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CIRCULAR LETTER TO ALL BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND SURVEYORS

Re: Surveyor General's Instruction Regulation

I am pleased to advise you that by Order-in-Council the above regulation was approved and was published in Part 2 of the B. C. Gazette as Regulation Number 556/80.

The enclosed copy of the new regulation is for insertion in your "blue book" loose leaf binder, and will replace the following old regulations:

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| B. C. Reg. | 68/70 | Monumentation |
| " | " | 576/74 Cadastral Surveys in Integrated Areas |
| " | " | 577/74 Control Surveys in Integrated Areas |
| " | " | 4/70 Land Act |
| " | " | 5/70 Land Registry Act |
| " | " | 87/78 Strata Title Act |
| " | " | 222/67 E and N Grant Explanatory Plans |
| " | " | 6/70 General Rights-of-Way |
| " | " | 69/70 Highway Rights-of-Way |
| " | " | 305/59 Railway Rights-of-Way |
| " | " | 577/76) "Pink" Metric Alternatives |
| " | " | 578/76) |

Additional copies of the regulation are available from this office to surveyors in possession of extra "blue book" binders. A limited number of binders is in stock, and these are available to authorized persons at a price of \$10.00 per complete book plus provincial tax.

Articled students should apply to the Corporation Office for the new regulation.

You will note that the new regulation supersedes all but the existing Mineral Act regulation. Certain non survey regulations issued by other ministries (Mines, Municipal Affairs etc.) are relevant and should be retained in your cover.

The new format of the regulation complies with the requirements of Legislative Counsel. It is one regulation divided into parts covering the various subjects, with consecutive section numbering.

Regulation content is largely the same as in the old regulations. The new regulation confirms the necessity for all surveys now to be submitted in metric form. Registrars may exercise discretion in considering acceptance of non-complying plans, surveys of which were commenced and "on stream" prior to this regulation becoming effective. Significant new sections include the heavy black line option rather than red outline; necessity of a bar scale on all plans; hatching in a prescribed manner for specific purposes; rights-of-way subject to completion of clearing and pipeline constructions before posting; necessity to replace wooden posts with a type 4 post or better at original corners tied to on any right-of-way survey; and revised specifications for the type 1 post concrete monolith to permit suitable "tube" material being used as a form.

Certain supplementary information contained in the old regulations could not be included in the new regulations, but is considered necessary or of sufficient interest to warrant distribution. Accordingly, this has been printed and enclosed with your copy of the regulations. It is entitled "Supplemental Information Relative to Surveyor General's Instruction Regulation, 1980", and contains the following:

- (1) With reference to Section 4, the types of posts available from government offices.
- (2) Schedule of payment to surveyors for survey connections made in excess of those required under Sec. 61, and for the reposting of original corners in allowable circumstances.
- (3) Extracts from statutes and regulations pertaining to the protection of survey monuments.
- (4) Explanatory notes concerning timber licenses.

You may wish to cross reference these items at the appropriate places in the regulations.

Yours truly,



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Surveyor General.