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Dear David Leitch:

Thank you to your delegation for meeting with Minister Donaldson and other ministry representatives during this year's virtual Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Annual Convention process.

Due to the evolving COVID-19 situation, we have had to develop new approaches and adaptations to many aspects of our everyday life. I thank your delegation for its flexibility with provincial appointments this year and I am pleased that our governments still had the chance to connect.

As Deputy Minister, I am pleased to acknowledge the discussion regarding the Bute Inlet IPP Project, and the Strathcona Regional District's concerns with the application and impacts on the entire area and your request that the Crown land tenure application be denied.

Now that we are in the election transition period, issues regarding future funding programs and other policy decisions must be deferred until after the election results are complete and the incoming government is in place. All topics brought up in your meeting will be shared with the incoming minister.

Thank you, again, to your delegation for the meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Allan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

John Allan  
Deputy Minister

David Leitch, Chief Administrative Officer

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