

FW: MJW & MSKC FYI | IBN re CCPA Report on Fees - 281332

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Hello Minister, See attached IBN for your information.

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Subject: MJW & MSKC FYI | IBN re CCPA Report on Fees - 281332

Good afternoon,

Please see the attached IBN for Ministers review and FYI. Re: Report on federal child care fee targets by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA). The intent in sharing this information is to summarize and discuss the CCPA's findings related to B.C.'s targets.

Note, this has also been saved on the [MO LAN](#).

Thank you!

Lindsay Kinnear
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**MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE
INFORMATION BRIEFING NOTE**

DATE: May 19, 2022
CLIFF: 281332

PREPARED FOR: Hon. Jennifer Whiteside, Minister – **FOR INFORMATION**
Hon. Katrina Chen, Minister of State for Child Care – **FOR INFORMATION**

SUBJECT: Report on federal child care fee targets by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA)

PURPOSE: To summarize and discuss the CCPA's findings related to B.C.'s targets.

BACKGROUND:

- The CCPA's National Office (Ottawa) coordinates national research and publishes reports, studies, and commentary on a wide range of public policy issues.
- On May 10, 2022, the CCPA released its eighth report in a series tracking child care fees titled [Game Changer: Will provinces and territories meet the federal child care fee targets?](#)
- The report draws on publicly available information along with survey data from the CCPA's annual survey of licensed child care in 37 Canadian cities¹ to assess plans by provinces and territories to achieve affordability targets set out in their respective Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care (CW-ELCC) Agreements.
- Most CW-ELCC Agreements include a commitment to reducing average fees by 50%² and the report discusses the four main policy approaches being taken by provinces and territories to meet this target:
 - Reducing provincially/territorially set fees in regulated child care
 - Introducing a flat-rate fee reduction
 - Requiring each service provider reduce fees by 50%
 - Changing the value or eligibility for fee subsidies
- B.C. will primarily use flat-rate fee reductions to achieve its 50% target³ and the CCPA suggests that while this is the most common approach, it is less predictable and transparent than setting standard fees, results in a wider variety of fees, and may be difficult to monitor accountability.

DISCUSSION:

- The CCPA uses municipal median fees collected through its annual survey of licensed child care centres to calculate required fee reductions in B.C. See Appendix A.

¹ X-ref BN 259049

² Quebec has had its own ELCC system since 1997 with a reduced parental contribution; its CW-ELCC agreement focuses on strengthening that system. Yukon has reduced fees by 50% via its average \$10/day universal program and commits to expanding this program under the CW-ELCC.

³ B.C.'s CW-ELCC Agreement commits to reducing average out-of-pocket child care fees (based on 2019 levels) by 50% by the end of 2022, and to an average of \$10 per day by 2025. This will be achieved through a combination of increased fee reductions and expanding the number of \$10 a Day ChildCare BC spaces.

- Based on its analysis, the CCPA projects that only some of the 37 cities it surveyed will meet the 50% target; however, the report admits that they cannot confirm if B.C. will meet its target because only high-level information about B.C.'s plan has been released:
 - The number of \$10 a Day spaces will increase to 12,500 spaces by the end of 2022
 - The existing Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative (CCFRI) discounts will increase
- There are a number of ways in which the CCPA's analysis differs from how B.C. will calculate required fee reductions to meet the commitments under the CW-ELCC Agreement:
 - The CCPA data is from a much smaller sample size than the Ministry gains from its Annual Provider Profile Survey of all child care providers receiving operating funding.
 - Our commitment to reduce fees by 50% is based on a provincial average. As a result, individual families may see their fees reduced by more or less than 50%.
 - B.C.'s expansion of \$10 a Day ChildCareBC Sites to 12,500 spaces will also play a role in reducing average fees by 50%.
- The report also discusses B.C.'s cap on fee increases⁴ stating that in practice, increase caps are more difficult to monitor than set fees and new centers can open with exorbitant fees⁵.
- The CCPA concludes by stating that providing operational funding combined with provincially and territorial set fees, rather than fee increase caps, "offers the most predictable and transparent way of achieving fee reduction and other learning and child care goals, as well as tracking the impact of public funding." (p. 47).
- The CCPA further projects that after fees drop, public demand for access will become the focus and that provinces and territories should work towards enhancing access through physical facilities and recruiting and retaining educators to operate those spaces.

