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Dear Archbishop Etienne:

In accordance with our recent audit of the Archdiocese of Seattle, for the period of July 1, 2021 to September 30, 2024, the following topics are being brought to your attention. These topics do not affect your compliance with the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*; they are simply suggestions for your consideration.

Articles 2 and 6:

Topic: The Sexual Abuse, Sexual Misconduct and Sexual Harassment Policy and the Code of Professional Conduct for Church Personnel do not include specific language regarding the prohibition of the acquisition, possession and distribution of child pornography.

Suggestion: We suggest that the Archdiocese, with the assistance of the Review Board, consider reviewing and updating the Policy and Code to include the aforementioned language.

Article 12:

Topic: The Archbishop has not formally promulgated the safe environment training programs being used for adults and children in the Archdiocese.

Suggestion: We suggest that the Archbishop issue a promulgation letter to formally approve the safe environment curriculums for both adults and children to clearly indicate which programs are in accord with Catholic moral principles.

By signing below, you attest that you have read and received our suggestions from the *Charter* audit process.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Paul D. Etienne', is written over a horizontal line.

Most Reverend Paul D. Etienne
Archbishop of Seattle

Thank you for the efforts that you are taking to protect the children and young people in the Archdiocese of Seattle. Please return a signed copy via email to USCCBCharterAudits@StoneBridgeBP.com at your earliest convenience.