

Chapter 3 Summary of Implemented Recommendations

1.0 MAIN POINTS

This chapter lists agencies that implemented recommendations from previous annual integrated audits or IT audit work with no other significant findings included as a chapter in this Report.¹

2.0 SUMMARY OF IMPLEMENTED RECOMMENDATIONS

The table below sets out, by agency, the recommendations as well as highlights key actions taken by the agency to implement its recommendations.

Past Recommendation (Initial PAS Report, Date of Agreement of PAC) ^A	Key Actions Taken During 2020–21 to Implement Recommendation
Public Service Commission—MIDAS HR/Payroll	
We recommended the Public Service Commission agree in writing on a deadline with its service provider for receiving the annual audit report on security controls at the data centre hosting PSC Client. (<i>2019 Report – Volume 2</i> , p. 77, Recommendation 1; Public Accounts Committee has not yet considered this recommendation as of April 27, 2021)	During 2020, the Commission signed a new agreement with the service provider that operates the data centre hosting its IT system called PSC Client. The agreement includes provisions for the Commission to receive semi-annual audit reports on security controls about two months following each audit period. The Commission received its first report in December 2020 for the period April 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020.

^A PAS: Provincial Auditor of Saskatchewan PAC: Standing Committee on Public Accounts

¹ IT audit work consists of specified audit procedures about controls central agencies used to manage and secure key IT systems and data upon which other government ministries and agencies rely. Key IT audit work covers the IT data centre housing ministry IT applications and data, and MIDAS-Financials used to record the financial activities of ministries, and MIDAS-HR/PAYROLL used to record personnel and payroll activities of staff within the scope of the Public Service Commission. We do this work annually to support our integrated audits of government ministries and agencies using these key IT systems.



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