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**Attention:** Keith Sun, CFA

**Project Director** 

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Re: Belleville Terminal Redevelopment Project – Phase II Fairness Reviewer Report re: RFQ Process

I was appointed Fairness Reviewer on this Project in August 2023. As part of my obligations as Fairness Reviewer I am to deliver a report on the RFQ process and the RFP process from the perspective of fairness principles. This constitutes my report on the RFQ process.

During the course of the RFQ process I reviewed the RFQ documentation, the Evaluation Guidelines and monitored multiple meetings held by the subcommittees and the Evaluation Committee concerning the submissions received from five proponents for this Project. Additionally, I was copied on correspondence exchanged between and amongst the Contact Person for the committee and the proponents and I reviewed a number of the communications with the proponents involving RFCs and RFIs as well as reviewing correspondence exchanged between the RFQ Committee and the proponents.

When fairness issues arose during the course of the procurement process I was satisfied in each instance that they were resolved without any residual concerns with non-compliance with fairness principles.

Finally, I monitored the Consensus meetings held by the Evaluation Committee resulting in the choice of three proponents to enter into the RFP process, a process which I will now monitor for compliance with fairness principles.

Generally speaking, I found the procurement process for the RFQ phase of this Project to be fair, transparent and without any demonstrated bias towards any one or more of the proponents proposing to the RFQ.

In closing, I would also commend those responsible for leading the procurement process to this point of time for their continued excellence in the management of the process.

Respectfully submitted,

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