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Dear Mr. Giroux,

I am responding to your letter dated November 29, 2018, regarding Information Request IR0396.

I understand that a meeting between representatives of Employment and Social Development Canada and your office clarified that the purpose of the request is to have an independent estimate of the costs of the measure announced in Budget 2018 regarding changes to the Working While on Claim rules for sickness and maternity Employment Insurance (EI) benefits.

The information you requested is attached. It includes the following: two tables containing data on EI maternity benefits and EI sickness benefits for the last six years, a document explaining the data provided, a copy of the six studies required, as well as your response form, duly filled out.

If you or your staff have any questions about this response, you can communicate directly with Andrew Brown, Director General of Employment Insurance Policy (andrew.brown@hrsdc-rhdcc.gc.ca).

I trust you will find everything satisfactory. Please accept, Mr. Giroux, my very best regards.

The Minister of Families, Children and Social Development,

Original signed.

The Honourable Jean-Yves Duclos, P.C, M.P.

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