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2015 PEAK Award Honouree

Cathy McLay – Excellence in the Public Sector

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The Association of Women in Finance is proud to honour Cathy McLay with its 2015 PEAK Award for Excellence in the Public Sector.

Cathy is an award winning executive who has effectively used her private sector experience to guide TransLink's transformation into a first class public transportation entity. As CFO and Executive Vice President of Finance and Corporate Services, Cathy manages an operating budget of \$1.5 billion, along with a highly diverse portfolio of TransLink's finance and corporate functions.

In 2013, Cathy won Business in Vancouver's CFO of the Year award in the Transformation Agents category. She was recognized for a number of important projects carried out under her leadership, including a restructuring of TransLink's procurement model that has resulted in \$25 million in savings to date, and real estate initiatives that have raised more than \$17 million for the corporation. Cathy has also led restructuring of TransLink's capital management processes to significantly improve overall accountability and prioritization for capital projects.

As a coach and mentor, Cathy combines her considerable business and financial experience with a sincere interest in promoting women in the workplace. She is a qualified International Certified Business Coach, attaining the highest honour achievable in the coaching field. Cathy has a natural ability to guide the individuals she coaches to recognize both their strengths and weaknesses and develop targeted strategies for improvement.

In the community, Cathy serves as a member of the United Way of the Lower Mainland Campaign Cabinet and Chair of the Cabinet's Transportation Sector. Under her leadership, TransLink has donated over \$600,000 to the United Way over the past two years. Cathy has also served on the Board of Directors for Vancouver Coastal Health, and as Director and President of the Vancouver Coastal Health Research Corporation.

Please join us to celebrate Cathy's achievements at the PEAK Awards Gala on May 13, 2015. Congratulations, Cathy!