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Honourable Laurie Scott  
Minister of Labour  
Ontario Ministry of Labour  
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RE: Appointment of Dr. Paul Demers:  
Ontario review of occupational cancer

Dear Minister Scott

I was pleased to receive notice last week that the Ministry of Labour has appointed Dr Demers to conduct a review of the scientific evidence for the role of workplace exposures in the causation of cancer among workers in Ontario. Dr Demers is internationally recognized for his expertise in this field. We are confident his review will be rigorous and thorough.

Our congratulations to your office for this appointment. The review will anchor current and future priorities in the Occupational Disease and Illness Prevention Strategy. The findings of the review will also strengthen the consistency and clarity of decision-making on the part of the Ontario Workplace Safety & Insurance Board.

I expect the review will have significant influence in provincial jurisdictions across the country. The Institute for Work & Health has active collaborations with the Occupational Cancer Research Centre and we will be available to support Dr Demers in the review.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cameron Mustard', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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