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Further to the inspection that was completed in June of this year, one of the items listed under business operations and reporting highlighted the fact that the business manager, Jim Johnston, was not available in regard to the day-to-day operations. It was stated in the inspection follow-up letter, that the AFSRB must be notified of changes to the business manager in writing within 7 days.

On August 24, 2023, in a response from Park Place Funeral Home regarding a complaint involving Harlee Half, the first paragraph states that certain information was not available because "...Jim Johnston has retired with Park Place Funeral Home and 2033232 Alberta Ltd (Affordable Edmonton Cremation)."

On September 1, 2023 an email was received from Jim Johnston, stating "...that effective August 1, 2023, I was no longer the Business Manager for 2033232 Alberta Ltd...."

The following sections outline the contraventions found in relation to the above correspondence:

- Under Section 18(8) of the Funeral Services Act General Regulation "A funeral services business shall provide written notification to the Director (AFSRB) within 7 days if there is a change in the appointment of its business manager and provide the Director with the name of the replacement business manager."
- Under Section 21.2 of the Funeral Services Act General Regulation "A business manager's licence expires automatically when (b) the business manager advises the Director in notice by writing that he or she has ceased to act as business manager."

On August 31, 2023, an email received from Park Place Funeral Home addressing the inspection deficiencies, stated "Business Manger is actively back to duties".

The following section outlines the contravention found in regard to the above correspondence:

- Under Section 29(d) of the Funeral Services Act, "Any person who furnishes false information or misrepresents any fact or circumstance to the Director, a delegate of the Director or an inspector, is guilty of an offence."

The AFSRB has provided 2033232 Alberta Ltd. with all the information needed to comply with the Funeral Services Act General Regulation for business manager requirements. However, the correspondence that the AFSRB has received indicates that the requirement to comply with the business manager appointment by 2033232 Alberta Ltd, has been contravened.

At this time, the AFSRB will not be pursuing the offence under section 29(d) of the Funeral Services Act. However, under Schedule 4, Administrative Penalties, the contravention of section 18(8) of the Funeral Services Act General Regulation is a \$500 penalty.

2033232 Alberta Ltd has been assessed a \$500 administrative penalty, which is due on October 3, 2023 no later than 12:00 pm. In addition, a written response indicating who the business manager for 2033232 Alberta is required by end of day September 27, 2023. Failure to appoint a business manager in the timeframe indicated, may result in further disciplinary action against 2033232 Alberta Ltd.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me directly.

Karen Carruthers  
Executive Director

