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Erin O'Melinn, Garey Carlson, and Tim Yzerman HUB Cycling 312 Main Street, Vancouver BC V6A 2T2

Dear Erin, Garey and Tim,

Re: Pattullo Bridge Replacement - Means Prevention Fencing

Thank you for your letter dated September 8, 2022 regarding the HUB Cycling survey on the means prevention barrier planned for the Pattullo Bridge Replacement Project.

The safety and security fence on the new bridge is an important physical barrier to keep the public safe. As noted in our letter to you last year, the fence design meets applicable codes and industry standards. A comprehensive review was undertaken during the Ironworkers Memorial Bridge rehabilitation project in 2013 when the security fence was installed. Public health and safety were paramount in the fence design, and on-site testing was conducted to ensure safe and effective implementation.

Since receipt of your letter, we have reviewed with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and TransLink, confirming no reported safety-related incidents related to a strobing effect on either the Ironworkers Memorial Bridge or the Golden Ears Bridge. The Ministry also confirmed that since the installation of the security fence on the Ironworkers Memorial Bridge, significant improvements were observed at this crossing from a public safety perspective, compared to other crossings in the Lower Mainland.

When complete, the Pattullo Bridge replacement will provide a safe crossing for all users travelling at safe speeds, including drivers, cyclists and pedestrians. The dedicated walking and cycling paths on the bridge will be barrier-separated from vehicle traffic on both sides of the bridge, and connected to the adjacent community and regional multi-use path networks. The bridge will be designed with multiple viewing platforms for the public to rest and enjoy the views of the Fraser River.

We appreciate the feedback on this subject based on your recent survey. The Active Transportation team in the MoTI Transportation Programs Branch is aware of your concerns and is available to discuss.

Sincerely,

Wendy Itagawa

Executive Project Director

Pattullo Bridge Replacement Project

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