

## **Patti Grier Expense Backgrounder**

Prior to February 1, 2007 when she was promoted to the position of Vice President, Government Relations & Assistant Corporate Secretary, Ms. Grier held the position of Executive Director, Office of the President and CEO. In both of these roles, Ms. Grier supported the activities of the Senior Executive and the Board and played an active role in developing and maintaining relationships with key stakeholders both within and outside of the Region. A significant portion of Ms. Grier's expenses related to supporting the activities of the Board and Executive through the coordination of meetings and functions and stakeholder relations. As a result, Ms. Grier incurred expenses for hosting, gifts and related expenses to a much greater degree than some of the other Executives and this is reflected in the findings below.

With the formation of Alberta Health Services (AHS) in May 2008, there were no formal policies in place nor was there any method to pay for expenses of the new Board and Board office. As a result, from the formation of AHS to the end of the audit period (December 31, 2008), all expenses related to the AHS Board, the Board members and the Board office were charged to Ms. Grier's corporate credit card.