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Jan. 31, 2005

Elaine Gurney
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Re: Re-development of 207 New Toronto Street, Toronto (Etobicoke)

Dear Ms Gurney:

Thank you for your letter of Dec. 21, 2004, to E. Hunter Harrison, president and chief executive officer of CN, regarding the above noted matter. CN appreciates your interest and involvement in land use planning issues in the area.

CN is a large landowner in southern Etobicoke and has a lengthy history of involvement in community and municipal matters. We were involved in the previous Ontario Municipal Board proceedings regarding the subject property and also the subsequent considerable stakeholder meetings and consultations. CN's rail facilities in the area include a portion of the Oakville Subdivision, one of the busiest rail corridors in North America, some spur lines and the Mimico Rail Yard. In addition, GO Transit and VIA Rail Canada Inc. operate storage and maintenance facilities adjacent to Mimico Yard. The recent sale of CN's Don Yard in downtown Toronto to GO Transit will also involve relocation of some freight operations to our Mimico Yard.

CN fully supports re-development of the subject property for employment uses, which respects the nature of the rail yard operations and other industries in the area. Employment uses comply with the City's Official Plan, meet the intent of the city's Zoning By-law, and are in keeping with the predominantly industrial

character and uses of the immediate neighbourhood around the Mimico Rail Yard.

Thank you again for your letter and interest.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Hallman', written in a cursive style.

Mark Hallman
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