



**REPORT RESPECTING BENEFITS PAID TO
MINISTERS UNDER THE
MINISTERIAL BENEFITS POLICIES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
31 March 2008**

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Report on Ministerial Benefits Policies for the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008

The **Ministerial Benefits Policy, Capital Accommodations (1.0)** provides that Members of the Executive Council who:

"... own or lease a principal residence in a Northwest Territories community outside the capital may claim reimbursement, to set maximums, for relocation and removal costs, lease costs for temporary accommodation in the capital, one-time real estate fees, as well as the costs of utilities and furniture."

The following benefits were paid under this policy in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008:

Member	Total Benefits Paid
Hon. Jackson Lafferty	\$0*
Hon. Sandy Lee	\$0*
Hon. Michael McLeod	\$20,472
Hon. Robert McLeod	\$0*
Hon. Michael Miltenberger	\$9,225
Hon. Floyd Roland	\$19,167
Hon. Norman Yakeleya	\$5,300

*Not eligible under the policy

The **Ministerial Benefits Policy, Home Travel (2.0)** provides that Members of the Executive Council who:

"... who are eligible to claim reimbursement under the Capital Accommodations Policy may also claim reimbursement, to set maximums, for expenses for themselves and their families to travel between the Capital and their home community."

The following benefits were paid under this policy in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008:

Member	Total Benefits Paid
Hon. Jackson Lafferty	\$0*
Hon. Sandy Lee	\$0*
Hon. Michael McLeod	\$6,077
Hon. Robert McLeod	\$0*
Hon. Michael Miltenberger	\$10,730
Hon. Floyd Roland	\$5,062
Hon. Norman Yakeleya	\$3,996

*Not eligible under the policy

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The **Ministerial Benefits Policy, Blind Trust (3.0)** provides that:

"Should the Conflict of Interest Commissioner advise a Member of the Executive Council that a blind trust must be established and maintained during the Member's term of office, the Member will be reimbursed for reasonable costs incurred in establishing, maintaining and dissolving such a blind trust."

No payments were made under this policy in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008.

The **Ministerial Benefits Policy, Medical Travel, Sick Leave, Vacation Leave, Health, Dental and Life Insurance Benefits (4.0)** provides that Members of the Executive Council are:

"... eligible to receive medical travel, sick leave, vacation leave, health, dental and life insurance benefits, at the same rates, and under the same conditions, provided to senior management group in the Government of the Northwest Territories public service."

The following benefits were paid under this policy in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008:

- (a) Medical Travel – no assistance was provided under this policy in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008.
- (b) Sick Leave – all Members of the Executive Council earned sick leave days at a rate of 9.375 hours of per month in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008.
- (c) Vacation Leave – during the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008, Members of the Executive Council earned vacation leave at the following rates:

Member	Entitlement Per Month
Hon. Jackson Lafferty	16.5625 hrs.
Hon. Sandy Lee	16.5625 hrs.
Hon. Michael McLeod	19.6875 hrs.
Hon. Robert McLeod	25.0 hrs.
Hon. Michael Miltenberger	25.0 hrs.
Hon. Floyd Roland	21.875 hrs.
Hon. Norman Yakeleya	13.4375 hrs.

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- (d) Health, dental and life insurance premiums paid in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008 totaled:

Member	Total Benefits Paid
Hon. Jackson Lafferty	\$1,644.55
Hon. Sandy Lee	\$1,402.40
Hon. Michael McLeod	\$1,747.40
Hon. Robert McLeod	\$1,747.40
Hon. Michael Miltenberger	\$1,740.40
Hon. Floyd Roland	\$1,943.40
Hon. Norman Yakeleya	\$1,731.03

The ***Ministerial Benefits Policy, Spousal Travel (5.0)*** provides that:

"The Premier may approve a Member's request that his or her spouse be permitted to travel with the Member at government expense provided attendance by the Minister is required or expected in the usual performance of his or her duties and protocol suggests that it is appropriate for a spouse to accompany the Member."

No payments were made under this policy in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008.

The ***Ministerial Benefits Policy, Entertainment Allowance (6.0)*** provides that Members of the Executive Council may:

"... receive a \$1,500.00 non-accountable annual allowance for duty related entertainment expenses."

The following benefits were paid under this policy in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008:

Member	Total Benefits Paid
Hon. Jackson Lafferty	\$675.00
Hon. Sandy Lee	\$675.00
Hon. Michael McLeod	\$675.00
Hon. Robert McLeod	\$675.00
Hon. Michael Miltenberger	\$675.00
Hon. Floyd Roland	\$675.00
Hon. Norman Yakeleya	\$675.00