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Re: Supporting the Retail Council of Canada's efforts in Making Off-Peak
Delivery a Permanent Program

Dear Minister Sarkaria:

I would like to commend you and your government for your efforts in response to the health crisis during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Province's timely action to allow all businesses to deliver goods any time of the day has allowed for a timely and consistent movement of essential goods and supplies. The people of Ontario were assured that essential supplies would be available at their drug stores, supermarkets, and other retailers across the province when needed.

On behalf of the Region of Peel, I am writing to support the Retail Council of Canada's efforts to make Off-Peak Delivery a Permanent Program in Ontario.

Peel has long recognized that the regional economy is dependent on a strong goods movement system. However, our goods movement system is facing strong growth pressures and businesses are becoming increasingly challenged with delivering goods and services to the community.

To address these challenges and reduce congestion related emissions, the Region of Peel launched the Off-Peak Delivery Pilot last year in partnership with the University of Toronto, and three businesses – LCBO, Loblaw, and Walmart Canada.

Data collected from Peel's Off-Peak Delivery Pilot have shown that the average truck speed improved by 18.1%, emissions reduced by 10.6% to 15.0%, average service time increased by 11 minutes, and there have been zero noise complaints reported. These results are similar to the findings of the Off-Peak Delivery study conducted by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation and the City of Toronto during the Pan Am Games.

Off Peak Delivery has proven to be an innovative solution to address the challenges faced by the goods movement industry while minimizing the

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transportation impacts to the environment. Moving forward Peel would like to work with your office to make this program permanent and have a plan implemented prior to the lifting of the Emergency Orders.

We look forward to working with you on this very important issue.

Kindest personal regards,



Nando Iannicca
Regional Chair and Chief Executive Officer
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