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To the Standing Senate Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources and Senator Howard Wetston

From the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC)

Response to follow-up questions about uninsurable risk and procurement practices

Dear Senators,

Please find attached a response to a follow-up question by Senator Wetston regarding uninsurable risk and procurement practices.

In its October 26, 2017 presentation to the committee, the RAIC noted that transfer of uninsurable risks to professionals is a serious impediment to innovation because it creates a risk-averse and adversarial environment.

The response was prepared for the RAIC by legal and risk management experts provided by Pro-Demnity Insurance Company.

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Yours truly,

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