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Attention: Sir/Madam

**RE: NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE
HIGHWAY 417 PARKDALE AVENUE INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS (WP 4068-10-00) & HIGHWAY 417
BRONSON AVENUE INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS (WP 4089-07-01), DETAIL DESIGN**

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained McCormick Rankin (MRC), a member of MMM Group Limited, to complete the detail design for operational improvements to the Highway 417 Parkdale Avenue Interchange (WP 4068-10-00) and the Highway 417 Bronson Avenue Interchange (WP 4089-07-01). The projects involve the following components:

PARKDALE AVENUE INTERCHANGE

- Realignment of the westbound off-ramp at Parkdale Avenue;
- Widening of the Parkdale Avenue eastbound off-ramp in the vicinity of the ramp terminal intersection to provide left-turn and right-turn lanes;
- Staged construction with lane and ramp closures; and
- Construction of related works including: retaining walls, roadside protection, noise barriers, drainage works, utility relocations, landscaping, illumination, and traffic signal modifications.

BRONSON AVENUE INTERCHANGE

- Modifications to the eastbound off-ramp at Bronson Avenue to lengthen the ramp and provide additional vehicle storage, including widening the Booth Street Highway 417 overpass structure;
- Local realignment of Chamberlain Avenue to the north, to be opposite the eastbound off-ramp;
- Modifications to the eastbound off-ramp where it intersects with Bronson Avenue;
- Construction of related works including: retaining walls, roadside protection, noise barriers, drainage works, utility relocations, illumination and traffic signal modifications;
- Continuous intermediate-term lane reductions (two to three months) on Highway 417 eastbound;
- Short-term lane reductions (one to four weeks) on Bronson Avenue and Chamberlain Avenue to tie in the new construction; and
- Nightly closure of the Highway 417 eastbound off-ramp.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to attend a Public Information Centre (PIC) for these projects. The PIC is scheduled as follows:

Date:	Wednesday, April 3, 2013
Location:	Hintonburg Community Centre (Wellington Room) 1064 Wellington Street, Ottawa, ON K1Y 2Y3
Time:	4:00 PM to 8:00 PM / Presentation at 6:30 PM

A copy of the newspaper notice advertising the PIC is attached for your information. This PIC will provide stakeholders with an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed design, anticipated environmental impacts and mitigation strategy for each project. Members of the project team will be available to discuss the projects and answer any questions you may have.

These projects are following the approved environmental planning process for Group 'B' undertakings under the *Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)*, with the opportunity for public input throughout the projects. The preliminary design was documented in a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) which received environmental clearance in 2008.

If you are unable to attend the PIC but wish to obtain additional information, or to submit comments, please feel free to contact the Consultant Project Manager or the MTO Senior Project Engineer listed below. You can also visit the project website for more information at www.queenswayexpansioneast.com.

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If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this study, please contact one of the Project Team members listed above.

Under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)*, comments and information regarding this study, with the exception of personal information, will become part of the public record.

Des renseignements sont disponibles en français en composant (613) 736-7200 poste 3287, auprès de M. Michel Bisson, P.Eng., Courriel: mbisson@mrc.ca.

Yours truly,

McCormick Rankin, a member of MMM Group Limited



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Mr. Tim Dickinson, Consultant Environmental Planner – MMM Group Ltd.

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THE STUDIES

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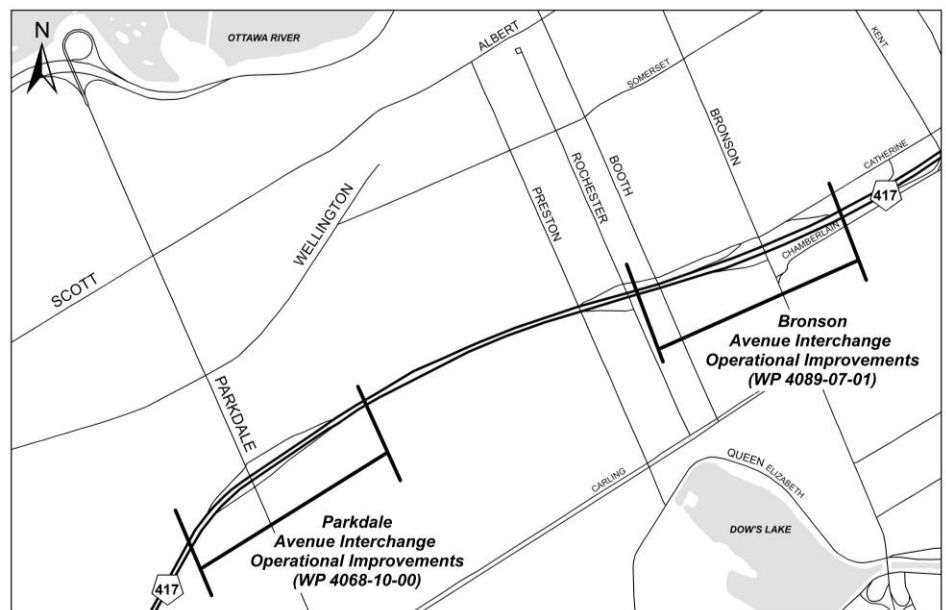
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PUBLIC CONSULTATION

A Public Information Centre (PIC) has been arranged to provide agencies, interested groups, business representatives and members of the general public with an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed design, potential impacts and proposed mitigation for each project. Members of the project team will be available at the PIC to discuss the projects with you and answer any questions you may have. The PIC is scheduled as follows:

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THE PROCESS

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COMMENTS

We are interested in hearing any comments that you may have regarding this study. If you are unable to attend the PIC and wish to obtain further information, or if you wish to provide comments, please contact either the Consultant Project Manager or the MTO Senior Project Engineer listed below. You can also visit the project website for more information at www.queenswayexpansioneast.com.

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