

**Kim, Sabrina**

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**From:** Kim, Sabrina  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 26, 2020 4:48 PM  
**To:** Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC)  
**Cc:** Bélair, Thierry (HC/SC); fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC); Power, John (IC); Davidson, Cole (HC/SC); MacKnight, Aisling (HC/SC)  
**Subject:** Re: CAE

I heard they will receive certification on Monday. Did you hear that too? If that is the case maybe we hold?

On Sep 26, 2020, at 3:49 PM, Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <[cecely.roy@canada.ca](mailto:cecely.roy@canada.ca)> wrote:

Hi there,

This is what our department came back with, with my re-addition at the top.

Let me know if we can proceed with this. Just noting that further changes will need to be verified by our department as they will be delivering the response.

Thanks,

Cecely Roy  
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Office of Minister Anita Anand / Bureau de la ministre Anita Anand  
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The Government of Canada has received around 1,000 ventilators to date with more on the way, including deliveries from Canadian manufacturers.

Vexos received Health Canada authorization for their ventilator on September 21. We are working with the company and the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) to finalize a delivery schedule.

CAE has filed an application with Health Canada and is working to obtain an authorization for their ventilator.

We continue to monitor demand from provinces and territories, preparing for any eventuality, as we have from the outset of the pandemic.

On Sep 23, 2020, at 5:50 PM, Kim, Sabrina <[Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca](mailto:Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca)> wrote:

Why not Cecely's? I think it's good just one moment though

**From:** Bélair, Thierry (HC/SC) <[thierry.belair@canada.ca](mailto:thierry.belair@canada.ca)>  
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I personally prefer this than what our department is suggesting, simply :

**The Government of Canada has yet to accept any ventilators from CAE and Vexos.**

On Sep 23, 2020, at 5:06 PM, Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <[cecely.roy@canada.ca](mailto:cecely.roy@canada.ca)> wrote:

This is the response we've drafted in English to be translated, as this is as much as we can say from PSPC. We are having to have the response verified with our department as they will need to send it if approved.

« The Government of Canada has received more than 1,000 ventilators to date with more on the way, including deliveries from Canadian manufacturers.

Health Canada is working closely with Vexos and CAE on the regulatory process, and we understand that CAE has manufactured units that are awaiting final approval from the regulator. The government expects to receive deliveries shortly.

We have met Canada's demands for ventilators to date. We continue to prepare for any eventuality as we have from the outset of the response to this pandemic. »

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On Sep 23, 2020, at 2:28 PM, Kim, Sabrina <[Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca](mailto:Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca)> wrote:

They're not asking about the approval of vents though, so it would be kind of weird if HC responded. I think your shop is best placed to answer because the main question pertains to deliveries from a supplier that PSPC has a contract with. Can just say we know CAE has units manufactured awaiting final approval; departments are working closely with them; Canada continues to prepare for any eventuality; we have several contracts with several ventilator suppliers & have started to receive deliveries of this product from them; we fully met the demand for vents to date; it's so great that companies are stepping up & delivering made-in-Canada things etc. One line from HC on the importance of a strong regulatory regime that ensures we're able to provide high quality products to Canadians in a timely manner could be helpful but I don't think it is mission critical. Thoughts?

**From:** Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <[cecelv.roy@canada.ca](mailto:cecelv.roy@canada.ca)>  
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The issue with that is we can't answer on the approval of the vents, will have to confirm that none have been received and will not be able to answer on the distribution, while as you have the regulator and PHAC under you, you can address the fact that ICUs are well equipped and that Canada has the vents it needs at this time, and has over the past number of months.

It may be helpful to have input from ISI on retooling and need for Canadian solutions, and we're happy to review the response.

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On Sep 23, 2020, at 1:04 PM, Bélair, Thierry (HC/SC) <[thierry.belair@canada.ca](mailto:thierry.belair@canada.ca)> wrote:

Hey, first request came in our department from la Presse Canadienne Julien Arsenault - deadline end of day today. PSPC might be worth checking if you shielding this one would be more helpful ?

Thierry

Background: In the spring, the Government of Canada awarded contracts to CAE and Vexos for each company to produce 10,000 ventilators for healthcare facilities across the country to support patients fighting COVID-19.

Questions & Answers:

Q1. Based on the most recent information available, is it possible to know how many units have been received by Ottawa from CAE and Vexos?

Q2. Are you able to say to which provinces the units were sent?

-----Original Message -----

From: Kim, Sabrina <[Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca](mailto:Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca)>

Sent: 2020-09-23 7:27 AM To: Bélair, Thierry (HC/SC) <[thierry.belair@canada.ca](mailto:thierry.belair@canada.ca)>; fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC) <[james.fitz-morris@canada.ca](mailto:james.fitz-morris@canada.ca)>; Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <[cecely.roy@canada.ca](mailto:cecely.roy@canada.ca)>; Power, John (IC) <[john.power@canada.ca](mailto:john.power@canada.ca)> Subject: CAE

Hello!

If you receive any media requests re CAE, can you let me know?

Would something along these lines work? Not urgent in any case. They did not send the statement that jams Thierry FYI. ©

"We know the company has units manufactured awaiting final approval & are working closely with them. We continue to prepare for any eventuality & it's really important to note that we have fully met the demand for this equipment to date within current stockpiles and deliveries."

Sabrina