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Union of BC Municipalities
Suite 60 – 10551 Shellbridge Way
Richmond, BC V6X 2W9

Attention: Mayor Frank Leonard, President

Re: Significant Projects Streamlining Act

Dear Sir,

The BC Construction Association represents over 1700 corporate members active in the construction industry from all across the province. Our members work in every municipality in BC. Reducing the regulatory burden and red tape that they deal with on every project is of critical importance to them. To the extent that Bill 75, the *Significant Projects Streamlining Act*, achieves this purpose our organization is strongly in support.

We recognize that there are complicated issues of responsibility and accountability attaching to any effort to streamline the project approval process particularly when different levels of government are involved. However, we do feel that any initiative designed to speed up the process is not only good for our industry, it is good for the economy of our province. It promotes certainty and establishes BC as a province that is open for business.

We hope that local governments will work with the provincial government in this regard. An attractive approval process will attract new investment into the province and stimulate economic activity for the benefit of all.

With regards,

Michael Geoghegan
President

Cc: Hon. Kevin Falcon, Minister of State for Deregulation

MEMBER: CANADIAN CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION