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On Thu., Apr. 21, 2022, 10:50 a.m. Bonnell, Stephen (IAAC/AEIC), <Stephen.Bonnell@iaac-aeic.gc.ca> wrote:

Dear Steven Stark, Chief Harley Chappell, and Tumia Knott;

On behalf of the Honourable Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada, thank you for your letter dated March 31, 2022, in which the Salish Sea Indigenous Guardians Association requested a regional assessment under the *Impact Assessment Act* (IAA) that would encompass both the proposed Roberts Bank Terminal 2 and Delta Port Expansion – Berth 4 projects.

The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) has conducted an initial review of your request, and would like to discuss it further with you to receive some additional information and clarification on a number of items. We would also appreciate the opportunity to provide some further details on the process for developing and submitting a regional assessment request, including the associated information required to be included in such a request, as well as the process and timelines for the Minister's eventual decision and response. These items are detailed in the Agency's ***Operational Guide: Requesting a Regional or Strategic Assessment under the Impact Assessment Act:*** <https://www.canada.ca/en/impact-assessment-agency/services/policy-guidance/regional-strategic-assessments/requesting-regional-strategic-assessment-iaa.html>.

Please let me know if you and/or other representatives of the Salish Sea Indigenous Guardians Association might be available for a brief discussion with myself and other Agency officials next week, and if so, any preferred dates and times.

Thank you again for your letter, and in advance for the opportunity to meet next week to discuss this matter further. In the meantime, I can be reached by email at Stephen.bonnell@iaac-aeic.gc.ca or by telephone at (709) 682-4912.

Thank you in advance,

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