



August 8th, 2022

Honourable Steven Guilbeault, MP
Minister, Environment and Climate Change Canada
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Dear Minister,

Public Service and Procurement Canada (PSPC) is pleased to provide an update on the Alexandra Bridge Replacement Project (the Project) in Ottawa-Gatineau. PSPC submitted an Initial Project Description to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) on March 17, 2022. The Agency provided comments on the Initial Project Description in a Statement of Issues dated May 4, 2022.

In consultation with the Agency, PSPC proposed to submit its response to the Statement of Issues and a Detailed Project Description on August 5, 2022. PSPC has used the intervening period to continue its engagement with Indigenous groups and to develop meaningful responses to the Statement of Issues.

To build on the progress made to date, PSPC hereby requests that the Agency temporarily suspend the submission deadline for the Detailed Project Description. PSPC believes that additional time to consult with Indigenous groups and stakeholders will increase the quality of the Detailed Project Description and will make for a more successful project. PSPC is committed to advancing the Project in a timely and efficient manner, and will keep the Agency informed of its progress.

Should you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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