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Mr. Geoffrey Wilson  
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Dear Mr. Wilson,

**Re: Planned Ground Run-up Enclosure at the 'Island Airport'**

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We are writing today to follow-up on the construction of a ground run-up facility at the Island Airport. As you are very well aware, this issue has been raised many times by the community and was formally requested by the City in 2013.

We now understand that conversations are underway related to moving forward with the construction of a ground run-up facility. This is a welcome initiative as the need for further noise abatement has continuously been identified by stakeholders including the local community, City staff, and Toronto City Council.

Given that this structure is to be located on a portion of the Island Airport that is City-owned, we trust that Ports Toronto will undertake a robust public consultation process to ensure that the best possible design is achieved, while seeking to minimize any visual impact this structure may create for local residents along with tourists and visitors enjoying the Waterfront and Toronto Islands.

We understand that City staff will be in communication with you in the near future to confirm a development review and approvals process that provides opportunities for public input (including a public consultation meeting), necessary archaeological studies, and a technical review (circulated to City divisions).

We are both in full support of City staff's approach to this process and look forward to participating in it.

Sincerely,



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