ARIDO
Association
of Registered
Interior Designers
of Ontario

November 11, 2015

R. Bruce Reynolds,
Borden Ladner Gervais, LLP
Scotia Plaza, 40 King Street West
Toronto, Ontario M5H 3Y4

Dear Mr. Reynolds,

On behalf of the Association of Registered Interior Designers of Ontario (ARIDO), I would like to thank you for including ARIDO and the profession of interior design as a stakeholder for consultation during your expert review of the Construction Lien Act. We appreciate the time you are taking to ensure inclusion of all professions and industry partners that are impacted by the Construction Lien Act.

We have reviewed the information package and have the following recommendations:

1. Consider a value equal to the work required to reach 100% Completion and as estimated at the date of Substantial Completion, be withheld at the time of final the holdback release until such time as 100% completion is reached regardless if the lien period has expired.
2. Currently, there is no recourse for the owner (client) to get the contractor back in to the complete the work.
3. We concur with the adoption of a phased substantial completion or phased release of holdback.
4. ARIDO support the principles of Bill 69 and prompt payment where it is a solution that it is encompassing of all applicable professions and stakeholders.

We thank you again for the opportunity to participate as a stakeholder and look forward to participating in the meetings on November 12, 2015.

Yours truly,

Sharon Portelli, CAE
Executive Director and Registrar

cc. James K. Little