

# Assessment Bulletin

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## EQUALIZED ASSESSMENT PANEL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

**EAP Technical Committee Recommendation****Item:** 8D**Title:** Data Sharing – ASSET User Agreement Schedule**EAP Recommendation:** 1, 5

**Question:** ASSET will be accessed by assessment stakeholders through milenet, AMA's secure internet system. Before a user can access ASSET, they must sign the general milenet user agreement and the ASSET schedule. Does the proposed ASSET user agreement establish a suitable framework of terms and conditions to support EAP technical Committee recommendations 8, 8A, 8B and 8C?

**Background:**

EAP Recommendation 1 states "Subject to freedom of information and privacy legislation, all assessment information, as prescribed by the Minister and in the possession of either provincial or municipal assessment officials, should be made available in a manner sufficient to satisfy the need to verify assessment quality and equalization accuracy."

**Recommendation:**

Amend Schedule "C" paragraph 2(b) to read "Submission and updating of a Subscriber's standardized assessment roll information as required by the Minister for the assessment audit and equalization processes;"

Include clause(s) in Schedule "C" to take into account the committees' recommendation 8(a)

"Any commercial rights to the data reside with the municipalities. The Minister will not grant access to the data for commercial purposes without the consent of the municipalities that are affected.

Alberta Municipal Affairs may not use the data for a commercial purpose.

Subject to legislative provisions, the Minister has the discretion to share the data on a non-commercial basis where it is in the public interest to do so.


Specific details concerning the use of the data should be covered off in the milenet and ASSET user agreements."

That the issue of subscriber indemnity in clause 35 be addressed in the same manner as the Minister is granted in clause 7(b).

**Recommendation Background:****Recommended**

  
 Steve White  
 EAP Technical Committee Chair

Dec 14, 2001  
 Date

Accepted  
  
 Brad Pickering  
 ASSET Steering Committee Chair

Jan 17/02  
 Date

**Schedule "C"**  
***milenet* Master Agreement**  
**Assessment Shared Services Environment**

- 1 "ASSET" means the Assessment Shared Services Environment operated by the Minister.
2. The Minister shall provide the Subscriber with access to ASSET through *milenet* for only the following purposes, as permissible under the *Municipal Government Act* (the "MGA"):
  - (a) Use as a data source and analysis tool in the preparation of the Subscriber's assessment roll under Part 9 and the taxation roll of Part 10 of the MGA;
  - (b) Submission and updating of a Subscriber's standardized assessment roll information as required by the Minister for the assessment audit process;
  - (c) Use for analysis of municipal assessments for provincial and inter-municipal tax and assessment studies on behalf of the Subscriber;
  - (d) Use for purposes of preparing documentary evidence for Assessment Review Board and Municipal Government Board hearings and related litigation for the Subscriber;
  - (e) Use for purposes of reviewing assessment roll information that does not include personal or confidential information for the Subscriber;
  - (f) As a portal to a Public Safety Division database to obtain a summary (or a subset of) building permit information required for the purpose described in 2(a) for the Subscriber; and
  - (g) As a portal to a Government Services Registries database to obtain a summary (or a subset of) Land Titles Information required for the purpose described in 2(a) for the Subscriber.