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

Dean Patry, President Prince Rupert Gas Transmission Project 760 Kinsmen Place Prince George, BC V2M 0A8

Dear Mr. Gateman and Mr. Patry,

On behalf of the Fort St John Chamber of Commerce, we are writing to express our support of TransCanada's proposed Coastal GasLink and Prince Rupert Gas Transmission natural gas pipeline projects. We believe these projects are in the best interest of the community and will serve the members of our Chamber well.

The economic benefits these projects will bring to Fort St John and surrounding areas are numerous and we look forward to the employment and contracting opportunities that would accompany each of these projects, in addition to the local spend and increased tax base that will help to support our communities. At a time when many industries are slowing down or closing their doors, new opportunities such as those offered by these projects are critical to our community, region, and province.

At a recent Chamber luncheon, the speakers from TransCanada drew a crowd of over 100 members who came out to learn about TransCanada's contracting programs and practices and the various local services that will be required for the projects throughout construction. It is this kind of information sharing and ongoing local engagement by TransCanada that assures us of their commitment to local benefits and is why we are happy to endorse TransCanada's northern BC projects.

Sincerely,

Tony Zabinsky

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President, Fort St. John & District Chamber of Commerce

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Executive Director, Fort St. John & District Chamber of Commerce

