[Your name and contact here]

[Date]

[Candidate name]

*By email*

Dear [Candidate Name],

*(This template is intended for you to edit to include your own experiences and opinions).*

My name is [*name*]. I am writing on behalf of [*organization or community*] and I live in [*location*].

As we prepare for British Columbia’s 2024 election, I am writing to ask you and your colleagues to clearly state your commitment for the province to immediately fund Geoscience BC this fiscal year with an initial $5.25 million to help it leverage significant matching contributions from industry, federal agencies, trusts and other partners.

Continued provincial support is essential to ensuring Geoscience BC can continue to manage and co-fund independent geoscience research in collaboration with members and partners from industries, governments, communities and Indigenous groups in BC. Its focus on critical minerals and metals, cleaner energy, carbon management and water research is essential to understanding the economic benefits and environmental risks needed to make balanced natural resource decisions in BC.

*[Consider adding your own experience:*

* *Why do you care about Geoscience BC? What is your connection to, or how have you benefited from or contributed to, Geoscience BC and its research?*
* *Include any stories that show how Geoscience BC research has been valuable to you, your company or community. How have you used the research?]*

Thank you for considering this request. If you would like to discuss it any further, please contact me at [*contact details*].

Yours sincerely,

[*Your name and details*]