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Honourable Josie Osborne
Minister Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation
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Via: EMPR.Minister@gov.bc.ca

Minister,

We write to thank you for taking time to meet with our municipality at the recent UBCM conference in Vancouver (Meeting ID: 836). It was a pleasure to be able to discuss our ongoing interest in establishing Prince George (PG) as a Hydrogen Hub.

As discussed, the industry requires expanded renewable electricity to reach the full potential of green hydrogen production and PG requires support from the province and its agencies to continue development as a hydrogen hub, including allocating renewable electricity to potential green hydrogen production projects.

Your ministry's BC Hydrogen Strategy outlines the province's plan to accelerate production and use of low-carbon hydrogen & establish BC as a world leader in the global hydrogen economy and we are excited to participate in that vision. As you are aware, PG was selected to anchor development of a Central BC Hydrogen Hub due to the opportunities present in the community. As more developments consider PG as a key location to invest, it's imperative the logistical ecosystem of road and rail align with the hydrogen sector opportunities to help realize the economic growth potential of the region, province, and country. Thousands of jobs could be created because of the emerging hydrogen sector, but it relies on capturing a significant portion of the immense global hydrogen market estimated upwards of \$11.7 trillion by 2050.

We thank you for your attention and look forward to the next opportunity to meet.

Respectfully,

City Council of Prince George

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