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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Ms. Valerie Payn
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Halifax Chamber of Commerce
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Dear Ms. Payn:

Thank you for your letter of June 3, 2008 attaching a copy of the Halifax Chamber of Commerce *National Transportation Policy Principles*, as well as your response to the Transport Canada *Rail Freight Service Review*.

The Chamber is to be commended for the valuable work it has undertaken in support of transportation over the years, including these recent endeavours. In particular, the Chamber's Transportation Committee and its three supporting Sub-Committees are recognized for their excellent work. I am pleased that staff of our Department participate in the work of each of these committees.

As you know, Nova Scotia is well positioned to enhance its role as a key gateway to North America. I look forward to working with the Chamber and other key stakeholders as we move these issues forward.

Sincerely,

Murray Scott
Minister

cc: David Darrow, Deputy Minister