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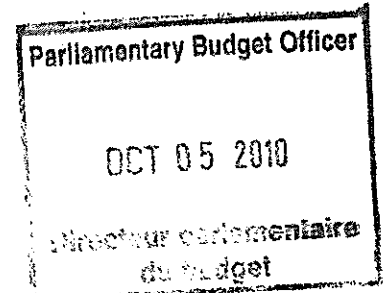
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Dear Mr. Page:

Thank you for your correspondence of September 13, 2010, in which you request any data or information that the Department of Finance has regarding the Department's cost estimate of foregone revenues from the Goods and Services Tax (GST) and the federal excise tax on fuel relief proposed in Bill S-212. The cost estimate for the GST and the federal excise tax on fuel, which was provided to the Senate National Finance Committee on September 15, 2009, was \$15 million annually.

I am attaching a document that describes the data used by the Department to arrive at this cost estimate.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Horgan

Enclosure