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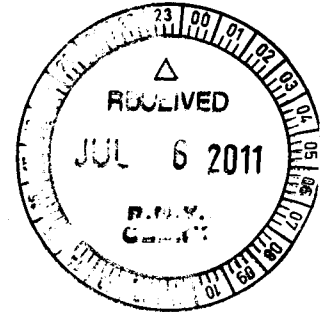
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Mr. Denis Kelly
Regional Clerk
Region of York
17250 Yonge Street
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Dear Mr. Kelly:



Re: Metrolinx Bolton Commuter Rail Service Feasibility Study

We have reviewed your letter which references the recommendations from the Region of York Council meeting that was held on May 19, 2011.

Metrolinx completed the *Bolton Commuter Rail Service Feasibility Study* in December 2010, which examined options for rail service linking the Town of Caledon, through the City of Vaughan, to Union Station in Toronto. The study concluded that a peak direction rail service, as envisioned within The Big Move, is technically feasible. However, the study also pointed out that such an undertaking would involve a capital expenditure exceeding \$300 million and would have the potential to attract about 4,400 a.m. peak period riders in the 2031 horizon.

Given the significant demands for increased GO Transit rail services across the Greater Toronto and Hamilton area, Metrolinx has had to set priorities for the growth of the system. Even with the record levels of investment in GO Transit by the Province of Ontario, it is not possible to address all demands for service.

We have set our priorities based on the relative transportation and other benefits of various projects. Based on these relative benefits and costs, rail service to Bolton is being considered beyond the 15 year planning horizon. However, to maintain options for future rail service, we are supporting York Region staff and other stakeholders in their work to review and protect the recommended facility sites through appropriate planning protection. We will also work with staff in their identification and assessment of additional GO Station sites in the core of the Nashville and Woodbridge communities.

We continue to monitor existing GO bus service in the Bolton market and will augment it as warranted by demand. Additionally, we will continue to improve rail services on adjacent corridors that bound the Bolton catchment area.

Sincerely,

Bruce McCuaig
President and Chief Executive Officer

cc: Gary McNeil, President, GO Transit