CONCLUSION:

- Although the CCPA suggests that five major cities in B.C. may not see child care fees drop by 50% by the end of this year, B.C. is on track to fulfil its commitment in the CW-ELCC Agreement. See Appendix B.

Attachment(s):

- Monthly fee targets and reductions needed in five B.C. cities according to the CCPA
- Current (Apr-Nov 2022) and Target (Dec 2022) CCFRI fee reduction rates

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Date: May 17, 2022

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⁴ As of April 1, 2022, B.C. has set limits on fee increases that may be approved as part of a provider's established historical pattern of fee increases, or due to exceptional circumstances.

⁵ To mitigate new centres opening with exorbitant fees, since April 2021, newly established facilities in B.C. are required to limit their fees to their regional 70th percentile to participate in the CCFRI.

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Appendix A: Monthly fee targets and reductions needed in five B.C. cities according to the CCPA

Table A1: Infant / Toddler ⁶

City	A: Median fees in 2019	B: Federal Target in 2022 (Ax50%)	C: Median fees in 2021	Reduction needed in 2022 to hit federal target (C-B)
Burnaby	\$1000	\$500	\$1145	\$645
Kelowna	\$825	\$412	\$980	\$567
Richmond	\$1200	\$600	\$1450	\$850
Surrey	\$1000	\$500	\$1120	\$620
Vancouver	\$1112	\$556	\$1200	\$644

Table A2: Preschool-age

City	A: Median fees in 2019	B: Federal Target in 2022 (Ax50%)	C: Median fees in 2021	Reduction needed in 2022 to hit federal target (C-B)
Burnaby	\$850	\$425	\$890	\$465
Kelowna	\$810	\$405	\$900	\$495
Richmond	\$955	\$477	\$1275	\$797
Surrey	\$850	\$425	\$925	\$500
Vancouver	\$954	\$477	\$1015	\$538

⁶ Although the Ministry's data shows that infant fee medians are higher than those for toddler fees, the CCPA presented equivalent infant/toddler costs in these five cities.

Appendix B: Current and Target (Dec 2022) CCFRI fee reduction rates

Table 1: Current and Target (Dec 2022) CCFRI fee reduction rates

	Current Fee Reduction	19/20 Parent Fees ⁷	Dec 22 Fee Reduction
Group 0 – 36 months	\$350	\$1,250	\$900
Family 0 – 36 months	\$200	\$1,000	\$600
Group 3 Years - Kindergarten	\$100	\$890	\$545
Family 3 Years - Kindergarten	\$60	\$860	\$500
Group Before & After School (Kindergarten)	\$100	TBD	TBD
Family Before & After School (Kindergarten)	\$60	TBD	TBD

⁷ 19/20 Parent Fees (provincial average) are before the CCFRI fee reduction is applied.

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Attachments: CCPA EMBARGO_Funding to BC private schools_220920.docx
Good morning Grant, and happy Wednesday You must have seen this type of report before. "

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EMBARGOED UNTIL 7 AM, WEDS SEPT 21

By Alex Hemingway

BC private schools to collect \$491 million in public funding this year

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Can share back with you and Meghan what we get.

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Hi Tim,

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FYI as it speaks to funding.

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Thanks Grant this is helpful for background.

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Subject: RE: For Review: ECC Follow-up Media Request: Private vs Public School Funding-Due 11:00 am

Hi Megan,

Your bullets look good.

The following Key Messages have been taken from the Fact Sheet – Independent Schools Overview. I’m wondering whether any would also be useful for your background?

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Subject: For Review: ECC Follow-up Media Request: Private vs Public School Funding-Due 11:00 am
Importance: High

Hi Grant,

We are working on a short statement from the Ministry for CBC that’s due at 11:00 am.

