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Subject: Unwavering Support for the Montreal Port Authority's Container Terminal Project in Contrecoeur

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the Chamber of Marine Commerce, I am writing to express our organization's unequivocal support for the Montreal Port Authority's (MPA) proposed container terminal in Contrecoeur. This project is a critical piece of trade-enabling infrastructure, essential not only for Quebec but for the vitality and competitiveness of the entire Canadian economy. In a shifting global landscape, the Contrecoeur terminal represents a strategic and necessary investment in our nation's economic sovereignty, providing the capacity needed to diversify our markets and secure Canada's supply chains for generations to come.

The expansion at Contrecoeur will solidify Eastern Canada's role as a primary and reliable gateway to European and Asian markets. For Canadian businesses from coast to coast, this project means a more fluid, efficient, and resilient logistics chain, enabling them to move goods to international customers with greater speed and certainty. Enhancing this vital trade corridor is fundamental to strengthening Canada's overall competitiveness on the world stage and ensuring our exporters can capitalize on global opportunities.

Furthermore, we wish to underscore that this is a mature and well-planned project led by a proven and responsible partner. The Montreal Port Authority has a long-standing track record of developing and managing critical port infrastructure with the utmost respect for environmental standards and community interests. We have full confidence in the MPA's commitment to delivering the Contrecoeur terminal in a sustainable and responsible manner, ensuring its successful integration into the regional ecosystem.

In conclusion, the Chamber of Marine Commerce views the Contrecoeur terminal as a project of national significance. Its benefits will extend far beyond the local region, reinforcing our national supply chain and supporting Canadian industries nationwide. We consider this project to be essential, timely, and a key component of Canada's future economic prosperity. We strongly urge its timely approval and successful completion.

Sincerely,



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