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Her Worship Lisa Helps
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Dear Mayor Helps:

Thank you for your correspondence of November 22, 2015. Please excuse the delay in replying.

It is an exciting time in our federation. Ours is a country where governments need to work together in order to bring about positive change on issues that matter to Canadians. Your correspondence exemplifies this spirit and our Government's goal of a renewed sense of collaboration and improved partnership with provincial, territorial, and municipal governments.

I was interested to learn about the current status and next steps of the Core Area Wastewater Treatment and Resource Recovery Project. Our Government has committed to nearly doubling the federal investment in public infrastructure over the next 10 years, through immediate increased investments and long-term funding to support provincial, territorial, and municipal priorities. This investment will focus on public transit, social infrastructure, and green infrastructure, the latter of which includes investment in local wastewater facilities. These investments should support long-term economic growth in Canada and improve environmental outcomes in places like Victoria.

As my colleague, the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, the Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, is the lead for developing this 10-year plan, I have forwarded a copy of your correspondence to him. I have also forwarded a copy of your correspondence to the CEO for PPP Canada, Mr. John McBride, who may also be interested in your update.

I look forward to working with you on this and other opportunities in the years to come.

Thank you for writing.

Yours sincerely,

The Honourable Bill Morneau, P.C., M.P.

c. The Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, P.C., M.P.
Mr. John McBride

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