

February 6, 2019

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Kate-Louise Stamford, Islands Trustee
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Dear Kate-Louise and Khelsilem,

Re: New Brighton Dock

Thank you for including me in your discussion regarding the New Brighton dock. As we all know, the dock was divested to the Squamish Nation from Transport Canada on November 12, 2013. I have had discussions with Transport Canada to determine the nature of the agreement with Squamish Nation and I am able to provide you with the following:

- Transport Canada does not own the New Brighton port facility as Transport Canada transferred the port facility to the SN New Brighton Dock Ltd (formerly 0973774 B.C. Ltd) on November 12, 2013. The SN New Brighton Dock Ltd is a subsidiary company of the Squamish Nation. There is no term or requirement in either the transfer agreement, contributing agreement, or operating agreement for Transport Canada to take over the ownership of the New Brighton port facility if the new owner decides to stop operating the port.
- Transport Canada respectfully disagrees with BC's position that Transport Canada is still the sole interest holder of the water lot for the New Brighton port facility. Transport Canada has relinquished our tenure of the water lot for the New Brighton port facility back to the province of British Columbia on December 10, 2001 declaring that Canada no longer needed to operate the port as a public port facility.

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- Transport Canada currently has a Contributing Agreement with the SN New Brighton Dock Ltd that will expire on May 12, 2019. The Contribution Agreement sets out parameters on how SN New Brighton Dock Ltd can use the Transport Canada funding for operating and maintaining the New Brighton Dock. If there is still funding left unspent by May 12, 2019, the SN New Brighton Dock Ltd will have to request another extension for the Contribution Agreement. If SN New Brighton Dock Ltd decides to cease operating the New Brighton port and there is still funding remaining, they have to return the unspent funding to Transport Canada as per the Contribution Agreement.

Sincerely,



Pamela Goldsmith-Jones, M.P.
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cc: Nicholas Simons, MLA