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To the Partners and Employees of Navigator,

On Sunday, June 8, 2014 I authored a commentary that was published in the Calgary Sun on behalf of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation (CTF) that incorrectly stated that the Auditor General of Alberta was investigating Navigator and that Mr. Jim Prentice hired Navigator while he was a federal minister.

My incorrect belief that Navigator was under investigation from the auditor general was based upon an incorrect Calgary Herald article. The Calgary Herald issued a correction for the inaccuracies in this article on May 27, 2014. Unfortunately, neither I – nor any other employee of the CTF – saw this correction.

I mention this not as an excuse for my error, but to show you that neither my, nor the CTF's intent was to harm Navigator.

My incorrect belief that Navigator was hired by Mr. Prentice as a federal minister stemmed from confusion about Navigator's work for Mr. Prentice at the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC). This was entirely my mistake and I apologize unreservedly.

The CTF has requested that a correction and apology be printed in the Calgary Sun at the soonest possible opportunity. We have already removed all references to Navigator from the commentary at taxpayer.com and have posted a retraction and apology.

I will also post this letter of apology on our website.

I hope that Navigator will accept my correction and apology.

Truly,



Derek Fildebrandt  
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**cc: Hon. Jim Prentice, PC, QC**