

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**ELECTIONS MANITOBA**

To Donald Bruce Benham, Official Agent for Donald Hugh John Benham, the Candidate

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying Form 922, Candidate's Financial Statements and Supporting Schedules, which comprises the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus as at December 5, 2011 and the Statement of Income, Expenses and Transfers for the Candidacy of Donald Hugh John Benham for the Candidacy Period from September 6, 2011 to December 5, 2011 relating to the election held on October 4, 2011 in the Electoral Division of Tuxedo and a note describing the basis of accounting (the "statements"). The statements have been prepared by the Official Agent based on the financial reporting provisions of the Elections Finances Act as issued by Elections Manitoba.

Official Agent's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Official Agent is responsible for the preparation of the statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Elections Finances Act as issued by Elections Manitoba, and for such internal control as the Official Agent determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Official Agent, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Due to the nature of the types of transactions inherent in any election campaign, the completeness of contribution and fundraising income and income and expenses relating to donations in kind is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our examination of contribution and fundraising income and income and expenses relating to donations in kind was limited to the amounts recorded in the accounting records of the campaign and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to assets, liabilities, income, expenses and candidacy period surplus.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, Form 922, Candidate's Financial Statements and Supporting Schedules for Donald Hugh John Benham for the candidacy period of September 6, 2011 to December 5, 2011 relating to the election held on October 4, 2011 in the Electoral Division of Tuxedo are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Elections Finances Act as issued by Elections Manitoba.

Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The statements are prepared to comply with the financial reporting provisions of the Elections Finances Act as issued by Elections Manitoba. The statements are filed with Elections Manitoba in accordance with the Elections Finances Act. As a result, the statements may not be suitable for any other purpose.

February 22, 2012
Winnipeg, Canada



Magnus Chartered Accountants LLP

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Candidate's Financial Statements
and Supporting Schedules

ELECTIONS MANITOBA

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(To be filed within 4 months after Election Day.
Complete the form in ink.)

For the Candidacy Period

Date September 06, 2011

To

Date December 05, 2011

Candidate

Name

Benham, Donald Hugh John

Electoral Division

Tuxedo

Endorsing Political Party (If applicable)

The Manitoba Greens

Official Agent

Name

Donald Bruce Benham

Auditor

Name of Auditor

Magnus Chartered Accountants LLP

Name of Professional Accountant to Whom Inquiry May be Directed (if different than above)

Brett Magnus

Declaration

I, the undersigned Official Agent, hereby file a completed Form 922 *Candidate's Financial Statements and Supporting Schedules* - along with an Auditor's Report from a qualified auditor. I also hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained herein is complete, true and correct and in compliance with the requirements of *The Elections Finances Act*.

Signature of Official Agent

Date

Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus as at the End of the Candidacy Period

Assets

100 Cash	\$ Nil	
110 Accounts Receivable		
120 Inventory *		
Other Assets (provide details)		
130		
140		

150 Total Assets (total of line 100 to 140)

\$ Nil

Liabilities and Surplus

200 Accounts Payable	\$ Nil	← From line 840
210 Overdraft/ Line of Credit **		
220 Loans **		
Other Liabilities (provide details)		
230		
240		
250 Candidacy Period Surplus/(Deficit)	Nil	← From line 440

Lines 150 and 290 must be the same.

290 Total Liabilities and Surplus (total of line 200 to 250)

\$ Nil

* Inventory as of the end of the candidacy period would include items purchased but not used (i.e. expensed). Inventory should also be taken as of 8pm on Election Day in order to exclude the value from the amount reported as election expenses

** A written copy of each loan agreement must be filed separately if there was a loan, line of credit, or bank overdraft in existence at any time to the candidate during the candidacy period.

Statement of Income, Expenses and Transfers for the Candidacy Period

Income and Transfers

300 Contributions	\$ 145.64	←	From line 630, column C
310 Transfers from endorsing political party	52.25	←	From line 720
320 Transfers from candidate's constituency association		←	From line 760
330 Fund raising			
Other Income (provide details)			
340			
350			
390 Total Income and Transfers (total of line 300 to 350)		line 390	\$ 197.89

Expenses and Transfers

400 Election expenses	\$ 197.89	←	From line 595
410 Non - election expenses		←	From line 590, column D
415 Transfer of money to endorsing political party			
420 Transfer of goods and services to endorsing political party			
430 Total Expenses and Transfers (total of line 400 to 420)		line 430	\$ 197.89
440 Candidacy Period Surplus/(Deficit) (line 390 minus line 430)		line 440	\$ Nil
			↗ To line 250

Provide the amount of bank charges and loan interest incurred from the close of the polls to 4 months after Election Day. (Not required if candidate did not qualify for reimbursement)

Bank Charges	line 599	\$
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Schedule 2 - Contributions to a Candidate (Including Donations in Kind)

A. Contributions Summary

		A	B	C (A plus B)
	Aggregate Contributions of:	Cash	Donations in Kind	Total of all Contributions
600	\$250 or more			
610	\$25 or more but less than \$250		145.64	145.64
620	Less than \$25			
630	Total	\$	\$ 145.64	\$ 145.64

← Enter line 630, column C total on line 300

B. Contributions of \$250 or More

(Complete part B only if the aggregate value of the contributions (cash and donations in kind) from any individual normally resident in Manitoba was \$250 or more during the candidacy period.)

