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TSAWWASSEN FIRST NATION

14 April, 2022

Hon. Steven Guilbeault
Minister of Environment and Climate Change
House of Commons
Ottawa ON K1A 0A6

VIA E-MAIL

Dear Minister Guilbeault,

Re: Roberts Bank Terminal 2 (“RBT2”) and Deltaport Fourth Berth (“DP4”) Projects – Request for regional assessment by Salish Sea Indigenous Guardians Association (“SSIGA”)

I write to clarify the position of Tsawwassen First Nation (“TFN”) with respect to the above-noted request.

Our staff became aware last week that SSIGA sent you a letter dated March 31, 2022, asking for a Regional Assessment that encapsulates both the RBT2 and DP4 proposed projects. The request set out in that letter was made without the knowledge or support of TFN.

One of the signatories to the letter included a member of TFN’s Executive Council, who sits on the board of SSIGA. To avoid possible confusion arising from those circumstances, I am writing to advise you that TFN has not changed its position with respect to the RBT2 process, as set out in our previous submissions, and that the request for a Regional Assessment was not made on behalf of TFN. TFN is hopeful that the RBT2 review process will continue expeditiously, and that a decision will be made by the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (“IAAC”) later this Spring.

If you have any questions about TFN’s positions or views with respect to the IAAC review process, or any other matters relating to TFN, I would be happy to speak to you. Please feel free to contact my office at any time if you’d like to have an informal discussion.

Sincerely,
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Chief Ken Baird
Tsawwassen First Nation

cc. Braden Smith, Chief Administrative Officer, Tsawwassen First Nation