



October 31, 2003

Mr. Serge Charbonneau  
Chairperson, Canadian Institute of Actuaries  
Committee on Pension Plan Financial Reporting  
c/o CIA Secretariat  
150 Metcalfe Street, Suite 800  
Ottawa ON K2P 1P1

Dear Mr. Charbonneau:

Re: Standard of Practice for Determining Pension Commuted Values

I am writing to advise the Canadian Institute of Actuaries (CIA) Committee on Pension Plan Financial Reporting that the Canadian Association of Pension Supervisory Authorities (CAPSA) accepts the proposed Standard of Practice for Determining Pension Commuted Values. We acknowledge and commend the CIA on the considerable effort that went into devising this new standard. For the purpose of our deliberations, the background information and analysis provided in your September 10, 2003 letter, and the CIA's presentation to CAPSA on September 26, 2003 proved to be quite useful.

Please advise us of the CIA's schedule for implementing the new standard. We would request that in setting that schedule, the CIA take into account the fact that some jurisdictions will need to make legislative or regulatory changes if they are to implement the new standard. As such, a reasonable amount of notice will be required in order for the legislative changes to coincide with the CIA's adoption of the standard.

CAPSA looks forward to involvement in any future impact assessment and review of the new standard and ongoing participation in the development of other standards affecting pension plans.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Nancy MacNeill Smith  
Chair, CAPSA

cc. Brian Fitzgerald, President, Canadian Institute of Actuaries  
CAPSA Members