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Ministre de l'Emploi,  
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February 26, 2021

Mr. Yves Giroux  
Parliamentary Budget Officer  
Office of the Parliamentary Budget Officer  
900–99 Bank Street  
Ottawa ON K1A 0A9

Dear Mr. Giroux:

I am responding to your letter of February 4, 2021, concerning request for information number IR0579.

Please find enclosed the Department's nil response. Please be advised that the Department offered to provide your officials with an estimate in lieu of actuals, which was not found to meet current needs. The Department is developing assumptions to be able to provide accurate estimates for claims and costs impacted by COVID-19 measures should the Parliamentary Budget Officer wish to receive the estimates at a later date.

Should you or your staff have any questions about this response, please contact Mr. Andrew Brown, Director General, Employment Insurance Policy at [andrew.brown@hrsdc-rhdcc.gc.ca](mailto:andrew.brown@hrsdc-rhdcc.gc.ca).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Carla", with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

The Honourable Carla Qualtrough, P.C., M.P.

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