



December 19, 2008

Mr. Richard Dicerni  
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**Re: PBO Information Request 003**

Dear Mr. Dicerni:

I would like to request from your Department data related to the proposed financial support package for the automotive sector. Our plan is to analyze the adequacy of the package given the public policy goal of these measures.

Attached is a detailed description of the data we require to complete our analysis.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We appreciate your cooperation. Please let us know if any part of this request requires clarification.

Yours truly,

*[signature]*

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## PBO Information Request

1) Request Number:	003
2) PBO Contact Name:	Mr Ramnarayanan Mathilakath (613-947-0561 or mathir@parl.gc.ca)
3) Type of Request:	Ad Hoc
4) PBO Objective:	A report was requested by the Member for Parkdale-High Park assessing the adequacy of the proposed financial support package.
5) Relation to Mandate:	Estimating the financial cost of a proposal that relates to a matter over which Parliament has jurisdiction.
6) Information and Data Requested:	See Attachment Below
7) Priority:	Normal
8) Date Request Sent:	December 19, 2008
9) Response Required By:	January 5, 2009

## Request for Information

The following high-level information is required to help the PBO advise parliamentarians on the proposed financial support package for the automotive sector:

1. Underlying analysis supporting the adequacy of the proposed support package
  - Objective of financial assistance;
  - General analysis of the auto sector;
  - Expected outcomes of the support package and key performance indicators;
  - Analysis of the business plans<sup>1</sup> submitted by the automobile companies including financial analysis of the big three;
2. Transaction structure<sup>2</sup>:
  - Form of financial assistance, if this has been analysed: Debtor-in-Possession, guarantees to banks, debt, equity, grants, conditional repayments or any other combination or derivative thereof;
  - Parties to the transaction and their roles;
  - Ranking of GC's financial assistance vis-à-vis other creditors;
  - Has the GC proposed any pre-conditions: e.g.: an approved re-organization plan under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, an acceptable business case, support letters/guarantees with regard to plant closures, layoffs etc.
3. Eligibility criteria for financial assistance.
4. Eligible costs:
  - Designated use of the monies: Restructuring costs, operating costs, fixed costs.

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<sup>1</sup> Have the companies submitted a business plan?

<sup>2</sup> Provide details, if the details of the transaction structure have been analysed