Any concern on this messaging or anything you think we should add?

We are still gathering some enrollment data as well.

Thanks,
Megan

Reporter

Deadline Wednesday, September 21, 2022 11:00 AM

Request

Could you provide an interview or a statement on this ?

Background

This is a follow-up to a media request from September 20, 2022.

REQUEST:

Hi,

my name is Dominique Lévesque and I am a reporter at the CBC French newsroom in Vancouver.

We are doing a story about public and private education in BC.

To be able to put things in context, could you give me these number before 5pm deadline please :

-public funding per elementary school student in public system per year (2020-2021-2022)

-public funding per elementary school student in the private system per year: (2020-2021-2022)

Thank you,

RESPONSE:

Provided Background to CBC

- Our government is making historic investments in B.C.'s education system to ensure students are well supported in their learning environments. We are delivering record investments in operating funding and capital projects, as we build and upgrade schools in support of an even more robust public education system that helps students thrive.

- The Ministry of Education and Child Care provides public school districts with operating funding per student enrolled. You can find the amounts provided to public schools online dating back to 2001:

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- Funding is provided to independent schools according to the Independent School Act. The Ministry of Education and Child Care provides funding to the Independent School Authorities based on a funding formula that's been in place for 30 years. Independent schools provide education programs to 13.3% of the K-12 population and receive approximately 6.6% of the education budget.

- There are four groups of Independent Schools:

- o Group 1 receive 50% of the operating grant rate at public schools.

- o Group 2 receive 35% of the operating grant rate at public schools.

- o Groups 3 and 4 receive no funding.

- The rate is calculated based on actual operating grants allocated to public school districts, without the inclusion of the special needs supplement, funding for the Provincial Learning Network and the Classroom Enhancement Fund.

- Funding rates for special needs students are the same for independent schools and public schools.

- You can find funding rates for Independent Schools online here: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/independent-schools/funding#amounts>

Recommendation (Ministry statement)

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Thanks! I will make that adjustment.

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Subject: RE: FOR URGENT APPROVAL: ECC Follow-up Media Request: Private vs Public School Funding-Due 11:00 am

Thanks Megan. I would reorder the bullets, to lead with the last one describing the complexion of the sector.

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Importance: High

Hi Lucas,

A slight change on the statement.

Please let me know if you have any concerns with this response.

Thanks!

Recommendation (Ministry statement)

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Background:

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Importance: High

Hi Lucas,

Please see the follow up request from CBC on private school funding.

Do you have any concern with the following draft statement and background ?

Grant has reviewed.

Thanks,
Megan

Reporter

Dominique Levesque, Producer
CBC Radio Canada
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604-340-3914

Deadline Wednesday, September 21, 2022 11:00 AM

Request

Could you provide an interview or a statement on this ?

Background

This is a follow-up to a media request from September 20, 2022.

REQUEST:

Hi,

my name is Dominique Lévesque and I am a reporter at the CBC French newsroom in Vancouver.

We are doing a story about public and private education in BC.

To be able to put things in context, could you give me these number before 5pm deadline please :

- public funding per elementary school student in public system per year (2020-2021-2022)
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Thank you,

RESPONSE:

Provided Background to CBC

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Hi Minister,

CBC online has requested an interview or statement on the CCPA Report. They have our background info from yesterday's response, which is included in their online story: [New report suggests funding to private schools growing faster than public schools in B.C. | CBC News](#)

Below is a draft statement and additional background for your approval.

Thanks,

Melanie

Minister statement and background

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s.13. On this version he has added in some links to material that helps clarify or give a different view.

I think the UBC article on K – 12 funding is very interesting. <https://news.ubc.ca/2021/06/21/b-c-s-spending-on-k-12-education-drastically-increased-over-the-last-50-years/>

Chris

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From: Brown, Chris EDUC:EX <Chris.Brown@gov.bc.ca>
To: Jah, Tim EDUC:EX <Tim.Jah@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: September 21, 2022 2:54:21 PM PDT
Thanks very much Tim. Looks good.

