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Mr. Chris Murray **City Manager** City of Hamilton Hamilton City Hall 2nd Floor, 71 Main Street West Hamilton ON L8P 4Y5

Dear Mr.

RE: **Request for Additional Funding**

I am pleased to hear that the Memorandum of Agreement for the Hamilton LRT project was approved by Hamilton City Council on February 10, 2016. The execution of the MOA is an important early milestone for the project, and one that reinforces the intention of both the City of Hamilton and Metrolinx to work in partnership delivering this important project. From my perspective the project team is gaining momentum and working towards advancing the implementation of light rail in Hamilton.

At our last Hamilton LRT Executive Committee meeting on November 23, 2015, you requested additional reimbursement from Metrolinx for the work that the City of Hamilton undertook to advance planning, design and engineering (PDE) work for the environmental clearance of the project, beyond the \$3 million previously provided for this purpose by Metrolinx. Specifically, we are aware that Hamilton City Council passed a motion on February 11, 2015 requesting reimbursement from Metrolinx for additional costs related to previous PDE work. We are prepared to consider the City's funding request of up to \$1.75 million subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The City provides supporting documentation acceptable to Metrolinx verifying the amount requested including invoices paid and documentation related to recoverable HST;
- 2) Confirmation by Metrolinx that the costs are directly attributable to the funded project and can be capitalized;
- 3) The additional PDE costs to be reimbursed will be funded from within the approved \$1 billion capital budget for the project; and
- 4) The City provides Metrolinx with copies of all reports/materials related to the additional PDE work.

Going forward, as indicated in the MOA, we are prepared to make the date of eligible expenditures for the project retroactive to the project funding announcement on May 26, 2015. I trust this clarifies our position on this matter. Should you or your staff have any questions or

Sincerely,

Bruce McCuaig President and Chief Executive Officer

c. Paul Johnson, Director of LRT Project Coordination, City of Hamilton John Jensen, Chief Capital Officer, Capital Projects Group, Metrolinx Andrew Hope, Director, Hamilton Light Rail Transit, Capital Projects Group, Metrolinx