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Daniel Bertrand, Area A Director Central Coast Regional District 626 Cliff St Box 186 Bella Coola BC V0T 1C0

Dear Mr. Bertrand:

It was a pleasure to speak with you and your colleagues at the 2020 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) convention. I appreciated the opportunity to learn more about the challenges and opportunities in Central Coast Regional District.

We discussed the concerns the Central Coast Regional District has regarding the number of absentee property owners in the area, including secondary homes used as vacation rentals and abandoned industrial sites. You communicated that your residents are frustrated with the housing situation and that your limited staff are unable to address the issues directly.

You committed to send the presentation that was given to Premier John Horgan at the 2019 UBCM convention. Please provide the presentation to Ashley.Chisholm@gov.bc.ca.

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

I would like to thank your delegation for the meeting.

Sincerely,

Tara Richards

Assistant Deputy Minister

Policy and Legislation Division

Jana Richards

Ministry of Finance