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Ms. Lesley Griffiths  
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Dear Ms. Griffiths:

On behalf of Tropical Shipping, please accept this letter in support of the CN Milton Logistics Hub.

Tropical Shipping is the largest containerized cargo carrier in the Caribbean region and a preferred carrier for refrigerated cargo. Serviced through the Port of Halifax, Tropical Shipping's inland connectivity is facilitated by CN's on-dock rail operations, with direct routes to and from Montreal and Toronto and service to Winnipeg and Saskatoon. Approximately 11,275 TEUs (twenty-foot equivalent units) are transported by CN.

Our service provides Canadian exporters with fast, efficient access to Florida and Caribbean markets. Efficient intermodal links are critical to our success and our customers rely on the timely delivery of goods. Capacity constraints at CN's Brampton Intermodal Terminal are putting pressure on the supply chain network and putting at risk the efficient and cost-effective movement of goods that our customers and consumers depend on.

CN's proposed Milton Logistics Hub is a much-needed facility to accommodate the high volumes of containerized goods moving in and out of the Toronto region. This additional facility will contribute to the local economy, create jobs, and open up new opportunities for Canadian importers and exporters and strengthen Canada's global competitiveness.

The Milton Logistics Hub has our full support and we hope the Review Panel gives favourable consideration to this project.

Sincerely,  
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