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Memorandum To: Impact Assessment Agency of Canada – Ontario Region

From: Michael Robertson, Assistant Deputy Minister (Ontario Place Redevelopment Secretariat)

Subject: Response to Notification Regarding Potential Designation of the Ontario Place Redevelopment – Request for Input

Dear Anjala Puvananathan,

The Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure is pleased to provide the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) with the requested information with respect to the Government's revitalization of Ontario Place.

As you may be aware, Ontario Place closed as a fully operating attraction in 2012, and the existing buildings, bridges, servicing infrastructure and shoreline require reinvestment to ensure the future viability of the site.

The attached documents reflect the Ministry's responses to your questions on the Therme Facility and Tenant-led Public Realm Development as well as the underground parking garage. In addition, I urge you to reference the material received from Therme Canada and Infrastructure Ontario as it also reflects Ministry input and activities.

We are aware that on October 13, 2023, the Supreme Court of Canada found the designated project provisions of the federal *Impact Assessment Act* to be unconstitutional. Accordingly, there is no constitutional basis for the Minister to designate the Project. Even if there were, the project should not be designated for the reasons outlined in our submissions.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any additional questions at michael.robertson@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Michael Robertson
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