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**Subject:** Report under COVID-19 Related Measures Act

The Honourable Darryl Plecas Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Please find attached a report regarding a regulation made on July 21, 2020, under the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act*, SBC 2020, c 8 (CRMA). This report is presented pursuant to subsection 4 (2) of the CRMA.

Subsection 4 (4) of the CRMA requires that this report be laid before the Legislative Assembly as soon as possible.

## Context and Background

- On April 10, 2020, the Health Care Labour Adjustment (COVID-19) Order, M105/2020 was made under the *Emergency Program Act*, RSBC 1996, c 111. M105/2020 obligated specified health care employers, staff and bargaining agents representing unionized staff to implement Single Site Orders under the *Public Health Act*, SBC 2008, c 28 in accordance with specified labour and employment terms.
- On July 10, 2020, M105/2020 was brought into force as a "COVID-19 provision" under the CRMA by OIC 391/2020 (B.C. Reg. 172/2020).
- On July 15, 2020, M105/2020 was replaced by the Health Care Labour Adjustment (COVID-19) Order No. 2 (M220/2020). M220/2020 is primarily a reproduction of M105/2020, except with a few revisions. The revisions include increasing the scope of Section 1 (2) and amending s. 10 of the Schedule, which enable there to be an agreed process for permitting permanent job postings and other agreements about implementation issues that may arise in relation to the labour and employment terms.

## B.C. Reg. 188/2020

• On July 21, 2020, a regulation, B.C. Reg.188/2020, was made under sections 3 (5) (c) and (8) (a) and (b) of the CRMA to:

- o repeal the reference to M105/2020 in Schedule 2 of the CRMA effective July 15, 2020;
- o add a reference to M220/2020 in Schedule 2 of the CRMA effective July 15, 2020; and
- $\circ$  specify that the reference to M220/2020 in Schedule 2 is repealed effective July 10, 2021.

Members may direct any questions to me in respect of this report and the effects of the attached regulation.

Yours truly,

David Eby, QC Attorney General

Attachment