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Scott McCannell Executive Director Professional Employees Association

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Dear Scott McCannell:

Thank you for your letter of November 25, 2021, inquiring about Leave for Meritorious Service (Appendix H) on behalf of Government Licensed Professionals. I can confirm meritorious service leave was activated for the recent 2021 extreme weather and flooding emergency event. This information has been communicated to your members across the public service who were deployed in support of the emergency response.

I appreciate the ongoing commitment of your members in supporting communities and British Columbians across the province in responding to the widespread damage caused by the severe flooding and landslides. Their extraordinary efforts are deeply appreciated.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Jara Richards

Sincerely,

Tara Richards Deputy Minister

Emergency Management BC

pc: Stephen Brown, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health

Lori Halls, Deputy Minister, Lands and Natural Resources Operations Secretariat Kaye Krishna, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Rick Manwaring, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource

Operations, and Rural Development

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