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Good Neighbourly Relations Committee for Verdun and Le Sud-Ouest Boroughs for the New Champlain Bridge Corridor Project

Call for candidates

MONTREAL September 21, 2015 – In collaboration with Verdun and Le Sud-Ouest Boroughs, Signature on the Saint Lawrence (SSL) is launching a call for candidatures to form a “good neighbourly relations” committee for the New Champlain Bridge Corridor Project.

Known as CINPA, the “comité d’intégration du nouveau pont et de ses accès” the committee’s goal is to ensure the smooth integration of the new bridge and its access points by proactively sharing information about upcoming work and providing further details about ongoing work.

The committee will meet regularly to answer questions from residents affected by the work, find solutions to the various issues raised and provide a forum for open and transparent discussion about the project.

Committee meetings will be public and will be held in the evenings.

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To ensure adequate representation of Verdun and Le Sud-Ouest communities, SSL and the Boroughs would like the committee to be made up of:

- 2 residents of Verdun, from the Wellington-de-l’Église and/or Desmarchais-Crawford neighbourhoods
- 1 resident from Nuns’ Island
- 3 Le Sud-Ouest borough residents
- 1 person from Verdun business community
- 1 person from Le Sud-Ouest business community
- 1 person from Verdun community organization
- 1 person from Le Sud-Ouest community organization

Other committee members:

- The two Borough mayors (or their delegates)
- A representative of Signature on the Saint Lawrence (SSL)
- A representative from the Centre intégré universitaire en santé et services sociaux de l’Ouest-de-l’île-de-Montréal
- A representative of the City of Montreal
Infrastructure Canada representatives will also attend the meetings.

**Selection committee and criteria:**

Committee member selection criteria include geographic proximity to the worksites, candidate availability and local community involvement. In October, a selection committee composed of one representative from SSL and one from each of the Boroughs will choose members from among the potential candidates. The first committee meeting will take place at the end of October or the beginning of November.

**Application period:**

Applications will be accepted from **September 21 to October 4, 2015** inclusively.

**To apply:**

1. Visit the new Champlain Bridge website at [www.newchamplain.ca](http://www.newchamplain.ca).
2. Fill out the form and answer all the questions.

**About the Project**

The New Champlain Bridge Corridor Project is one of the largest infrastructure projects in North America. It also includes a new bridge leading to Nuns’ Island, and the reconstruction and widening of the federal section of Highway 15 on both sides of the river. The project is being carried out as a public-private partnership (P3) between the Government of Canada and the Signature on the Saint Lawrence consortium. Work is scheduled to take place over four and a half years.

Once completed, the new Champlain Bridge will be a brand-new, state-of-the-art, ultramodern bridge and symbol for the city.

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