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Dear MP Zimmer:

Thank you for your April 24, 2020 follow up letter regarding the timeframe for the reopening of Deasan Holdings Ltd.'s gravel mine in the Peace region.

I can assure you that the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources inspectors and senior geotechnical specialists are working diligently to review and process the Deasan application to resume mining. This process includes an in-depth review of the geotechnical assessment information provided by Deasan in support of the application.

The Ministry understands the importance of resuming mining for Deasan, and we will continue to work with them toward that objective. The landslide that occurred above the community of Old Fort is an extraordinary occurrence. All necessary precautions must be taken to address any risks involved in the resumption of mining.

I will keep you up to date as work on this issue progresses.

Thank you, again, for writing.

Sincerely,

Bruce Ralston
Minister

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