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Ms. Helena M. Borges  
Executive Director, Rail Policy  
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Dear Ms. Borges:

**Re: Stakeholder Terms - Mississauga for Inclusion in Air Rail Link Request for Business Case**

This letter is in response to your letter dated April 1, 2003 regarding the proposed Air Rail Link between Union Station and the airport, and the attached draft stakeholder letter. City of Mississauga staff have been working with Transport Canada staff on a possible alignment for the Air Rail Link and are aware of the potential for the alignment to cross City of Mississauga road and sewer facilities. At this time, Transportation and Works staff cannot recommend that Mississauga City Council commit to the terms and conditions contained in your draft stakeholder letter. The timing of such a letter should await the completion of an environmental assessment study for the proposed project, when the exact details of the project and its impacts on the City's interests have been studied. The environmental assessment process is expected to comply with both federal and provincial requirements and legislation.

It is our understanding that Transport Canada intends to proceed with the next stage of this project - the Request for Business Case - from the qualified list of private sector respondents, and that you are seeking a letter of commitment from the City of Mississauga in order to provide the potential respondents a degree of certainty about any future conditions and terms the City may impose on this project. I will be preparing a report to City Council on this matter in the near future advising them of your request, and will forward additional comments to you after Council has considered the matter and has provided the appropriate direction.

Please contact Tom Mulligan at 905-896-5086 or Bob Sasaki at 905-896-5125 if you wish to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,



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