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**From:** Rhonda Schultz <schultz@geosciencebc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2017 12:53 PM  
**To:** Musgrove, Kate MEM:EX  
**Cc:** Carlos Salas; Mike Cathro; Robb, Peter L. MEM:EX; McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX  
**Subject:** Signed Geoscience BC grant letter  
**Attachments:** 03-27-17 - MEM Letter re 2017-18 and 2018-19 Grant.pdf

Hi Kate,

Further to our conversation this morning, please find attached the March 22, 2017 letter from Elaine McKnight, Deputy Minister, to Geoscience BC, signed by Carlos Salas, Acting President & CEO. Per your direction, we have amended the letter to remove the words "and the attached Grant Agreement" from the fourth paragraph of the first page (initialled by Carlos), as our understanding from you is that the Ministry requires this signed letter but does not require the execution of a Grant Agreement for this contribution.

An original of this letter will follow today by mail. Please advise if you require anything else from our offices with respect to this Grant.

Regards,

**Rhonda Schultz**

*Accountant and Corporate Secretary*

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March 22, 2017

Ref.: 98515

Mr. Carlos Salas  
Vice President, Energy  
Geoscience BC  
1101 – 750 West Pender Street  
Vancouver, BC V6C 2T7

Dear Mr. Salas:

The Government of British Columbia and Geoscience BC have had a successful partnership since 2005 that has led to increased mineral exploration activity and assisted in the responsible development of shale gas resources in northeast British Columbia.

The Government is pleased to confirm a grant of \$10,000,000 for two years to Geoscience BC to be applied towards fulfilling its mandate to encourage mineral, geothermal, oil and gas exploration investment in British Columbia through the collection, interpretation and distribution of publicly available, applied geoscience.

As per standard government operation practices, we require Geoscience BC to provide the Province with an annual report that summarizes projects supported by the provincial government within three months of the end of the 2017/18 and 2018/19 fiscal years. Additionally, a financial report is required that identifies all project funding sources listed by project and includes interim financial statements of Geoscience BC.

CJS

Please indicate your acceptance of the terms outlined above by signing and returning a copy of this letter ~~and the attached Grant Agreement~~ to Mr. Peter Robb, Assistant Deputy Minister, Mines and Mineral Resources Division, at:

Ministry of Energy and Mines  
PO Box 9320, Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, BC V8W 9N3

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**Ministry of  
Energy and Mines**

Office of the  
Deputy Minister

Mailing Address:  
PO Box 9319, Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, BC V8W 9N3

Telephone: 250 952-0120  
Facsimile: 250 952-0269

Location:  
8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1810 Blanshard Street  
Victoria

Website: [www.gov.bc.ca/ener/](http://www.gov.bc.ca/ener/)

I wish you success in advancing your projects, and I encourage you to contact Mines and Mineral Resources Division staff for any further assistance you may require. Mr. Robb's Executive Assistant, Mrs. Kate Musgrove, may be reached at 250-952-0470.


Sincerely,



Elaine McKnight  
Deputy Minister

cc: Mr. Peter Robb  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
Mines and Mineral Resources Division  
Ministry of Energy and Mines

SIGNED AND DELIVERED on behalf of Geoscience BC



Signature of Signing Authority

March 27, 2017

Date

CARLOS J. SALAS Acting President & CEO  
Printed Name and Title of Signing Authority

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**From:** Mike Cathro s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2017 4:49 PM  
**To:** Robb, Peter L. MEM:EX; 'Rhonda Schultz'; Musgrove, Kate MEM:EX  
**Cc:** Carlos Salas; McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX  
**Subject:** Re: Signed Geoscience BC grant letter

Thanks very much Peter,

Yes, many more years good work together!

The other should come to you tomorrow.

Best Regards,

Mike Cathro

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**From:** Peter Robb  
**Date:** Monday, March 27, 2017 at 4:47 PM  
**To:** 'Rhonda Schultz' , "Musgrove, Kate MEM:EX"  
**Cc:** Carlos Salas , Mike Cathro , "McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX"  
**Subject:** RE: Signed Geoscience BC grant letter

Thanks the cheque is now being processes.

Look forward to ongoing good work between us.

Cheers,

**Peter Robb**  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
Ministry of Energy and Mines  
Cell: 250 812 7392

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Natural Resource Sector

# REQUEST FOR GOVERNMENT TRANSFER

## COMPLETE THIS SECTION AFTER APPROVALS TO INITIATE PAYMENT

INVOICE NUMBER:

INVOICE PAYMENT AMOUNT

### MINISTRY AND TRANSFER PAYMENT IDENTIFICATION

MINISTRY:	ENERGY AND MINES	BRANCH	
BRANCH CONTACT NAME:	Peter Robb	DIVISION:	Mines and Mineral Resources
PROJECT TITLE:	Geoscience BC Funding	PHONE:	
START DATE:	03/31/17	END DATE:	03/31/19
		TOTAL AMOUNT:	\$10,000,000

### RECIPIENT IDENTIFICATION

LEGAL NAME OF RECIPIENT:	Geoscience BC Society
RECIPIENT'S ADDRESS:	1101-750 West Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C.
REPRESENTATIVE'S NAME:	NOBIN Archdekin
DATE OF REQUEST	March 10, 2017
E-MAIL:	
PHONE:	
FAX:	

