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Oral Question 887-18(2) Federal Funding for Infrastructure

This letter is in follow-up to the Oral Question you raised on September 26, 2017, about federal funding for infrastructure programs. Further to that discussion, I will provide the Standing Committee on Economic Development and Environment with a confidential copy of the draft proposal that was submitted by the Government of the Northwest Territories under the federal Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund. Copies of the Expressions of Interest for the Slave Geological Province Access Corridor and Mackenzie Valley Highway that were submitted to Transport Canada under the National Trade Corridors Fund (NTCF) on September 5, 2017 will be provided to the Standing Committee on Priorities and Planning.

In addition, I am pleased to inform you that on October 6, 2017, the Department of Infrastructure (INF) received confirmation from Transport Canada that the submissions under the NTCF had been accepted to proceed to the next step of the approval process. INF is now working to develop comprehensive proposals, which are due to Transport Canada by November 6, 2017.

You had also asked if I could commit to sharing large infrastructure funding proposals with Committee in the future. Moving forward, I will continue to share information with Standing Committee around funding proposals in accordance with the Guiding Principles and Process Conventions established between Cabinet, Ministers, Standing Committees and Regular Members.

Thank you.

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