

November 30, 2016

Honourable Scott Moe, Minister of the Environment,
Government of Saskatchewan,
Room 345, Legislative Building,
2405 Legislative Drive,
Regina, SK, Canada, S4S 0B3.

Dear Minister Moe:

On behalf of the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce and our members, I would like to commend the Saskatchewan Water Security Agency, SaskPower and the other partners on your work this year to prevent the spread of invasive zebra mussels into Saskatchewan waters. The Saskatchewan Chamber recognizes that the challenge of protecting Saskatchewan water bodies from invasive species is a very real and very complex issue. Your efforts are appreciated.

Over the past year, the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce has increased our interest in the coordination of a better strategy to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species into our province. We see an opportunity for better coordinated communications among all stakeholders. As with our previous correspondence on this issue, we offer any assistance we may provide in this regard.

The success of 2016 does not alleviate the need for continued and in fact increased coordinated action next year and beyond. This is a potentially expensive problem. But it is preventable, and our province must make every effort to contain the issue.

Once again, we applaud your success in preventing the spread of invasive zebra mussels into Saskatchewan waters, and we look forward to continuing this success for years to come.

Sincerely,



Steve McLellan
Chief Executive Officer

cc. Susan Ross, LLM., Acting President, Saskatchewan Water Security Agency
Mike Marsh, President and Chief Executive Officer, SaskPower