



Teranet Manitoba celebrates five-year partnership with Manitoba

WINNIPEG, MB – April 11, 2019 – Teranet Manitoba celebrates the fifth anniversary of the transition of The Property Registry to a privately-owned and operated service provider for the Province of Manitoba. The first five years have been those of rapid transformation and progress for the organization entrusted with the day-to-day operational responsibilities for the province's land titles and personal property registries. Teranet has a 30-year licensed service provider agreement with the Province of Manitoba.

"After the transition to Teranet from the Province, we took over the management of not just the day-to-day operations, but also of the Client Service Improvement Initiative project the government had initiated in 2009. The acceleration of that initiative was a strategic priority for us and I'm pleased to say we completed the project in 2018," said Elgin Farewell, President and CEO of Teranet. "This was an all-encompassing modernization project that completely changed the way land titles services are processed and delivers real, tangible benefits to our clients in Manitoba."

The Client Service Improvement Initiative modernized each step of the land titles documentation process, from preliminary data searches, to enhanced smart forms, through to the fully-electronic submission and examination of most land titles documents. The changes have cut wait times to one-to-two days after submission for most document types, a dramatic reduction from the six-to-eight day service time seen before the completion of the project.

"Teranet's expertise in delivering this important service has provided good value to Manitobans, and thanks to this partnership services such as title, property searches and registrations have been available through a more convenient, fast and secure online system," said Justice Minister Cliff Cullen. "We're pleased to celebrate the fifth anniversary of this partnership and look forward to many more years working together to provide excellent service to Manitobans."

Teranet Manitoba helped celebrate the anniversary with the launch of *Teranet Manitoba's Anderson Student Prize for Excellence in Real Property*. Named after the late Nancy Anderson, who served as Teranet Manitoba's first General Manager (2014 - 2017), the \$2,500 per year prize is awarded to a student studying law at the University of Manitoba. In addition to her career as a public servant, Anderson was also a lawyer and a passionate advocate of continuing education.

"Robson Hall, at the University of Manitoba's Faculty of Law, must prepare our students for a range of careers in the legal profession. We encourage students to approach the law with confidence, built on appropriate legal knowledge and sound professional skills. Recognition from industry in the form of awards such as *Teranet Manitoba's Anderson Student Prize for Excellence in Real Property* provides that confidence and exposes students to unique and rewarding areas of law. We are grateful for Teranet Manitoba's support," said Dr. Jonathan Black-Branch, Dean of Law at the University of Manitoba.







The Teranet Manitoba fifth anniversary was marked at a reception on March 19, 2019. From left to right: Maureen Terra (The Property Registry), Barry Effler (Department of Justice), Doug Brown (Department of Justice), Gail Anderson (Department of Justice), Dennis Barnhart (The Property Registry), Kristin Dangerfield (The Law Society of Manitoba), Dave Wright (Deputy Minister of Justice) and Elgin Farewell (Teranet).

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About The Property Registry

<u>The Property Registry</u> provides certification of titles to land, maintains land and survey records and offers reliable information of financial interests in personal property in Manitoba. The Property Registry is privately-owned and operated by Teranet Manitoba LP and is a service provider for the Province of Manitoba. Oversight is provided by the <u>Office of the Registrar-</u> <u>General</u>. It has offices in Brandon, Dauphin, Morden, Neepawa, Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

About Teranet

<u>Teranet</u> is Canada's leader in the delivery and transformation of statutory registry services with extensive expertise in land and commercial registries. We also market insightful property and data solutions, as well as practice management automation to thousands of customers in the real estate, financial services, government, utilities, and legal markets.





Founded in 1991, Teranet operates the Electronic Registration System for the Province of Ontario, and The Property Registry for the Province of Manitoba. Our intention is to extend our registry service offerings to other jurisdictions. We are proud to be recognized as one of Greater Toronto's Top 100 Employers in 2017. Teranet Inc. is 100 percent owned by <u>OMERS</u> Infrastructure, the infrastructure investment manager of OMERS, the pension plan for Ontario's municipal employees. OMERS is one of Canada's largest pension funds, with net assets of more than C\$85 billion.

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