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Date: October 1, 2012

To: Participants in the Minister's Roundtable Discussion: Land Use Planning System

Re: Follow up from the Roundtable Meeting

Thank you for attending the roundtable discussion, which occurred on June 19, 2012, regarding the system of land-use planning.

I appreciate that you took the time to attend the roundtable and to provide me with your observations and suggestions. I believe that the discussion was compelling, informative and beneficial in identifying a range of perspectives about of the land planning system – some conflicting perspectives as well as areas of common interest. I also believe the breadth of comments is a good reflection of the diverse expertise and unique insight of the roundtable participants.

For your information, I have attached the notes from the roundtable meeting as promised. These notes reflect the input provided by the participants at the roundtable meeting. The notes have also been transcribed from the flip charts and from the notes recorded from the group discussions. I hope that you find them informative.

I have said at the meeting I am always open to new ideas about the land planning system. These notes clearly show that you have given my ministry staff and me an abundance of opinions, principles, sensitivities and concepts to explore.

Over the summer, I have been able to engage with MAH staff to explore your notes. They have helped me to understand to a greater degree the complexities of the land planning system. I will be continuing this discussion in my Ministry, and I hope you will continue to contact my staff in the days ahead to comment on the notes or express any additional comments.

Once again, thank you for your time, your thoughts and your commitment to making the planning system and the appeal process as effective as possible. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kathleen'.

Kathleen Wynne
Minister

Attachment