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Premier outlines priorities and actions to cabinet in mandate letters

Contracts with ministers will create a stronger Alberta

Edmonton... Premier Ed Stelmach has released new mandate letters for his cabinet team. Priority activities are highlighted that support Alberta's return to prosperity and create the foundation for Alberta to emerge from the current economic downturn in the strongest financial position of all provinces.

"These are challenging times as Alberta emerges from the most significant global economic crisis in over half a century," said Stelmach. "Our government must continue to be adaptable and resilient in response to changing conditions. I believe Alberta's future is bright. The thoughtful choices we have made and the significant actions we have taken ensure that our best days are yet to come."

The Premier said that the contracts with Ministers will create a stronger Alberta that will have the best financial position of all provinces, the most innovative and competitive economy in North America, the best performing health-care system in Canada and the most advanced infrastructure in North America.

In the mandate letters, Stelmach said he expects ministers to fulfill other responsibilities in addition to those outlined in the letters in the coming year and that all cabinet members must work together to support the government's priorities.

Ministerial mandate letters were first issued in December 2006 as part of Premier Stelmach's commitment to open and accountable government.

A copy of each Minister's mandate letter can be found on Premier Stelmach's website:
<http://www.premier.alberta.ca/Team/index.cfm>

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