



Dear Friends,

On behalf of Hewlett-Packard (Canada) Ltd., I am pleased to welcome you to the AFN-NEXUS 2002 Business Conference and Trade Show. As we gather over the next three days, you will have the opportunity to see first hand how HP Canada is delivering the tools, knowledge and resources Aboriginal communities need to succeed in this digital age.

Without reliable and inexpensive Internet access, many remote communities are challenged to provide fundamental information resources such as education, health and wellness programs. To overcome this disparity in Internet access, HP proudly advocates a vision for world e-Inclusion – the bridging of the digital divide by making relevant information accessible to anyone – anywhere, anytime.



Together with our technology partners Advanced Interactive, InfoSat, Intel and Radian Corporation, HP Canada looks beyond the mere provision of products, but seeks different innovative and sustainable solutions that will open doors for First Nations communities. Together, we seek to digitally empower individuals, communities and entire nations of Aboriginal peoples by removing previously existing barriers to education, skills development and commerce.

I hope you will share in our enthusiasm for the possibilities the future holds for Aboriginal peoples in the World of e-Inclusion. HP Canada is a proud sponsor of AFN-NEXUS 2002, and we look forward to continuing our longstanding partnership with First Nations peoples.

Sincerely,

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