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NEXT STEPS IN MOVING FORWARD
SOCIETY OF PM PROFESSIONALS

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There continues to be a strong response from PMPs in the Vancouver area to idea of establishing an independent, unaffiliated, and volunteer organization, devoted to advancing and supporting the Project Management Profession. Since May of this year, nearly half the PMPs in the Vancouver area have confirmed their interest in joining together to form the Society of PM Professionals of Greater Vancouver. As shown on the attached text file, we have so far received positive responses to the formation of the Society from 53 PMPs.

The principal goal will be to assist each other in maintaining our PMP designations through educational and other professional development activities. There are low-cost, local, and self-managed options for earning re-certification credits. The Society will be a vehicle for taking advantage of these options.

The inaugural Professional Development Seminar on September 20, 2000, as reported below, was an unqualified success. Plans are now in preparation for a second seminar early in the new year. Additional volunteer seminar presenters are needed to fill our program of three seminars for the year 2001.

Also in the new year, we want to establish the Society formally, through the adoption of a constitution and the election of a slate officers to succeed the current, self-appointed interim officers. To this end, we want to formally register all PMPs as members. There is no plan to charge a membership fee.

SEPTEMBER 20TH SEMINAR A SUCCESS

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Our First Professional Development Day was a success. All thirty available spaces were subscribed in advance of the full-day event, held at the Holiday Inn, Metrotown. The four presentations received high ratings on the evaluation forms, and there was a consensus that at least three similar events should be held each year.

The participants were each entitled to claim seven PDUs for the day. The presenters could claim additional PDUs for their time to prepare and deliver the presentations.

NEXT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR
NOW IN PLANNING

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Brian Boone, PMP, has volunteered to serve as Project Manager for the next full-day Professional Development seminar. The dates under consideration are January 17, 2001 or February 21, 2001. Both are Wednesdays, and those who wish could stay for the evening PMI dinner meeting. Once again, the plan is to charge on a cost-recovery basis. The fee for the entire day will be below \$50, for refreshments, food, and the seminar binder.

Brian has a list of volunteer PMP presenters, but not all have yet been able to make commitments because of uncertainties in their work and travel schedules. In addition, volunteers are needed for facilitating the interactive workshops which will follow each presentation.

Each PMP is a candidate seminar presenter. The Society is based on the principle that we learn from each other, and each of us has valuable experience to share or facilitation skills to contribute. Additional PMP volunteer presenters and facilitators, either for this seminar or future seminars, should contact Brian Boone:

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CONSTITUTING A FORMAL SOCIETY

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In conjunction with the Winter 2001 Seminar, we plan a brief business meeting to adopt a constitution and to elect officers. Dale Hawley, Interim Registrar, is initiating a membership registration drive. We must a formal membership roll prior to the meeting. We will distribute the membership application form to you soon.

VANCOUVER AREA PMPs

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The attached text file contains a list of all the Vancouver Area PMPs we know about. If you have not contacted the Society yet, please send a message indicating your interest in participating and in being kept informed. There may others you know who should be on the list, or you may know of some who have moved away. Please contact Dale Hawley, Interim Registrar, or any officer if you have new information

CONTACT THE OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY

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Jim Tucker has served as Interim Registrar until November, 2000, and we thank him for his contributions.

Regards,

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