From: Jah, Tim EDUC:EX <Tim.Jah@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: September 21, 2022 2:44 PM
To: Brown, Chris EDUC:EX <Chris.Brown@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: CCPA report

Hi Chris,
I have provided some links to clarify group classifications and give potential counterpoint views to the ones expressed here.

From: Brown, Chris EDUC:EX <Chris.Brown@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: September 21, 2022 8:03 AM
To: Jah, Tim EDUC:EX <Tim.Jah@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: CCPA report

Hi Tim,

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Thanks

From: Kennedy, Karla 1 EDUC:EX <Karla.1.Kennedy@gov.bc.ca>
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Cc: Olson, Michael GCPE:EX <Michael.Olson@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: September 21, 2022 4:17:42 PM PDT
Great, thanks Megan.

From: Lowry, Megan GCPE:EX <Megan.Lowry@gov.bc.ca>
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Oh no I didn't mean to strike that out either. Sending with operating still in.

Here is the cleaned up version.

Minister statement "Our government is making historic investments in B.C.'s education system to make sure all students get the quality education and opportunity they deserve. We are providing public schools with \$6.6 billion in operating funding and \$3.1 billion for capital projects over the next three years. The Independent School Act mandates a legislated funding formula, in which independent schools receive only a percentage of the full funding provided to public school districts based on student enrollment. Independent schools do not receive any money for capital projects. I have asked ministry staff to review the report by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA)."

Background from Ministry:

- Independent schools in B.C. are diverse, representing a wide range of communities and educational approaches, including faith-based, First Nations, Montessori, environmental education, university prep, Waldorff, and schools specializing in serving students with disabilities and diverse abilities.
- Independent schools in the Province of B.C. are legislatively enabled under the *Independent School Act*.
- Independent schools must comply with the requirements of the Act and related regulations, orders and policy.
- The Ministry of Education regulates independent schools by way of external evaluations and inspections.
- All funded independent schools are required to follow the B.C. curriculum and to employ certified teachers.

Thanks!
Megan

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Ok thanks, good to send – didn't mean to strike out the word 'operating' from statement. Did you? I'm fine to include.

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Thanks Mel,

Confirming that it's \$6.6 billion.

The \$7 billion refers to independent and public together.

Megan

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Hello,

Edited and approved version below, but can you pls confirm figure is \$6.6B and not over \$7B?

Thanks,

Mel

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Following up on this one folks, CBC Online has published their story with the background provided yesterday.

[New report suggests funding to private schools growing faster than public schools in B.C. | CBC News](#)

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Subject: For MO Approval: ECC Follow-up Media Request: Private vs Public School Funding-Due ASAP
Importance: High

Hi MO,

We have a follow up request from CBC looking for a statement on the CPPA report on independent school funding.

Please see the draft statement from MJW and additional background and let us know what edits you would like.

The reporter was looking for something as soon as possible.

Thanks,
Megan

Reporter

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Deadline ASAP

Request

Could you provide an interview or a statement on the CPPA report on private schools?

Background

This is a follow-up to a media request from September 20, 2022.

REQUEST:

Hi,

my name is Dominique Lévesque and I am a reporter at the CBC French newsroom in Vancouver.

We are doing a story about public and private education in BC.

To be able to put things in context, could you give me these number before 5pm deadline please :

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Thank you,

RESPONSE:

Provided Background

- Our government is making historic investments in B.C.'s education system to ensure students are well supported in their learning environments. We are delivering record investments in operating funding and capital projects, as we build and upgrade schools in support of an even more robust public education system that helps students thrive.
- The Ministry of Education and Child Care provides public school districts with operating funding per student enrolled. You can find the amounts provided to public schools online dating back to 2001:
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/resource-management/k-12-funding-and-allocation/operating-grants/k12funding-21-22>
- You can also see operating grants provided to each district under the section labelled: Summary of Grants to Date, 2021/22 (PDF) Here is the PDF from 2021/2022

