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The committee met at 1400 in room 151 and by video conference.

ELECTION OF CHAIR

The Clerk of the Committee (Ms. Tanzima Khan): Good afternoon, honourable members. I hope everyone is doing well.

As there is a vacancy, it is my duty to call upon you to elect a Chair. Are there any nominations? MPP Triantafilopoulos.

Ms. Effie J. Triantafilopoulos: I'd like to nominate MPP Natalia Kusendova to be Chair of the committee.

The Clerk of the Committee (Ms. Tanzima Khan): Does the member accept this nomination?

Ms. Natalia Kusendova: I accept.

The Clerk of the Committee (Ms. Tanzima Khan): Are there any further nominations? Seeing that there are no further nominations, I declare the nominations closed and MPP Kusendova duly elected Chair of this committee.

MPP Kusendova, would you kindly come and take the Chair?

The Chair (Ms. Natalia Kusendova): Good afternoon, members and staff. I would like to thank you all for electing me as Chair of this committee.

Before we move on to any other business, I will do an attendance check. I will ask each of the members the following questions: if they are present, to confirm that they are in fact the honourable member and to confirm that they are in Ontario.

So that everyone is aware, we also have the following members in the room: MPP Triantafilopoulos, MPP Babikian, MPP Burch and MPP Harden.

We have the following members present with us online—welcome, MPP Amy Fee. Could you please state your name and that you are in Ontario?

Ms. Amy Fee: Good afternoon. Yes, this is Amy Fee. I'm in my riding of Kitchener South—Hespeler.

The Chair (Ms. Natalia Kusendova): Thank you. We have MPP Bhutila Karpoche.

Ms. Bhutila Karpoche: Bhutila Karpoche here, present, in Toronto.

The Chair (Ms. Natalia Kusendova): Thank you. We have MPP Jeff Yurek.

Mr. Jeff Yurek: It's Jeff Yurek in St. Thomas.

The Chair (Ms. Natalia Kusendova): Thank you very much. We have MPP Dave Smith.

Failure of sound system.

The Chair (Ms. Natalia Kusendova): I hope our broadband investments reach your riding very soon, MPP Smith. Can you repeat that, please?

Mr. Dave Smith: Sorry. It's MPP Dave Smith, and I am in Peterborough—Kawartha.

The Chair (Ms. Natalia Kusendova): Thank you very much. We also have MPP Deepak Anand.

Mr. Deepak Anand: Thank you, Chair. I'm right next to your riding. I am in Mississauga. This is Deepak Anand. I'm trying to be right close to a really good riding.

The Chair (Ms. Natalia Kusendova): Excellent. Thank you kindly.

Did I miss anyone? Okay. Is there any other business for today? Seeing that there is no further business, this committee is now adjourned. Thank you.

The committee adjourned at 1403.

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