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Premier Akeeagok announces executive-level appointment

Iqaluit, Nunavut (February 13, 2024) – Premier P.J. Akeeagok today announced the appointment of Daniel Young as interim Deputy Minister for the Department of Finance, effective immediately.

Mr. Young will serve in the role pending a public competition to replace long-time public servant Jeff Chown, who retired in January.

“Jeff Chown spent the bulk of his career with the Government of Nunavut and helped to establish our government’s financial regime. As a key public servant, Jeff led with authority and an inside-out knowledge of the government’s operations. His career included serving as Deputy Minister of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs and Secretary to Cabinet. I thank Mr. Chown for his commitment to Nunavut and I wish him all the best in retirement,” said Premier Akeeagok.

Daniel Young was raised in Nunavut and has spent the past 16 years with the Government of Nunavut, in roles that include Superintendent of Insurance, Director of Fiscal Policy, Director of the Nunavut Liquor and Cannabis Commission, and most recently Assistant Deputy Minister leading the Fiscal Management Branch.

“We value Dan’s leadership and are happy to have his knowledge of our government operations, especially as the responsible management of our finances is central to ensuring our programs and services can be delivered. We are fortunate to be working with Dan in his new capacity as we realize our Katujjiluta mandate” said Premier Akeeagok.

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