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Dear Mr. Massie:

Thank you for your email regarding funding resources at the Saskatchewan Archives Board. The Government of Saskatchewan values the services provided by the Saskatchewan Archives and its role in ensuring the long-term preservation of the documentary heritage of our Province.

The 2012-13 provincial allocation to the Saskatchewan Archives Board of \$4.341 million reflects an increase in its annual operating grant. The Saskatchewan Archives Board has prepared a balanced budget in 2012-13 and is taking all necessary measures to ensure that public and private records are acquired for archival preservation in a timely manner and that services to the public continue to the fullest extent possible.

The Office of the Provincial Capital Commission is working with the Board in overcoming shortages in staffing resources. In the meantime, the Archives Board is exploring all options to restore full public Reference hours at its offices in Regina and Saskatoon as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued interest in the preservation and research use of the heritage resources of the Province.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Bill Hutchinson'.

Bill Hutchinson
Provincial Capital Commission

cc: Harley Olsen, Chief Executive Officer, Provincial Capital Commission
Linda McIntyre, Provincial Archivist, Saskatchewan Archives Board