

Lockington, Elliott (SPAC/PSPC)

From: Powlowski, Marcus - Personal <[REDACTED]>
Sent: June 7, 2020 7:05 PM
To: Lockington, Elliott (SPAC/PSPC)
Subject: RE: Connecting With Elliott

Elliott,

Is there no one mass producing N95 masks yet in Canada? Medicom was suppose to but maybe not until July. I see GM in Oshawa was, as of May 26, according to a Global News press report, "ready to mass produce masks" although this seems to be surgical masks. Also there was something in the news in April about a Coquitlam plant starting production of N95 masks back in April and another article about an auto parts manufacturer making "respirator masks" in Vaughan again back in April. Has none of this come to fruition? It would be nice to here even if Medicom should be mass producing them in a few weeks....but alas if we have no good news so be it. I realize everyone is trying hard.

Regards,

Marcus

From: Lockington, Elliott (SPAC/PSPC) <elliott.lockington@canada.ca>
Sent: June 7, 2020 5:25 PM
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Subject: RE: Connecting With Elliott

Hi Marcus and Patrick,

The following is what we would be looking at for a response.

- Canadian businesses of all sizes - right across the country - have truly stepped up to help protect Canadians. Since March, we have signed contracts with domestic manufacturers for ventilators, masks and respirators, face shields, medical gowns and many other essential products.
- Since the outset of the pandemic and the launch of Canada's Plan to Mobilize Industry, domestic manufacturing has ramped up significantly, and deliveries are underway. While we are working closely with Canadian industry to build up domestic production, we have also been bringing in goods from international manufacturers to ensure Canada has the supplies it needs.
- Our government has been working collaboratively with provinces and territories to ensure that we can fulfill all request for PPE needed by our front-line workers, and we have so far distributed over 2.7 million N95s and hundreds of ventilators, along with millions of units of other critically important supplies.
- Our priority is making sure our frontline healthcare workers have what they need to stay safe, so they can continue the tireless work they're doing to keep Canadians safe.
- We are buying to meet our needs today, tomorrow and well into the future as we prepare for the months ahead in order to be ready for any eventuality.

From: Lockington, Elliott (SPAC/PSPC)
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To: Powlowski, Marcus - Personal <[REDACTED]>; Durocher, Patrick <patrick.durocher@parl.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Connecting With Elliott

Hi Marcus,

Thank you for the email.

Yes this works as a question. We are working on a response and will send it to you later today.

Thank you for teaching out.

- Elliott
PSPC
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From: "Powlowski, Marcus - Personal" <P [REDACTED]>
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Subject: RE: Connecting With Elliott

Patrick I have been in touch already with Ministers Ananad and Bain's office regarding a question and they generally agree but here is my question.

One of our government's key concerns in the pandemic is that we might run out of ventilators as happened in Northern Italy. That has not happened yet, but we are still far from heard immunity and we are expecting further waves. I don't think we will run out of ventilators however because we are developing local manufacturing capacity and I am proud to say the Thunder Bay Bombardier plant is now mass producing portable ventilators. Congratulations to the management and workers at the local plant, and O-two in Brampton, for making it happen.

Another big concern of mine as an ER doctor, and I know are government is having enough PPEs. I wanted to ask about what was happening with N95 masks. A recent meta-analysis published in the Lancet last week pretty clearly suggested that healthcare workers would be better off with N-95 masks. I know healthcare is primarily a provincial matter but what can the relevant Ministries tell me to reassure the healthcare workers that we are doing everything we can to get those masks and will have them?

How is that?

Marcus

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Subject: Connecting With Elliott

Hi Marcus,

Thank you for speaking with me just now. Just wanted to connect you with Elliott from Minister Anand's office.

As mentioned, we are working with him on ensuring we get a good response to your proposed question.

Thanks,

Tasha

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