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Ms. Marie DeYoung
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Dear Ms. DeYoung:

Thank you for your letter of October 17, 2014, regarding the consultation launched by Industry Canada on August 19, 2014, with respect to policy changes in the 3500 MHz band. I appreciate your taking the time to write.

On October 9, 2014, I issued a statement in response to inquiries about this consultation from local municipalities, Internet service providers and individual Canadians to make it clear that we are looking for a solution to balance the demands for this spectrum by both fixed and mobile services, while ensuring that Canadians can maintain their existing service. I also noted that "under no circumstances will our government take spectrum licences away from any local Internet service provider that is providing Internet service to rural Canadians." The statement can be found online at the following address:
<http://news.gc.ca/web/article-en.do?nid=891429>.

The consultation process is ongoing until November 17, 2014, and all comments will be taken into consideration prior to a decision being published.

I trust that this information is helpful. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James Moore".

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

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