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DIRECTOR

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Mr. Chris Kolb, Director
State Budget Office
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Romney Building, 6th Floor
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Director Kolb:

Pursuant to Section 385 of Public Act 207 of 2018, this letter contains the Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT's) report of activities related to the Gordie Howe International Bridge (GHIB) project for the third quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2019, April 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019.

During this time MDOT responded to GHIB-related requests for information from Governor Whitmer's office; legislative offices; the Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority (WDBA); the Federal Highway Administration; Bridging North America (BNA), the private-sector concessionaire; and other local, state, and federal entities. We have continued to participate in meetings to facilitate these requests, and work with WDBA to implement the June 2012 Crossing Agreement and commence construction of the new crossing system.

Additionally, MDOT engaged in the following during the third quarter:

- Real estate activities, including environmental due diligence, property acquisition, demolition, and other site preparation work. Working with our legal team, MDOT actively pursued acquisition of remaining required parcels, including use of the condemnation process.
- Utility relocation activities, including DTE and ITC facilities, and completion of the relocation and replacement of several siphons and combined sewer crossings as part of the I-75 pavement inlay project.
- Planning activities with other utilities and railroads located within the project footprint.
- Construction activities, including seawall integrity investigations adjacent to the proposed bridge tower foundations; geotechnical drilling and soil boring activities; fence installation and clearing work for Phase 1 of the U.S. Port of Entry; other site preparation activities and work related to installing the deep foundations that will eventually support the entire main span. BNA and their deep foundation subcontractor, Malcolm Drilling, successfully completed the installation of the U.S. test drilled shaft. This is the first major scope of construction on the job and is a critical step in finalizing the main span

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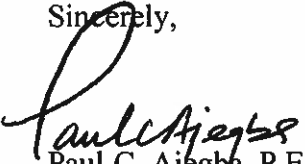
tower foundation design. Up-to-date information about construction activities is available on the [project website](#).

- Permitting activities as needed with the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; and the Federal Aviation Administration.
- Participation in several technical working groups providing guidance, review and oversight of design work and other project activities by WDBA and BNA.

Canada provided payment to MDOT during the last quarter for invoices billing work completed through March 2019. Enclosed is a summary of GHIB-related expenditures by MDOT during the third quarter of FY 2019, with Canadian and federal funds as the source. There were no GHIB-related payments or expenses incurred by MDOT pursuant to contracts with any vendors, experts, or consultants that were not reimbursable.

If you have any questions, please contact either me or Mohammed Alghurabi, Senior Project Manager at 517-335-4627 or AlghurabiM@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,



Paul C. Ajegba, P.E.
Director

Enclosure

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Gordie Howe International Bridge Project
 Fiscal Year 2019 - Third Quarter Expenditures by MDOT

Description	Expenditures
Staff Costs	\$ 984,823.72
Travel/Meal Expenses	\$ 9,670.43
Acquisition Costs	\$ 14,684,452.42
Utility Relocation	\$ 1,269,304.40
Rail Design / Improvement	\$ 6,429.38
Permitting	\$ 800.00
Fees and Compensation (Consultants)	\$ 4,436,439.63
Telephone/Other	\$ 19,251.52
Total Expenditures	\$ 21,411,171.50
Amount Reimbursable	\$ 21,411,171.50
Amount Funded by State Transportation Revenues	\$ -