May 30, 2022

Honourable Steven Guilbeault, MP Minister, Environment and Climate Change Canada 22nd Floor, Place Bell 160 Elgin Street Ottawa ON K1A 0H3

Anjala Puvananathan Director, Ontario Region Impact Assessment Agency of Canada 55 York Street, 6th Floor Toronto, ON M5J 1R7

Dear Minister,

Public Service and Procurement Canada (PSPC) acknowledges receipt of the letter from the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency), dated May 4, 2022, which included the Summary of Issues for the Alexandra Bridge Replacement Project (the Project) in Ottawa-Gatineau. PSPC was requested to provide the Agency with a Detailed Project Description, including responses to the Summary of Issues, by June 3rd 2022; or to inform the Agency that more time is required to provide the Detailed Project Description.

Following the review of the Summary of Issues, as well as discussion with the Agency, PSPC requests an extension for the submission of the Detailed Project Description and that the Agency suspend the time limit until PSPC submits the Detailed Project Description (including the response to the Summary of Issues). Additional time is required to meaningfully respond to the issues raised and to further advance engagement with Indigenous groups.

PSPC is committed to advancing the Project in a timely and efficient manner, and as a result of requesting suspension of the time limit for the submission deadline to August 5, 2022, PSPC does not expect a significant delay in the submission of the Detailed Project Description to the Agency.

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

Best.

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