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Dear Bonnie:

## Re: Hepatitis C Fund - Examination of Expenses

We are writing to you in response to your memorandum dated March 21, 2001 regarding the passing of our accounts.

The year end audit commenced this week and accordingly, we will not know all our costs until the end of May 2001, at which time we will provide you with a full accounting.

Our budgets for the audit work, as set out in our proposal dated November 1999 and November 10, 2000, would appear to be sufficient to cover our fees for the audit. However, we have incurred additional time which is outside the scope of our original audit proposals. The time relates to meetings and conference calls to discuss the Fund and issues with respect the audit. This time was not anticipated when we originally proposed on the work.

We have attached a detailed invoice for this time and would be pleased to discuss it with you at your convenience. The estimated fees for the 2001 audits, excluding GST, are detailed below:

Annual audit	\$45,000
6 month audit	\$6,500
Financial statement preparation	\$10,000
Crawford – specific procedures	\$5,500 to \$10,500
CBS/Hema Quebec – specific procedures	\$8,000 to \$10,500



With respect to our fees for the year ended March 31, 2002, in accordance with our proposal, we will maintain our budget from 2001, with the exception of the financial statement preparation. We would anticipate the fee for 2002 to be significantly less than \$10,000.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours very truly,

**DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP** 

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