration simplification efforts, the parties may re-open this collective agreement by mutual consent should a revision be necessary to support one (1) or more solutions.

Efforts to identify human resources (HR) and pay administration simplification solutions will continue to focus on topics including but not limited to:

- acting administration
- liquidation of leave
- retroactive payments
- allowances
- general definitions
- annual rates of pay
- extra duty pay
- union dues

This MOU expires on the expiry date of this collective agreement, or upon implementation of the next-generation HR and pay system, whichever comes first, unless otherwise agreed by the parties.

****APPENDIX M**

LETTER OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY AND THE PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CANADA WITH RESPECT TO CONSULTATION ON INFORMAL CONFLICT MANAGEMENT

This letter of agreement is to give effect to the agreement reached between the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (the Employer) and the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada (the Institute).

The parties recognize the importance of an inclusive informal conflict resolution experience where employees feel supported, heard and respected.

1. The parties acknowledge that the Treasury Board of Canada and the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada (Institute) have entered into a letter of agreement with respect to a joint review on employment equity, diversity and inclusion (EEDI) training and informal conflict management systems, including those related to Indigenous peoples (First Nations, Inuit, and Métis), whereby they commit to establish a Joint Committee to review existing training courses related to EEDI which are currently available to employees in the Core Public Administration.
2. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) will review recommendations of the above-noted Joint Committee. The recommendations will be shared with the CFIA's Informal Conflict Management Services (ICMS) Advisory Committee and the CFIA's Equity and Diversity Steering Committee for any potential application within its organization. The CFIA will encourage the integration of best practices.

This letter of agreement expires on the expiry date of this collective agreement.