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November 1, 2014

Ms. Sheila Kitz County of St. Paul 5015- 49 Avenue St. Paul AB TOA 3A4

Dear Ms. Kitz,

At the November 1, 2014 meeting the Northern Lights Library System Board approved the 2015 budget. In order to not have a deficit budget and retain the level of services to the ratepayers of your municipality, the proposed budget includes a \$0.1944 per capita levy increase for Municipalities and their Library Boards and a \$0.3888 per capita levy increase for Board of Record Municipalities.

Currently the levies are as follows:

\$4.8756 per capita

Municipality

\$4.8756 per capita

Municipal Library Board

\$9.8756 per capita

Municipality without Library Board

The proposed increase would be as follows:

\$5.07 per capita

Municipality

\$5.07 per capita

Municipal Library Board

\$10.14 per capita

Municipality without Library Board

This would be an increase of \$1,151.82 above last year paid by the municipality and the library board. The total levy for 2015 would be \$30,039.75 from County of St. Paul.

For these increases to come into effect, the NLLS agreement must be amended. The amendment formula requires "written notification from 2/3 of the Parties to the Agreement, that they have so authorized such an amendment" (Section 17.1 Northern Lights Library System Agreement).

This letter is notification of the amendment. Each member municipality is asked to respond to the following question:

Are you in favor of the proposed levy increases as outlined above?

We would ask you, please place this item on the agenda of your next council meeting in order to respond in writing to the above noted question by December 31, 2014. If the amendment is approved, the levy increase to the municipalities will come into effect as of January 1, 2015.

If you have any questions, you may contact your Northern Lights Library Board member representative. A copy of the budget is available from your Northern Lights Library Board member representative.

Regards,

Arnold Hanson,

Chairman

Northern Lights Library System Board

Mircea Panciuk Executive Director

Northern Lights Library System