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Dear Oliver:

CHAMPION SUPPORTER OF THE PARTNERSHIP Re:

On behalf of the Directors, and in recognition of your organization's commitment to helping us advance the vision for water sustainability in British Columbia, we are pleased to inform you that the POLIS Project on Ecological Governance is hereby deemed to be a Champion Supporter of the Partnership for Water Sustainability in BC.

The Champion Supporter designation allows the Partnership to formally recognize agencies and organizations that provide substantial financial and/or in-kind support that in turn enables the Partnership to develop tools and deliver programs under the umbrella of Convening for Action in British Columbia.

Our collaboration dates back to the genesis of the Partnership a decade ago. POLIS helped us launch the Convening for Action initiative in February 2005. You were a founding member of the CAVI Leadership Team in 2006. You have never hesitated to play defining roles in outreach and education events organized by the Partnership, for example - Penticton Water Balance Workshop (2005), Showcasing Green Infrastructure Innovation Series (2008) and Worth Every Penny Workshop (2010).

We appreciate the contributions that you have made on the many occasions and venues when we have aligned our efforts. POLIS has indeed been a consistent warrior on the water sustainability front! The Partnership appreciates POLIS' unique ability to bridge academic research with successful, on-the-ground action, and your team's unflagging efforts to catalyze a true shift towards a new model for ecosystembased water management and governance in Canada.

In closing, please note that we are featuring our Champion Supporters on the Convening for Action Community-of-Interest on the waterbucket.ca website. This is the link:

http://waterbucket.ca/cfa/category/partnership-for-water-sustainability-in-bc/champion-supporters/

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