

May 15, 2024

John Davison, President & CEO Public Sector Employers' Council Secretariat Suite 210 - 880 Douglas St Victoria, B.C. V8W 2B7

Dear Mr. Davison,

Re: Attestation - CNC Compensation Policy Compliance

This letter from the College of New Caledonia is to confirm the following:

- 1. The board is aware of the executive compensation paid in the prior fiscal year.
- 2. The disclosed information is accurate and includes all compensation paid by the employer, foundations, subsidiaries, or any other organization related to or associated with the employer.
- 3. The disclosed information also includes the value of any pre or post-employment payments made during the 12 month period before or after the term of employment.
- 4. Verifies that compensation provided was within approved compensation plans and complies with these guidelines.

Sincerely,

Shobha K. Sharma College of New Caledonia Board Chair

c Cindy Heitman, President and CEO Evelyn Watt, Director of Human Resources



Total Compensation Philosophy

The College of New Caledonia's (CNC) total compensation program is a framework to assist the institution attract and retain qualified exempt employees and is designed in a fiscally responsible manner in support of our mission, vision, values and culture, with flexibility to respond to changing and unique circumstances.

The Guiding Principles for CNC's total compensation programs is as follows:

Performance – Compensation programs support and promote a performance-based (merit) organizational culture, though the College does not provide performance-based bonuses or other forms of variable pay.

Differentiation – Differentiation of salary is supported where there are differences in the scope of the position within the institution and/or due to superior individual team contributions by employees, within the parameters of established and approved pay bands.

Accountability – Compensation decisions are objective and based on upon a clear and well documented business rationale that demonstrates the appropriate expenditure of public funds in accordance with the Taxpayer Accountability Principles.

Transparency – Compensation programs are designed, managed and communicated in a manner that ensures the program is clearly understood by employees and the public while protecting individual personal information, except where disclosure is required by government regulation, statute or policy.

Sustainability – Total compensation programs are designed, administered and updated in a fiscally responsible manner that ensures that costs are affordable and sustainable over time and balanced against market forces.

CNC's total compensation program includes four main elements:

Compensation

• The College provides fair compensation, in the form of base salary, for the scope and breadth of job responsibilities and the education, competencies and experience that employees bring to their roles.

Benchmarking methodology and process:

Primary comparators for management employees in the institution include these common comparators or benchmarks:

- a. B.C. Public Sector Organizations Crown corporations, health sector, K-12 public education, post-secondary, core public service, community social services, regional government, municipalities and various public bodies.
- b. Other Provincial Jurisdictions where relevant, excluding territories.
- c. Private Sector utilized only in cases of talent in high demand with significant recruitment pressure from the private sector.

Benefits and Pension

- The College provides security and protection to employees and their families during their employment and co-contributes to their post-employment retirement plans. Benefits provided include:
 - Medical Services Plan
 - Basic Life Insurance and Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance
 - Short and Long Term Disability
 - Extended Health
 - Dental
 - Optional Life Insurance (employee paid)
 - College Pension Plan or Municipal Pension Plan (employee and employer contributions)

Career Development

• The College provides support for skill development, upgrades and other career development activities through access to professional development funds as well as project-based assignments for employees that provide opportunities for growth while achieving College operational goals and succession planning objectives.

Work/Life

• The College provides appropriate paid time off and other programs (i.e. Employee and Family Assistance Program) to help employees balance their work and personal demands.

Governance and Administration

The College's Board of Governors is responsible for approving our overall compensation philosophy in addition to ensuring annual compensation reporting and disclosure is completed in accordance with Government policy and legislation. Human Resources is responsible for the day-to-day administration of the program. The President and Executive Committee (EC) is responsible for making recommendations to the Board for their endorsement of the Compensation Philosophy. Total compensation programs may be amended from time-to-time, as determined by the College, and as approved by the Board and the Minister.

College of New Caledonia

Summary Compensation Table at 2024

							Previous Two Years Totals Total Compensation	
Name and Position	Salary	Holdback/Bonus/ Incentive Plan Compensation	Benefits	Pension	All Other Compensation (expanded below)	2023/2024 Total Compensation	2022/2023	2021/2022
Cindy Marie Heitman, President and CEO	\$ 97,396	-	\$ 9,425	\$ 9,553	\$ 5,000	\$ 121,374		
Dennis Johnson, President and CEO	\$ 156,634	-	\$ 4,302	\$ 16,196	\$ 14,998	\$ 192,130	\$ 243,253	\$ 235,109
Fedele Alaggia, Executive Director Human Resources	\$ 143,381	-	\$ 2,421	-	\$ 194,096	\$ 339,898	\$ 152,330	\$ 153,776
Shelley C Carter-Rose, Vice President Student Affairs	\$ 198,596	-	\$ 8,641	\$ 20,535	-	\$ 227,772	\$ 210,498	\$ 206,883
Tara-Dawn Szerencsi, Vice President, Finance & Corporate Services	\$ 188,598	-	\$ 9,704	\$ 19,501	-	\$ 217,803	\$ 202,801	\$ 192,055
Chad Thompson, Vice President Academic	\$ 188,326	-	\$ 9,703	\$ 19,473	-	\$ 217,502	\$ 201,725	\$ 188,430

Summary Other Compensation Table at 2024

Name and Position	All Other Compensation	Severance	Vacation Payout	Paid Leave	Vehicle / Transportation Allowance	Perquisites / Other Allowances	Other
Cindy Marie Heitman, President and CEO	\$ 5,000	-	-	-	\$ 5,000	-	-
Dennis Johnson, President and CEO	\$ 14,998	-	\$ 9,478	-	\$ 5,520	-	-
Fedele Alaggia, Executive Director Human Resources	\$ 194,096	\$ 155,714	\$ 38,382	-	-	-	-
Shelley C Carter-Rose, Vice President Student Affairs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tara-Dawn Szerencsi, Vice President, Finance & Corporate Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chad Thompson, Vice President Academic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes

Cindy Marie Heitman, President and CEO	General Note: Cindy Heitman is new to the organization and replaced the retiring President on Nov 1, 2023	
Dennis Johnson, President and CEO	General Note: Retired effective Dec 31, 2023	
Fedele Alaggia, Executive Director Human Resources	General Note: Fred Alaggia received a 9.75% performance-based salary increase effective July 1, 2023. Employment was terminated and severance of \$155,714 was paid as a lump sum. Unused vacation of \$38,382 was paid upon termination.	
Shelley C Carter-Rose, Vice President Student Affairs	General Note: Shelley Carter-Rose received a 9.75% performance-based salary increase effective July 1, 2023.	
Tara-Dawn Szerencsi, Vice President, Finance & Corporate Services	General Note: Tara Szerencsi received a 6.75% performance-based salary increase effective July 1, 2023.	
Chad Thompson, Vice President Academic	General Note: Chad Thompson received a 6.75% performance-based salary increase effective July 1, 2023.	