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Ms. Jane Gardner  
JPAC Chair for 2005  
c/o Secretariat of the Commission  
for Environmental Cooperation  
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Dear Ms. Gardner,

It is my understanding that over the next few weeks, the Joint Public Advisory Committee (JPAC) will complete its 2006-2010 Strategic Plan "Our Future within the CEC". I strongly support this initiative as a means to make the JPAC even more effective in its role within the Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC).

My intention was to provide you with some comments on the draft that was prepared for the public consultation period ending December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005. However, due to my active involvement in the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Montreal at the end of November and early December, I was unable to do so.

I look forward to seeing the final version of the JPAC Strategic Plan and to discussing it with you and all the JPAC members in the New Year. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your hard work and to welcome the new JPAC Chair for 2006, Mr. Carlos Sandoval.

Sincerely,

David McGovern  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
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