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To: Theis, Rick; Holland, Alyx; Lamothe, Colleen
Subject: Fwd: Supplies - call readout / issues tracking

Here's a readout from today's call in case folks weren't able to join. Let me know if you want to receive these everyday.

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Begin forwarded message:

On Mar 27, 2020, at 7:45 PM, Stickney, Matt <Matt.Stickney@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:

Thanks Sabrina. These are great. Feel free to share far and wide in our office.

From: Kim, Sabrina <Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>
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Hi there – here is a readout from today's call. I usually type up notes so if you find these helpful or if you want me to share these with folks who can't join on a given day (i.e. Rick / Alyx / Colleen & I'll probably share with Brian if major issues come up) then let me know.

Also I think this is the stuff we're tracking based off today's call:

Tracking:

- Ongoing work re: domestic reagent production (recipe & manufacturing) – pressures from AB & ON
- Allocation & accounts discussion on tomorrow's call
- N95 mask order to leave China on Monday, arrive on Tuesday
- National Microbiology Lab validation of other types of swabs as a backup (including wooden tongue depressors)
- 5 LOIs going out the door today – 2 on gowns, 2 on hand sanitizer, 1 on testing kits
- Convos with GM about whether their work in the U.S. can be replicated here
- ISED launching efforts to engage w distillers across the country for sanitizer production
- Rapid point of care testing efforts – we're bringing in kits from elsewhere (with help of PSPC) so we can validate them in Canada, then we can get them out
- 220 ventilator delivery for early April

Outstanding / pressing:

- Need to see a forecast of deliveries coming in & match that up with what we actually need
- Need a definition of non-medical grade uses from PHAC / HC

Supplies Call Readout – March 27

1) PSPC UPDATE

N95 MASKS

- Critical week for N95 deliveries
- 3 million N95 masks are leaving Shanghai on Monday, here on Tuesday
- PHAC working with Amazon & delivery partners
 - o Few things to work out but hope to land an agreement in the next 24 hours where they can start taking delivery of these requests & make it known to provinces that we have this in our inventory & then provinces can order directly from Amazon
 - o Amazon offered support if our warehouses are overwhelmed
- Working on an allocation framework that will ensure we have an equitable approach in terms of ability for p/ts to access and be supported by PPE that we'd be acquiring on behalf of Canada
- **1) Were we always expecting N95 masks to leave China on Monday and arrive on Tuesday?**
 - o Yes, stable date
- **2) When we're in receipt of these masks –will PHAC need to certify them to make sure they're a certain quality before we ship them out to p/ts?**
 - o HC: Difference between the donations (which need some quick assessment on their quality and specs) versus the orders which PSPC is placing is that we're not doing an additional assessment – that has already been done
- Some folks are raising concerns about counterfeit masks but at the fed level, we're dealing with authorized re-sellers so no difficulty there

SURGICAL MASKS

- Order for 127 million – and 16 million are coming in April
 - o We have frontloaded as much as possible – and we are paying for air travel and delivery of the masks so they get here ASAP
- BYR – willing to provide dedicated production line for masks
 - o Unclear if this meets medical grade – but we scooped up a large size of this anyway – can have other uses
 - o Placed an order for 50 million masks & several million litres of hand sanitizer

Side note

- **When we get things that aren't medical grade – where do they go?**
 - o Goes into our warehouse – there is a system where we know what is being donated and by who
 - o **Non-medical grade uses need to be defined**
 - o Need to assess what we have – hope is that we can then take pics & potentially share w Amazon (this is not definite though) and then they could post online – we *could* then tell Amazon who we want as account holders (IE municipalities) who will then have access to different levels of stock
 - o **PMO – let's come back to allocation & accounts on the next call**
 - o Convo with Red Cross yesterday. They will be able to donate – once they ship, we'll do an assessment and put them online if we can.

SWABS / TEST KITS

- Priority has been to access to swabs
- Focus is getting reagents to laboratories too
 - o Receiving the recipe for reagents so we can manufacture reagents here in Canada.
- In terms of rapid point of care testing – we are bringing in kits from elsewhere (with help of PSPC) so we can validate them in Canada, then we can get them out.
- Ontario received their reagents this morning (there were some concerns / backlogs / they were one day late)
 - o This is enough for them to use for a few more days.
 - o Clarification: 2,000 of reagents = capacity for 2,000 individual tests

GLOVES

- A lot of the Chinese manufacturers are now establishing catalogues, we have an order coming from Malaysia

VENTILATORS

- Bought 1570 ventilators – expecting 220 in April
 - o Other ones are further out
- 500 GE ventilators will come end of May (earliest possible time)
- Recently bought 500 ventilators from Thornhill as well (Canadian supplier)

GOWNS

- A lot of companies have come forward saying they have technologies to sterilize gowns

2) ISED UPDATE

- 5 more LOIs going out the door today
 - o Two on gowns, two on hand sanitizer, one on testing kits
- Significant work being done to manufacture vaccines & antivirals
- Identified equipment in BC – company has agreed to hold on that stuff so we may have line of sight into a vaccine ability now
- ISED launching an effort to engage with all of the distillers across the country with respect to production of alcohol and marry them with hand sanitizer production efforts
- There are some convos with GM about whether what they're doing in the U.S. can be replicated in Canada, although there is some pushback

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