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Dear Mr. Hubbard:

Thank you for your correspondence of December 3, 2020, regarding the Request for a Regional Assessment of the St. Lawrence River. Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada welcomes the opportunity to participate and provide input into a planned engagement process that will assist the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada and your Minister in determining whether, and if so how, to proceed with an assessment.

As you know, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada has very specific, and relevant, information regarding potentially impacted Indigenous communities in the St. Lawrence area, including, amongst others, the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke. The Major Projects Secretariat in Implementation Sector would be happy to coordinate Departmental input to this work.

Sincerely,

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