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Subject: Economic Recovery Task Force

Dear Ministers:

This note is to update you on the formation of the Economic Recovery Task Force, which had its first meeting by conference call today. The task force is intended to provide a regular and senior level of contact for leading business organizations with government during the COVID-19 response. It will not replace individual sectoral relationships between ministries and their stakeholders.

I'm happy to answer any questions, but here are the basics:

Government membership

- Permanent members are the Premier, Minister James and Minister Mungall, with Ministers Ralston, Donaldson, Heyman, Beare and Bains as required.
- Staff support from deputies for MoF, JEDC, Labour.
- Geoff Meggs and Christine Kennedy will provide staff support, with Christine's team providing administrative and policy support.

Non-government participants

- Greg D'Avignon, BCBC
- Val Litwin, BC Chamber of Commerce
- Bridgitte Anderson, Vancouver Board of Trade
- Anita Huberman, Surrey Board of Trade
- Laird Cronk, BC Federation of Labour
- Chief Sharleen Gale, First Nations Major Project Coalition
- Rick FitzZaland, Federation of Community Social Services
- Queenie Choo, SUCCESS
- Prem Gill, Creative BC

Terms of reference

- Input on provincial programs, barriers experienced by members or employees, alignment between federal and provincial programs.
- Issues and opportunities related to essential or critical sector designations, safe operating guidelines, safe work resumption for closed business.
- Longer-term suggestions for economic recovery and resilience.

Schedule

- Expected to meet weekly by telephone conference with targeted agenda.

We will forward the full terms of reference and other materials tomorrow. Thanks for your assistance.

Geoff

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