# REGISTRY OF THE COMPETITION TRIBUNAL Quarterly Financial Report For the guarter ended September 30, 2011

## Statement outlining results, risks and significant changes in operations, personnel and program

#### Introduction

This quarterly report has been prepared by management as required by section 65.1 of the *Financial Administration Act* and in the form and manner prescribed by the Treasury Board. This quarterly report should be read in conjonction with the Main Estimates. It has not been subject to an external audit or review.

A summary description of the Registry of the Competition Tribunal's program activities can be found in Part II of the Main Estimates.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

This quarterly report has been prepared by management using an expenditure basis of accounting. The accompanying Statement of Authorities includes the department's spending authorities granted by Parliament and those used by the department consistent with the Main Estimates for the 2011-2012 fiscal year. This quarterly report has been prepared using a special purpose financial reporting framework designed to meet financial information needs with respect to the use of spending authorities.

The authority of Parliament is required before moneys can be spent by the Government. Approvals are given in the form of annually approved limits through appropriation acts or through legislation in the form of statutory spending authority for specific purposes.

When Parliament is dissolved for the purposes of a general election, section 30 of the *Financial Administration Act* authorizes the Governor General, under certain conditions, to issue a special warrant authorizing the Government to withdraw funds from the Consolidated Revenue Fund. A special warrant is deemed to be an appropriation for the fiscal year in which it is issued.

The Registry of the Competition Tribunal uses the full accrual method of accounting to prepare and present its annual departmental financial statements that are part of the departmental performance reporting process. However, the spending authorities voted by Parliament remain on an expenditure basis.

#### Highlights of fiscal quarter and fiscal year to date (YTD) results

#### Changes to Authorities

Overall, the spending authorities increased from \$ 2,158,977 in 2010-2011 to \$ 2,423,992 in 2011-2012. This increase was primarily due to a change in budgetary authorities because of an adjustment to the calculation of rates under the employees benefit plan.

#### Changes to Expenditures

Compared to the previous year, the expenditures recorded in the second quarter ending September 30, 2011 increased by \$50 008 thousand, from \$694 979 thousand to \$744 987 thousand. This slight difference results from the cost of publicity that is required in the processing of cases.

The Registry spent less than 50% of its authorities in the second quarter due to the limited number of hearings that took place during that period. A number of hearing days are already scheduled to take place in the next quarters. The percentage of expenses will increase when expenses related to those hearings materialize.

#### **Risks and Uncertainties**

This Departmental Quarterly Financial Report (QFR) reflects the results of the current fiscal period in relation to the Main Estimates for which full supply was released on June 27, 2011. Budget 2010 announced that the operating budgets of departments would be frozen at their 2010-11 levels for the fiscal years 2011-12 and 2012-13.

The Registry is funded through voted parliamentary spending authorities and statutory authorities for program expenditures. As a result, its operations are impacted by any changes in funding approved by Parliament. The Registry has no control over the number of applications filed at the Tribunal it can only react to external demands. The number of applications brought before the Tribunal depends on the enforcement policy adopted by the Compertition Bureau and the number of applications filed by individuals or companies under the private access provisions of the Act.

#### Significant changes in relation to operations, personnel and programs

There have been no significant changes in relation to operations and personnel over the last year.

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### STATEMENT OF AUTHORITIES (unaudited)

(in dollars)

		Fiscal Year 2011-12			Fiscal Year 2010-11		
	Total available for use for the year ending March 31, 2012	Used during the quarter ended September 30, 2011	Year to date used at quarter-end	Total available for use for the year ending March 31, 2011	Used during the quarter ended September 30, 2010	Year to date used at quarter-end	
Vote 55 - Net Program expenditures	2,159,832	343,976	660,582	1,907,001	335,764	628,750	
Vote 25 - Operating Budget Carry Forward	95,350	-	-	93,026			
Budgetary statutory authorities	168,810	42,202	84,405	158,950	39,737	66,229	
Total Budgetary authoritites	2,423,992	386,178	744,987	2,158,977	375,501	694,979	
Non-budgetary authorities	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total authorities	2,423,992	386,178	744,987	2,158,977	375,501	694,979	
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### Departmental budgetary expenditures by Standard Object (unaudited) (in dollars)

Fiscal Year 2011-12			Fiscal Year 2010-11		
•	Expended during the quarter ended September 30, 2011	Year to date used at quarter-end	Planned expenditures for the year ending March 31, 2011	Expended during the quarter ended September 30, 2010	Year to date used at quarter-end
1,106,642	248,995	505,273	1,093,951	291,761	534,631
267,831	12,357	48,918	215,546	19,696	37,474
48,812	77,054	77,275	18,589	-	211
744,004	43,704	99,221	577,434	34,560	84,291
34,697	724	3,325	16,765	724	1,448
222,006	1,109	8,162	236,692	24,971	30,995
-	2,235	2,814	-	3,789	5,929
2,423,992	386,178	744,987	2,158,977	375,501	694,979
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