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Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for your correspondence of January 30, 2017, and for providing your input regarding the review of the 2012–13 changes to the *Fisheries Act*. I appreciate the time you have taken to develop and provide this information.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada officials will consider your comments in their ongoing analysis. The Department will also study the report of the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans and other material received during the review. Following this analysis, the Department will develop proposals to address the mandate provided to me by the Prime Minister to restore lost protections and incorporate modern safeguards.

Thank you again for providing me with your thoughts on this important matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. LeBlanc'.

Dominic LeBlanc, P.C., Q.C., M.P.
Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard