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Corporate Officer
Council Chambers of City Hall, 2nd floor, 1100 Patricia Blvd.
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Dear council,

Re: 4759 Continental Way Road Closure

Please accept this letter regarding John McMaster's (Great West Equipment—"Volvo") road closure submission via the City of Prince George ("City"). Carrier Lumber Ltd. ("Carrier") does not endorse the closure and sale of 0.228ha of road and/or highway dedication located adjacent to the northern boundary of 4759 Continental Way, unless the following is met:

1. A posted no stopping zone is established along the entire frontage of 4722 Continental Way along the travelled portion of the roadway. Both Carrier and Volvo provide ample off-street parking for people connected to their businesses, so parking adequacy remains sufficient in spite of a new no stopping zone. Another business in the vicinity fails to provide this, and routinely creates unnecessary and unsafe traffic congestion in the area. With the closure of available public loading, unloading, and parking space, the issue will compound to a level that is no longer manageable through civil contracts with the offending business. Vehicles parked in front of 4722 Continental Way present safety concerns in four scenarios, especially around peak afternoon traffic times where the majority of BCR industrial site traffic exists the area northbound via Continental Way, through to Highway 97, and eventually onwards to greater Prince George:
 - a. Travelling northbound, Continental Way transitions from a two-lane road to become a one-lane road to the east of 4759 (the subject property) and to the west of 4722 Continental Way. Even if parked properly, long and tall commercial truck and trailer combinations, particularly passenger vehicle transporters, are parked in the vicinity, they block the view of oncoming traffic conditions, both from the imminent lane transition, and soon after, speed-up lane, and merge onto Highway 97 northbound; and
 - b. Further to the above concern, northbound traffic on Continental Way is speeding up in anticipation of the merge onto Highway 97. Notwithstanding the legality of this practice, this is the reality of the traffic flow. Carrier does not seek to disrupt or change this practice, since it works well for merging traffic onto Highway 97. However, the safety of drivers of vehicles parked in the vicinity of 4722 Continental Way is jeopardized considerably when opening drivers' side doors



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into heavy industrial traffic flowing at upwards of 70km/h, less than a meter away.

- c. Vehicles, in particular, multiple passenger vehicles parallel parked against the eastern curb of the aforementioned roadway, or passenger vehicle transporters, force northbound traffic into the oncoming southbound lane, creating a head-on collision hazard from traffic, particularly heavy industrial traffic widely turning southbound from 4759 Continental Way; and
- d. Any vehicles parked in front of 4722 Continental Way obstruct the view of, and create a dangerous head-on, or T-bone collision situation, for traffic entering Continental Way either northbound or southbound, from either the access road servicing PID 011-271-370 (4700 Continental Way) or 4722 Continental Way's northern parking lot.

Please see the attached eight (8) pictures and one (1) video showing examples from the summer of 2019 that highlight the dangerous situations that could be easily alleviated by creating a no stopping zone along the travelled portion of 4722 Continental Way.

Sincerely,

CARRIER LUMBER LTD.

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