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Dear Client,

We are pleased to remind you that tax season is once again upon us. Canada Revenue Agency will begin accepting and processing 2024 tax returns on February 24th, 2025. The tax filing deadline is Wednesday, April 30th, 2025 this year, or Tuesday June 17th, 2025 if you or your spouse are reporting self-employment income. All payments of taxes owing, however, are due by April 30th, 2025, whether you are self-employed or not.

You should receive your T4, T4A, and T5 slips by the end of February, although T3 slips (Statement of Trust Income) may not be received until the end of March or early April.

Attached to this letter, please find a checklist that may help you in gathering your tax information. This may not be a complete list of all your tax information but please use it as a good reminder of your 2024 tax material.

It is important to make us aware of major life events such as the birth of a child, your child attending a post secondary institution, change of marital status, sale of capital property including your personal residence, ownership of foreign property, new medical expenses and/or eligibility of disability tax credit, or any government subsidies. These events may have income tax consequences.

We would also like to reiterate the services that we can provide to our personal tax clients. In addition to our professional tax preparation and electronic filing service, we also advise our clients on tax matters that may arise during the year, we respond to requests for information from Canada Revenue Agency on their Pre-Assessment and Post Assessment Review programs, and we forward payments to Canada Revenue Agency for any tax program on our clients' behalf. There may be an additional fee for these services.

Beginning on **Monday, March 10th** this year and ending on Wednesday April 30th, we will extend our office hours to enable our clients more time to drop off tax information and pick up as well. We will be open 9 AM to 6 PM Monday to Thursday, Fridays 9 AM to 4:30 PM (closed on April 18th for Good Friday), and from 10 AM – 2 PM on Saturday starting March 15th. **We prepare returns on a first come, first served basis. Therefore, we can only promise to complete returns by the April 30th deadline if they are received on or before April 20th.**

Reminder: “Available Payments Summary” letters

At the end of May 2024, the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) issued the first annual “Available Payments Summary” letter to taxpayers who have available payments on their account. Taxpayers who are signed up for e-notifications received an email notification of the letter. Taxpayers and their authorized representatives can view these letters through the Agency's secure portals. The “Available Payments Summary” letters direct taxpayers to log-in to My Account for Individuals to take action.

If you'd like to make an appointment to meet with us or if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to give us a call at (204) 489-2781 or email us at info@esgaccounting.ca.

Due to significant increases in costs our tax preparation fees will be increased by 10-15 %

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