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Rick Gateman, President  
Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project  
760 Kinsmen Place  
Prince George, BC V2M 0A8

Dear Mr. Gateman:

**Regarding: Letter of Support**

On behalf of the District of Houston's Council, I am writing to express support for TransCanada's Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project.

Houston is located at the gateway to a long section of the project right-of-way and we have become increasingly aware of the business and retail opportunities that will arise during pipeline construction. In fact, on a per capita basis, Houston may be one of the biggest beneficiaries of local spending.

We also appreciate that with this proposed project, there will be employment and local vendor opportunities, training initiatives, further community investment and property tax revenue to support community services and infrastructure, education and regional services. We have been pleased with the interest your project team has shown in our local economy and local priorities; we look forward to a productive dialogue as you continue to progress through project planning.

TransCanada has been open and honest in their discussions with us since the start. We appreciate your transparency and level of interactions with mayor and council, and with residents in and around Houston.

Houston looks forward to continuing to build a relationship with TransCanada and Coastal GasLink. We wish your project team the best as you look forward to a positive investment decision.

Sincerely,

Shane Brienen  
Mayor of Houston

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shane Brienen". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.