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Writ Issued For the By-Election in the Martensville Constituency (March 5, 2007)

(Regina – Monday, February 5, 2007) Saskatchewan's Chief Electoral Officer, Jean Ouellet, confirmed today that a Writ was issued for the By-Election in the constituency of Martensville set for March 5th, 2007.

The Office of the Chief Electoral Officer forwarded a Writ of Election to Darlene Buyck the Returning Officer for the Martensville constituency. The Returning Officer has opened her office located in the Martensville Bowling & Rec. Fun Centre.

The following dates are important to remember:

- Writ commencing the By-Election in the constituency of Martensville was issued on Monday, February 5, 2007.
- Door-to-door enumeration takes place between Monday, February 5 and Wednesday, February 14, 2007. In the event a voter is missed, the voter is encouraged to contact the constituency Returning Officer at 933-6824 (toll free at 1-888-933-6824).
- Qualified electors unable to vote in the constituency at an advance poll or on Election Day may apply for an Absentee Ballot Kit. The last day to apply for an Absentee Ballot Kit is Sunday, February 25, 2007.
- Deadline to have names, added, corrected or deleted from the Voters' List is 10:00 p.m. C.S.T., Thursday, March 1, 2007.
- The constituency Returning Officer must receive the candidate's nomination paper, before 2:00 p.m. C.S.T., Saturday, February 17, 2007.

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- Advance polls will take place Tuesday, February 27, 2007 through Friday March 2nd from the hours of 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and Saturday, March 3, 2007 from 12 noon to 7:00 p.m. (all times C.S.T.).
- Election Day is Monday, March 5, 2007. Polls will be open from 9:00 a .m. to 8:00 p.m. C.S.T.
- The Returning Officer will proceed with the Final Count of the ballots on Saturday, March 17, 2007 and declare elected the candidate that will have received the highest number of votes.
- Candidates must file with the constituency Returning Officer a return of election expenses within three months after Election Day. That is no later than Wednesday, June 6, 2007. The Returning Officer will publish a summary of the information contained in the return in at least one newspaper published or circulated in the constituency.
- Within six months after Election Day, registered political parties are to file with the Chief Electoral Officer an audited return of election expenses.

For further information, the public can contact the Martensville Returning Officer, Darlene Buyck at 933-6824/1-888-933-6824 or Elections Saskatchewan at 1-877-958-8683.

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