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**Re: D.P. Murphy Inc. – Application for a Retail Petroleum License
Commission Docket PD527**

I write further to the above-noted matter and the procedural timelines set by the Commission on December 16, 2024.

As the parties are aware, by letter dated October 30, 2024, the Commission established certain procedural timelines to ensure that this Application proceeded to a hearing in an orderly, timely and fair manner. In accordance with those timelines, the intervener, Ceretti's Grocery & Hardware Ltd. ("Ceretti's"), was required to submit pre-hearing written submissions, including expert reports, no later than 4:00 p.m. on **December 19, 2024**.

On December 5, 2024, Ceretti's requested that the deadline to file its expert reports be extended from December 19, 2024 to January 24, 2025. Following receipt of the Applicant's position with respect to the request for extension, the Commission wrote to the parties on December 16, 2024, granting Ceretti's an extension until 4:00 p.m. on **January 10, 2025**.

Ceretti's did not file its pre-hearing written submissions or expert reports on January 10, 2025, as directed by the Commission.

On January 13, 2025, Ceretti's, through its legal counsel, wrote to the Commission requesting a further extension to **January 20, 2025**.

Ceretti's did not file its pre-hearing written submissions or expert reports on January 20, 2025.

As of the date of this correspondence, no written submissions or expert reports have been filed by Ceretti's.

In accordance with the Commission's direction of December 16, 2024, any further request for extension by the interveners (including Ceretti's) requires either (a) the agreement of the parties, or (b) a motion to the Commission.

In the event the parties are able to agree on an extension, the Commission requires that all pre-hearing evidence (including Ceretti's expert reports and the Applicant's reply) must be served and filed no later than **10 days** before the commencement of the hearing. Any agreement between the parties must take this requirement into account.

If a motion for extension is required, the motion must be served on the parties and filed with the Commission no later than **4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 24, 2025**.

As the hearing is scheduled to begin on **February 25, 2025**, the process and timelines set out herein are necessary to ensure that the Application proceeds in an orderly, timely and fair manner.

Yours very truly,

CARR, STEVENSON & MacKAY

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