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Dear Ms. Madden,

Re: Detailed Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study Highway 401 Reconstruction, Municipality of Chatham-Kent, County of Essex

The Ontario Trucking Association (OTA) appreciates the necessity of this reconstruction project and the work being undertaken to accomplish it. As a major user of Ontario's infrastructure, well maintained highways are of the utmost importance to the Ontario trucking industry.

As this important work progresses, OTA asks that proper consideration is given to Long-Combination Vehicles (LCVs) which are in essence a standard tractor pulling two 53' foot trailers when designing/constructing the ramps. The Ontario LCV program has been growing steadily and designing infrastructure that can support their use will be of the utmost importance to Ontario businesses who utilize them.

OTA also asks that consideration be given to transportation companies located in the area. OTA has member companies with terminals located off the 401 in the area identified by this class EA study, and would like to ensure that during these rehabilitation phases, their access to the 401 is accounted for.

Should anyone involved in the project wish to discuss either of these subjects further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffrey Wood".

Vice President
Operations and Safety