

'Naughty and Nice to Taxpayers List' 2013

Naughty

Alison Redford: Premier Redford flies around the world more than Santa Claus and gives out more free gifts paid for by debt than the big man in red could ever hope to, using mere elves.

- Total expense: \$82,872
- Notable airfare expense claims:
 - o \$7,875 to New Brunswick
 - o \$6,092 to Chicago
 - o \$5,927 to Toronto
- Notable hotel expense claims:
 - o \$876/night in Washington (x2)
 - o \$772/night in New York (x3)
 - o \$635/night in Toronto (x2)
 - o \$649/night in Ottawa (x2)
- Notable meal & hospitality claims
 - o \$22 coffees in Washington
 - o \$31 hamburger in Washington

Doug Horner: Government debt is sort of like making the kids pay Santa for mom and dad's presents. Since Doug is leaving behind debt for the little ones, Santa is likely to leave behind a lump of coal for him this year.

- Large debt and deficit;
- Even the Auditor General can't figure out how to make sense out of his books:
- Initially banning the CTF from the budget lockup.

Thomas Lukaszuk: Less naughty than last year, but Minister Lukaszuk sure does love flying to Calgary any chance that the can get. No driving for him. He even managed to find an excuse to be in Calgary on 'government business' for five days during Stampede. The last time Santa spent five days at Stampede, the elves fell behind on Cabbage Patch Kids and Mrs. Claus made him sleep on the couch for a week. Add to this his threat to raise beer taxes, and he really had no chance of making the Nice List this year.

- Total Expenses: \$45,325
- Notable airfare expense claims:
 - o \$9,090 for European 'junket'
 - o 17 Edmonton-Calgary flights
- Notable hotel expense claims:
 - o \$1,388 for 4 nights stay during the Calgary Stampede



Mike Allen: "You know..."

Fred Horne: Minister Horne is on the naughty list for the second year running for either misplacing or not posting some pretty big receipts as he's required. Maybe they were 'nice' expenses, but that many missing receipts will land anyone on the 'naughty list.' That said, he did fire the entire AHS Board in an effort to stop undeserved bonus payouts. It helps his case, but not enough.

- Total Expenses: \$41,565
- Notable missing receipts for airfare:
 - \$5,762 to a symposium (destination not given)
 - o \$1,146 to a conference (destination not given)
 - o \$739 to a conference (destination not given)

Alana Delong: Ms. Delong has the distinction of being the only minister or MLA to have filed or posted absolutely *no* receipts at all. Until taxpayers get receipts, she only gets coal.

- Total expenses: \$4,772
- Notable missing receipts for airfare, hotels, ground transportation and "other."
 - o All of them.

Nice

Jonathan Denis: "For the second year running, Jonathan Denis has the most boring expense claim of anyone in the government. Last year, Denis even went to a German beer hall, and didn't even expense a beer.

• Total expenses: \$12,778

Don Scott: "Don easily made the Nice this year. Last year he introduced Alberta's nation-leading expense disclosure system. Just last week, he unveiled Alberta's new government salary "sunshine list." He deserves a good Christmas from Santa, and a promotion from Redford.

Wayne Drysdale: "Wayne earns a high spot on the Nice List this year for his good example. While other minister ran up bills of more than \$600 a night for hotels during the Calgary Stampede, he stayed in town for just \$177 a night. Those on the Naughty List should take note.

Manmeet Bhullar: "A big man with a small expense account, Manmeet has made some positive moves on privatizing the delivery of services. On a personal note, the CTF's Alberta Director supports his initiative to protect the right of condo owners to fly the Canadian flag on their townhouses.

• Total expenses: \$5,673



Jason Luan: "Jason had the lowest expenses recorded of any MLA or Minister. You need to get out more Jason."

• Total expenses: \$381