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Dear **Premier Stephen McNeil**,

On behalf of the Construction Associations across Atlantic Canada, we are writing to express our interest in working with the provincial premiers in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland and Labrador to maximize the positive economic impact of federal infrastructure funds available to each of our respective provinces.

Compared to the rest of the provinces across Canada, the Atlantic provinces utilization rate is exceptionally low:

- New Brunswick: \$65.38M committed out of \$673M available (10%)
- Newfoundland and Labrador: \$71.71M committed out of \$555.9M available (13%)
- Nova Scotia: \$215.04M committed out of \$828.5M available (26%)
- PEI: \$94.49M committed out of \$367M available (26%)

We are interested in working together with the Atlantic premiers to stimulate our economy, maximize employment and provide needed infrastructure for Atlantic Canadians. We recognize our regional needs are unique and want to work with each provincial premier to ensure there is flexibility in how infrastructure funds flow to Atlantic Canada.

Across Atlantic Canada, our Associations represent more than 2,300 members in the industrial, commercial and institutional construction industries. Construction companies throughout Atlantic Canada employ over 75,000 men and women.

We welcome the opportunity to meet with the Atlantic Premiers Caucus to understand how we can support your efforts to maximize the benefits of federal infrastructure funds and address any potential barriers that may exist.

Sincerely,



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