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Angela Taylor, P. Eng.
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Dear Ms. Taylor:

Thank you for submitting your Notice of Completion of the Environmental Project Report for the City of Ottawa's Confederation Line East Light Rail Transit Extension (project) which is following the Transit Project Assessment Process under *Ontario Regulation 231/08 – Transit Projects and Greater Toronto Transportation Authority Undertakings (Transit Regulation)* on March 24, 2016.

The ministry received two objections with respect to potential noise impacts from the project on the local community. You were given an opportunity to comment on the objections on April 20, 2016 and the ministry considered your response. The ministry has completed its review and I wish to inform you that I am of the opinion that the project does not have a negative impact on matters of provincial importance related to the natural environment or to a cultural heritage value or interest or have a negative impact on a constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty right. Therefore, the City of Ottawa may proceed with the project. As such, you may now issue a statement of completion to complete the Transit Project Assessment Process.

Attached is a signed copy of the Notice to Proceed with the Transit Project issued in accordance with the Transit Regulation.

You are responsible for implementing the project in accordance with the Environmental Project Report (EPR).

Lastly, I would like to ensure that you understand that failure to comply with the provisions of the Environmental Assessment Act or its regulations is an offence and may result in prosecution under section 38 of the Act. I am confident that you recognize

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the importance and value of the Act and will ensure that the requirements of the Act and the Transit Regulation are satisfied.

Should you require further assistance please contact Dorothy Moszynski, Project Officer of the Environmental Approvals Branch, at 416-314-3352 or by e-mail at dorothy.moszynski@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Glen Murray', with a stylized, looping flourish.

Glen Murray
Minister of the Environment and Climate Change

Attachments

c: Ms. Valerie McGirr, Manager- Ottawa Office, Transportation, AECOM
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