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/resource-management/k12funding/21-22/21-22-summary-of-grants-to-date-june-2022-2.pdf>

- Funding is provided to independent schools according to the Independent School Act. The Ministry of Education and Child Care provides funding to the Independent School Authorities based on a funding formula that's been in place for 30 years. Independent schools provide education programs to 13.3% of the K-12 population and receive approximately 6.6% of the education budget.
- There are four groups of Independent Schools:
 - o Group 1 receive 50% of the operating grant rate at public schools.
 - o Group 2 receive 35% of the operating grant rate at public schools.
 - o Groups 3 and 4 receive no funding.
- The rate is calculated based on actual operating grants allocated to public school districts, without the inclusion of the special needs supplement, funding for the Provincial Learning Network and the Classroom Enhancement Fund.
- Funding rates for special needs students are the same for independent schools and public schools.
- You can find funding rates for Independent Schools online here: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/independent-schools/funding#amounts>

Recommendation (Minister statement and background)

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Sent: September 30, 2022 6:39:08 PM PDT
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Subject: RE: CCPA report

Thanks Grant. Great information and background for me.

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Sorry about not being available yesterday! It would be great to catch up and believe we have some time Friday morning. Looking forward to it.

lac.

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Morning, Lucas. s.22 and stopped by to say hello but you were in a meeting.

Yes, we have seen similar reports from the Teachers' Federation previously and there are regularly calls from school trustees to reduce funding to Independent Schools to enable those funds to be redirected into the public education system.

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Provincial operating subsidies to the private school system will [rise to \\$491 million](#) this year, which is more than double the funding level in 2000/01 in inflation-adjusted terms. [This far outstrips the rate of growth in funding to public K-12 education over the same period of time.](#)

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From: Corwin, Lucas A EDUC:EX <Lucas.Corwin@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: September 21, 2022 8:31 AM
To: Sheppard, Grant EDUC:EX <Grant.Sheppard@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: CCPA report

Good morning Grant, and happy Wednesday You must have seen this type of report before.

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Oh, I like that addition. Thanks Megan.

lac.

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Thanks Grant and Lucas!

Would this work to add to the response as well?

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Thanks, All. I've reviewed as well. No concerns.

Grant.

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Deadline Tuesday, September 20, 2022 5:30 PM

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Subject: RE: For Review: ECC Media Request: Private vs Public School Funding

Hi Megan,

Yes, that will work and to bring you in the loop, Matt, Wanda, and I had a quick discussion about this request. We can provide information at a School District level (the link you have below is correct) and if required we can pull funding data from our financial system (CDS) on an Authority (the Indy equivalent of a district), but we don't have it at a school level.

Cheers,
 Tim

From: Lowry, Megan GCPE:EX <Megan.Lowry@gov.bc.ca>
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Hi Tim,

We have another request around funding for independent and public schools.

Please let me know if you think this response works?

I based it on what you sent for the earlier request.

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 Megan

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Grant.

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Recommendation (background from Ministry)

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Sent: September 20, 2022 2:23 PM
To: Lowry, Megan GCPE:EX <Megan.Lowry@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Silver, Matt GCPE:EX <Matt.Silver@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: For Review: ECC Media Request: Private vs Public School Funding

Hi Megan,

Yes, that will work and to bring you in the loop, Matt, Wanda, and I had a quick discussion about this request. We can provide information at a School District level (the link you have below is correct) and if required we can pull funding data from our financial system (CDS) on an Authority (the Indy equivalent of a district), but we don't have it at a school level.

Cheers,
Tim

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Importance: High

Hi Tim,

We have another request around funding for independent and public schools.

Please let me know if you think this response works?

I based it on what you sent for the earlier request.

Thanks,

Megan

Reporter

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Deadline Tuesday, September 20, 2022 5:30 PM

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Sent: September 20, 2022 2:07:34 PM PDT

Hello Matt,

Wanda has had a look and made comments below in red, I think the actuals will have to come from another area of RMD, and some of the other data ISB/EDW.

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Reporter

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