New Nouveau Brunswick
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Safety and Security
Transport Canada
330 Sparks Street
Ottawa ON K1A 0N5

Dear [redacted]

Thank you for your recent response to our letter concerning the use of winter tires on the steer axle of rear wheel drive Multi-Function Activity Vehicles.

The Province would be pleased to support any physical testing that Transport Canada would be willing to undertake to resolve this issue, including the supply of one of our vehicles for use during testing. For greater clarity, the specification being used to purchase these vehicles by the Province of New Brunswick is the Canadian Standards Association CSA D270 Multi-functional activity buses standard. Typically these vehicles would not be used during heavy snow storms due to travel policy restrictions. I have asked [redacted] to be the contact on this matter and, as requested, I have asked her to contact [redacted] at Transport Canada and supply any other information required.

I welcome other interested stakeholders being informed of the testing that may be pursued; we are all in agreement that the safety of students during extra-curricular travel is of the utmost importance to us all. I also agree with the urgency of the matter and want to thank you for your assistance in addressing this important matter as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

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