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Dear Ms. Martinez:

Thank you for your letter of December 20, 2013, regarding Crown Copyright and Licensing and its related federal government policy. I appreciate your taking the time to share your concerns.

On June 1, 2013, the *Procedures for the Administration and Licensing of Crown Copyright* under the *Communications Policy of the Government of Canada* were rescinded and replaced with the Treasury Board's *Procedures for Publishing*.

These procedures support the government's Economic Action Plan 2013 commitment to modernize the production and distribution of government publications by shifting to electronic publishing and making print publications the exception.

They are complemented by the *Guidance on Publishing in the Government of Canada*, which further provides that, as part of this transition to government e-publications, Publishing and Depository Services discontinued its coordination services for Crown Copyright and Licensing. Canadians are asked to contact departments directly for assistance on Crown Copyright and Licensing.

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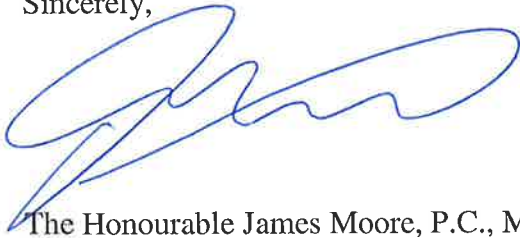
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I have noted your recommendations to help ensure consistent application of the policy on Crown Copyright and Licensing across all federal departments and agencies. The parliamentary review of the copyright legislation in 2017 will provide an opportunity to consider issues such as the ones you raised in your letter.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'James Moore', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

The Honourable James Moore, P.C., M.P.