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Chair Greg Moore and Directors Metro Vancouver Regional Board

Re: CHAMPION SUPPORTER OF THE PARTNERSHIP

We value our long-term relationship with Metro Vancouver and are therefore pleased to inform the Regional Board that Metro Vancouver is hereby deemed to be a **Champion Supporter** of the Partnership for Water Sustainability in British Columbia.

The Champion Supporter designation recognizes both the historical and ongoing contributions of organizations such as Metro Vancouver, without which there would be no Partnership and no assets such as the Water Balance Model (WBM) decision support tool and waterbucket.ca website.

While the Partnership is a not-for-profit society, our voting members mostly represent local governments. Hence, Metro Vancouver's demonstrated commitment to achieving the vision for water sustainability in a local government setting is vitally important to the Partnership's capability to carry out our mission.

A decade ago, Metro Vancouver was a founding partner in the WBM initiative. Over the years, Metro Vancouver has hosted meetings, working sessions and forums organized by the Partnership. More recently, a \$50,000 grant from Metro Vancouver towards the **WBM Express for Landowners** leveraged almost \$250,000 in co-funding. Looking ahead, we anticipate that the Express and related "convening for action" collaborative initiatives will help the region and municipalities better deliver on regulatory compliance pursuant to actions specified in the *Integrated Liquid Waste & Resource Management Plan*.

In closing, please note that we are featuring our Champion Supporters on the Convening for Action Community-of-Interest on the waterbucket.ca website. This is the link:

http://waterbucket.ca/cfa/category/partnership-for-water-sustainability-in-bc/champion-supporters/

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