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February 8, 2021

The Honourable Raj Chouhan  
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly  
Parliament Buildings  
Victoria BC V8V 1X4

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Please find attached a report regarding a regulation made on February 8, 2021, under the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act*, SBC 2020, c. 8 (CRMA). This report is presented pursuant to subsection 4 (2) of the CRMA.

Subsection 4 (4) of the CRMA requires that this report be laid before the Legislative Assembly as soon as possible. Fellow Members of the Legislative Assembly have expressed to me their desire that, despite the Legislative Assembly not currently sitting, reports made under Section 4 of the CRMA be distributed to them by your office as soon as is possible.

The *COVID-19 (Provincial Court Proceedings) Regulation* provides authority for the Chief Judge or Associate Chief Judge of the Provincial Court, only where it is reasonably necessary to do so as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic or for consistency with COVID-19 public health advisories, to give directions or make orders relating to (1) how specific proceedings may be conducted, including audioconference, videoconference, or by written submission; (2) service, delivery, filing or submission of materials relating to proceedings; and (3) how a hearing or determination for specific procedure may be conducted.

This regulation applies retroactively to March 18, 2020 and will remain in effect until July 10, 2021.

Members may direct any questions to me in respect of this report and the effects of the attached regulation.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. Eby', written in a cursive style.

David Eby, QC  
Minister of Attorney General  
and Minister Responsible for Housing

Attachment: *COVID-19 (Provincial Court Proceedings) Regulation* (B.C. Reg. 25/2021)