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Dear Sir:

**British Columbia Utilities Commission  
Inquiry into Gasoline and Diesel Prices in British Columbia ~ Project No. 1599007  
Shell Final Argument**

We are legal counsel to Shell Canada Limited ("**Shell**") in this matter, and write on its behalf.

Shell wishes to thank the Commission for inviting it to participate in and provide evidence in response to this Inquiry, in order to help the Commission understand how Shell participates in British Columbia's gasoline and diesel markets. Shell has sincerely appreciated the opportunity and hopes that its evidence has been of assistance to the Commission in understanding the significant competitive forces and various market dynamics that are at play in the refining, transportation, wholesale and retail sectors of the gasoline and diesel industry, and the impact that such forces have on Shell's operations in British Columbia.

In light of: (i) the nature of Shell's participation in this fact-finding Inquiry; and (ii) the extensive evidence on the Inquiry record that clearly demonstrates the presence of competitive market forces, in terms of both the wholesale and retail supply and demand dynamic, and price-based competition between gasoline and diesel wholesalers and retailers, Shell will not be filing a Final Argument submission.

Shell thanks the Commission for its diligence in conducting this Inquiry and looks forward to the release of the Commission's Report in due course.

Sincerely,



For Matthew D. Keen

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