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Ian Patrick  
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Dear Mr. Patrick:

Thank you for your emails sent on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014, to Premier McNeil, regarding the Waterville Municipal Airport. The Premier asked that I respond to you on his behalf.

As you know, the airport is owned by the Municipality of the County of Kings (MOK), and decisions about its operations and existence are the responsibility of MOK's Council. While the Province has a strong interest in the economic potential of Kings County, it does not have a direct role to play in decisions about the airport. The Province continues to encourage mutual dialogue between MOK and all stakeholders but cannot interfere in a decision by MOK Council regarding municipally owned property.

I appreciate hearing your concerns and receiving the information you sent. The Province will continue to urge all parties to continue discussions so that decisions are made with input from a broad range of perspectives.

Yours very truly,

Michel P. Samson  
Minister

- c: Honourable Stephen McNeil, MLA, Premier of Nova Scotia  
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