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MEMO TO: Land Registrars

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SUBJECT: **Section 35 and 136 of the *Land Titles Act***

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Bill 25, the *Red Tape Reduction Act, 1998*, amended sections 35 and 136 of the *Land Titles Act* but the amendments were not to become effective until a date had been proclaimed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. The reason for this was that not all land registry offices and sheriff's offices were integrated when the Red Tape amendments were proposed.

Since the integration project is now complete, the amendments to these sections have been proclaimed and the proclamation date was May 19, 1999.

Basically, the amendments provide as follows:

- Section 35** - the Land Registrar may search the Sheriff's electronic database for writs of execution when entering a patentee as owner pursuant to a Crown Patent.
- Section 136** - the Sheriff has direct access to the electronic database in the land registry office. It also provides that the Sheriff will receive the writs and maintain the database and indicate which writs affect land titles properties. This eliminates the requirement for land registrars to appoint Sheriff's staff as Assistant Deputy Land Registrars.

Please review sections 122 and 152 of the *Red Tape Reduction Act, 1998* for further details.

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