### PROJECT DETAILS

PURPOSE OF PROJECT:	Research
DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT	Encourage mineral and oil and gas exploration investment in British Columbia through the collection, interpretation and distribution of publicly available, applied geoscience. In addition to technical activities, Geoscience BC will engage with First Nations, community outreach and marketing of results as components of project activities.
EXPLANATION AS TO HOW THE TRANSFER SUPPORTS THE MINISTRY SERVICE PLAN & OBJECTIVES [REQUIREMENT OF CPPM 21.3.1]	Supports and facilitates a thriving and competitive mining sector in order to create jobs and economic growth in communities across the province.
WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED OUTCOMES AND HOW WILL THE MINISTRY DETERMINE THAT THEY HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED?	Improve industry competitiveness to attract investment in British Columbia. Geoscience BC will provide the Province with an annual report that summarizes projects supported by the provincial government including interim financial statements of Geoscience BC.
PARTNERSHIPS INVOLVED:	NA
MINISTRY'S ROLE:	Funding Support
WHAT MONITORING IS IN PLACE? EXAMPLE: • PERFORMANCE TARGETS • MILESTONES	Annual project report summarizing the projects supported by the Province of British Columbia.
RECIPIENT IS:	<input type="checkbox"/> WITHIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUTSIDE GOVERNMENT REPORTING ENTITY

### TRANSFER TYPE AND SELECTION PROCESS

- ☒ GRANT -STOB 77 – PGO PO Class: G
- ☐ SHARED COST ARRANGEMENT - STOB 80 - PGO PO Class: A
- TYPE OF SCA ARRANGEMENT: FINANCING ARRANGEMENT
- IF FINANCING ARRANGEMENT IS CHOSEN - EXPLAIN WHY IT IS NOT REASONABLE FOR THE RECIPIENT TO WAIT FOR REIMBURSEMENT

TRADE AGREEMENT EXCLUSION CODE	300 - PURCHASE OF AN EXEMPTED GOOD/SERVICE
SELECT THE CODE FOR THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS USED.	602 Other - Grants and Entitlements
IF DIRECT AWARD, PROVIDE RATIONALE. [IF CODE 208 WAS SELECTED ABOVE, INCLUDE SPECIFIED TARGET GROUP]	N/A

IF A COMPETITIVE PROCESS WAS USED  
CHOOSE THE DOCUMENT TYPE & PROCESS

SOLICITATION DOCUMENT TYPE **Choose a Document Type.**  
[INCLUDE DOCUMENTATION WITH COMPLIANCE REVIEW]

PROCESS USED **Choose the Process Used.**

### BUDGET

ACCOUNT CODING	CLIENT (MINISTRY)	RESPONSIBILITY	SERVICE LINE	STOB	PROJECT
	057	s.22	s.22	7703	2700000
PAYMENT METHOD	<b>'D' CHEQUE</b> IF 'D' cheque, provide instructions & mailing address: <b>MINISTRY OF ENERGY &amp; MINES, 1810 BLANSHARD ST, PO Box 9320, STN. PROV. GOVT. VICTORIA, B.C. V8W 9N3</b> <b>ATTN: JULIE HUTCHINS</b>				
FUNDING SOURCE:	<input type="checkbox"/> Base Budget <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contingency <input type="checkbox"/> Special Account <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Funding is available within the division <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Funding is not available within the division but approved within the Ministry Treasury Board Approval Number – <input type="checkbox"/> Funding is recoverable Recovery Source:                      Recovery Amount \$				
BUDGET BREAKDOWN:	\$10,000,000                      FY16/17 \$                                      FY				
GST APPLICABLE?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO    VOTE <b>Choose a Vote Number.</b>				

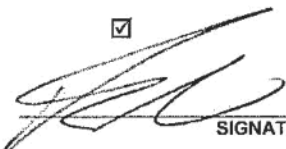
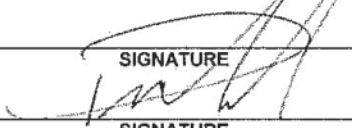
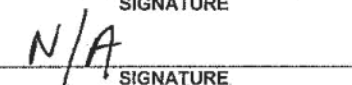
### RECIPIENT CAPACITY

WHAT DUE DILIGENCE WAS DONE TO ASSURE THAT THE RECIPIENT HAS SUFFICIENT CAPACITY TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT? [REQUIREMENT OF CPPM 21.3.5]	The Ministry of Energy and Mines has supported Geoscience BC over the last 10 years and the results of this funding have been evident with the increase in investments within the mineral and oil and gas industries.
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### RISKS

IDENTIFY RISKS AND STEPS TAKEN TO MITIGATE THE RISKS: EXAMPLE: FINANCIAL, SAFETY, PUBLIC RELATIONS ETC.	Geoscience BC has a mandate to collect, interpret and market geoscience data to help ensure that BC's mineral exploration and mining and oil and gas industries remain innovative, competitive and sustainable.
WHAT ARE THE RISKS IF THIS TRANSFER DOES NOT PROCEED?	Not proceeding with this funding support would seriously affect BC's ability to attract critical mineral and energy industry investment into the Province.
OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THE TRANSFER WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT EXISTING INDUSTRY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THE TRANSFER WILL NOT CREATE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST BETWEEN PARTIES

### APPROVAL

POLICY REVIEW COMPLETED AND ATTACHED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BUDGET REVIEW COMPLETED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER NAME: Ranbir Parmar	 SIGNATURE
EXPENSE AUTHORITY NAME: Peter Robb	 SIGNATURE
ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER (PROGRAM) NAME: Peter Robb	 SIGNATURE
EXECUTIVE FINANCIAL OFFICER (FLNRO only) NAME:	N/A SIGNATURE
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