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Mr. Alan M. Campbell
President
Manitoba School Boards Association
c/o Mr. Josh Watt
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Dear Mr. Campbell:

The Office of the Prime Minister has forwarded to me your letter of July 24, 2019, regarding the matter of delivering Climate Action Incentive Fund investments to schools in Manitoba. As the minister responsible for the Climate Action Incentive Fund, I have been asked to respond on his behalf.

I appreciate your concern, as it was the federal government's every intent to work with the Province of Manitoba to help its schools achieve energy reductions and cost savings.

I understand, from conversations that have taken place between Manitoba School Boards Association representatives and Environment and Climate Change Canada officials, that there is interest on the part of the Association to negotiate a funding agreement with the Government of Canada to further distribute funding to support energy retrofit projects at schools in Manitoba. Moreover, the Department understands that your organization has the ability to enter into a legally binding funding agreement with the Government, and that it has the capacity to further flow funds to school boards in Manitoba.

I would like to continue working with the Manitoba School Boards Association to more fully explore potential options to deliver funding to schools in the province for energy retrofit projects. This would include working with Government of Canada officials to determine next steps should you wish to proceed.

I look forward to these ongoing conversations as we work toward the goal of supporting schools in Manitoba.







Please accept my best regards.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Catherine McKenna, P.C., M.P.

c.c.: The Honourable Rochelle Squires, M.L.A.
Minister of Sustainable Development, Government of Manitoba