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Reeve Barbara Shepherd
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Dear Reeve Shepherd:

Thank you for taking the time during the Rural Municipalities of Alberta Fall 2021 Convention to meet with me to discuss updates on the Assessment Model Review, and your concerns about the Education Property Tax collection.

I appreciated the opportunity to hear your municipality's concerns and build on our relationship during the meeting. I will share that Bill 77, the *Municipal Government Amendment Act*, was recently proclaimed. These important amendments restore the special liens, giving municipalities priority to collect unpaid property taxes from oil and gas companies.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office if you require any additional information regarding our discussion during the convention. I look forward to working with you and your council to build strong and resilient communities in our great province.

Sincerely,

Ric McIver
Minister

cc: Tim Timmons, County Manager, Lacombe County