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A LOT FROM THE DOT:
THE DIRECTION OF REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCING AS SEEN BY
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I: Preliminary Comments

1. Introductory Remarks
2. The Relative Positioning of Ontario's Electronic Land Registration System as a world-class land search and registration system
3. The Organizational Chart of Land Registration – how land registration actually works:
 - Regulatory Services Branch – policy branch
 - Central Production and Verification Services Branch -- certification
 - REST – Teranet
 - Legal Services Branch – Tribunals
 - The Deputy Directors – keeping the DOT out of trouble
4. The General Work Queue – why Toronto documents might be certified in Kenora
5. The Support Network – centralized email access province-wide and the end of faxes
6. New Data Collection Protocols: Section 5.0.1 of the *Land Transfer Tax Act* and the new Non-Resident Speculation Tax

Part II: Foreseeable Future (Definitely Will Happen)

7. The End of Paper – Construction liens, tax deeds, notices of lease, etc.
8. New and very important “Bounce” protocols for withdrawals and corrections
9. Teraview Web: a new platform, a new look, totally AODA compliant, and fully bilingual
10. ONLand: brand new search engine for “deep searching” behind PINs
11. First Dealings Refined: “buy in Registry, die in Registry”, save on probate
12. Law Statements: clarifying liability and other remedies for false law statements

Part III: Intermediate Future (Definite Maybe)

13. Better Artificial Intelligence: Towards the Manitoba-styled “smart” Teraview
14. Electronic Funds Transfer: Closure back?
15. Future Concentration of Staff: land registration “SuperCentres”

Part IV: Farther Look into the Future (Aspirational)

16. Future “Off-title” searching consolidated into the ELRS: better searching
17. The Real Estate “Supercourt”: beyond just First Applications and Boundary Act hearings
18. Land Registration Agency: why I love government!