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Hon. Mélanie Joly Minister of Industry Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada C.D. Howe Building, 235 Queen Street Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H5

Dear Hon. Mélanie Joly,

Re: Support for Anglo Teck Merger from the District of Logan Lake

This letter of support for the Anglo Teck merger is being written with thoughtful consideration from the area of the region that is most impacted by this partnership and the nearly 2.5-billion-dollar investment that is within the boundary of the *District of Logan Lake*. We'd like to first convey our enthusiastic support with a deep, but not yet full understanding, of what it will mean to the small communities that reside in this culturally and environmentally special and sensitive area of the Province.

The proposed merger signifies that there is an intent for substantial investments that the municipality supports. Furthermore, we are hopeful that these investments will bring significant partnership opportunities. We are particularly interested in the promise of an Anglo Teck partnership to enhance commitments to the protection of indigenous rights, interests, and communities. We are supportive of this initiative and will confirm a willingness to be a partner in this continued obligation.

The District of Logan Lake also looks forward to exploring any future opportunities with Anglo Teck to examine what could be possible within their commitment to a Global Institute for Critical Minerals Research and Innovation. We have been the leader in the development of Fire Smart and indeed were the developers of the federal and now multi-national program in its infancy. The District of Logan Lake has demonstrated that we recognize the importance of community protection and resiliency, but more importantly, we believe in fostering relationships that are paramount to having the ability to build programs and facilities that consider and serve to protect the values and needs of the people living in this area and those who will live here long after we are gone.

The *District of Logan Lake* is leading by example in many ways environmentally by combining the resources of Industry (both Mining and Forestry) with resources from Educational Institutions and with representation from levels of government that include Indigenous, Provincial, Regional and Local to research and come up with grass roots solutions to environmental challenges and make enhancements through education.

We are excited about what opportunities a merger with this commitment could have to further develop guidelines with principles that reflect all local knowledge around reclamation and restoration as it relates to our local environment and communities that are residing in this area.

While we enthusiastically support this merger, we respectfully request additional support from all parties, including the proponents to the merger, as well as indigenous, federal, and provincial governments, to re-open our original letters patent which is dated November 10, 1970, to address our industrial tax rate which falls far below the provincial average. Please seriously consider an uplift that reflects the considerable impacts that we will be experiencing because of this massive and welcome investment in our community.

We respectfully seek this additional taxation as one way to fund the additional resources needed to manage the added pressures this sizable investment will inevitably have on our small community that was built by the mine.

Thank you for allowing us this opportunity to offer our support of the Anglo Teck merger. We look cautiously forward to being a partner in helping ensure that we continue to be a leading example of operating collaboratively and inclusively by working together in a good way.

Sincerely,

Robin Smith Mayor

Cc: Premier David Eby

Paul Moen, Chief of Staff

Hon. Tim Hodgson, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources Hon. Jagrup Brar, Minister of Mining and Critical Minerals