Name of Contributor (alphabetical order)	Residential Address	Aggregate Value of Contributions

Additional pages attached?

Yes _____

No X

Schedule 3 - Transfers from Endorsing Political Party

(Complete only if the candidate's campaign received transfers from the candidate's endorsing political party)

A. Total value of all cash transfers received during the candidacy period from the candidate's endorsing political party: line 700 \$

B. Total value of all transfers of goods or services during the candidacy period from the candidate's endorsing political party: line 710 \$ 52.25

C. Total transfers from candidate's endorsing political party: line 720 \$ 52.25
(total of line 700 to 710)

← **To line 310**

D. If you entered an amount on line 710, report the value of goods or services that were used in the election period: line 730 \$ 52.25

Schedule 4 - Transfers from Candidate's Constituency Association

(Complete only if the candidate's campaign received transfers from the candidate's constituency association.)

A. Total value of all **cash transfers** received during the candidacy period from the candidate's constituency association: line 740 \$ _____

B. Total value of all **transfers of goods or services** during the candidacy period from the candidate's constituency association: line 750 \$ _____

C. Total transfers from the candidate's constituency association: line 760 \$ _____
(total of line 740 to 750)

← To line 320

D. If you entered an amount on line 750, disclose the value of goods or services that were used in the election period: line 770 \$ _____

If the aggregate value of transfers, as calculated on line 760 is \$250 or more, provide the following information:

E. Were there contributions of \$250 or more to the constituency association endorsing the candidate during the candidacy period?

 X No (no further information is required)

 Yes (complete the schedule below)

Name and Manitoba Residential Address of Contributors of \$250 or more to the Constituency Association (attach list if necessary)	\$ Aggregate Value of Contribution

List attached?

Yes

No X

Schedule 5 - Reconciliation of Income Tax Receipts

(Complete only if the candidate was registered to issue income tax receipts - i.e. Form 911 was filed with Elections Manitoba)

Total number of income tax receipts received from Elections Manitoba line 780 _____

Total number of income tax receipts returned to Elections Manitoba:

☒ Issued to Contributors line 790 _____

← Return Elections
Manitoba copies only.

☒ Voided or cancelled line 800 _____

← Return all three
copies.

☒ Unused line 810 _____

← Return all three
copies.

Total number of income tax receipts returned to Elections Manitoba line 820 _____
(total of line 790 to 810)

Total unreturned income tax receipts (line 780 minus line 820) line 830 _____

Please provide receipt numbers and an explanation for any unreturned income tax receipts.

Schedule 6 - Accounts Payable

(Complete only if there are amounts owing to suppliers at the end of the candidacy period. **Do not** include loans payable)

Name of Supplier	Description of Expense	\$ Amount
	Total accounts payable	line 840 \$

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To line 200

Schedule 7 - Candidate's Disability Expenses

(Complete only if reasonable expenses were incurred by a disabled candidate in relation to a candidate's disability to enable the candidate to campaign in an election period)

* Per section 1.1 of the *Elections Finance Act* reasonable expenses are those that are over and above the expenses normally incurred by the candidate.

List and describe the nature of the expenses incurred and the amounts claimed.

Description of Expense		\$ Value of expense incurred
Total disability expenses	line 850	\$

← To line 515, column D

Candidate's Signature

Date

Schedule 8 - Candidate's Child Care Expenses

(Complete only if reasonable expenses* were incurred by a candidate in relation to child care expenses to enable the candidate to campaign in an election period)

* Per section 1.1 of the *Elections Finance Act* reasonable expenses are those that are over and above the expenses normally incurred by the candidate.

List and describe the nature of the expenses incurred and the amounts claimed.

Description of Expense		\$ Value of expense incurred
Total child care expenses	line 860	\$

← To line 520, column D

Candidate's Signature

Date

Schedule 9 - Annual Limit on Advertising Expenses (outside the election period and to be completed in the year of a fixed date election)

(Complete the following schedule to calculate the amount of advertising expenses subject to the annual advertising limits. 54.1(1)(b) and s. 54.1(2)(b))

Total advertising expenses incurred during year _____ (outside the election period)

910 Endorsed candidates (from line 940) line 910 \$ _____

920 Individuals (from line 950) line 920 _____

930 Total Annual Advertising Subject to Limitation (total of line 910 to 920) **line 930** \$ _____

A. Advertising expenses incurred by the candidate outside the election period and in the year of a fixed date election.*

Details of Expense	Amount \$
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Total Line 940 \$ nil

B. Advertising expenses incurred by an individual on the candidate's behalf with the candidate's knowledge and consent outside the election period and in the year of a fixed date election.*

Name of Individual	Address	Amount \$
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Total Line 950 \$ nil

* Attach separate list if necessary.

CANDIDACY OF DONALD HUGH JOHN BENHAM
NOTES TO CANDIDATE'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPORTING
SCHEDULES (FORM 922)
FOR THE CANDIDACY PERIOD SEPTEMBER 6, 2011 TO DECEMBER 5, 2011

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting requirements of *The Elections Finances Act* of Manitoba and *Accounting Guide – Accounting For Purposes of The Elections Finances Act* issued by the Chief Electoral Officer. The basis of accounting used in these financial statements may differ from Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.