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**The Honourable Nikki R. Haley**  
Governor  
State of South Carolina  
1205 Pendleton Street  
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Dear Governor Haley:

It is my great pleasure to invite you to the next annual conference of the Southeastern United States-Canadian Provinces (SEUS-CP) Alliance, taking place in Toronto, Ontario, on June 4-6, 2017. I am delighted that Ontario is hosting next year's meeting, as it marks the alliance's 10th anniversary.

Over the past decade, each of our member jurisdictions has worked to deepen relationships and create new, mutually beneficial business partnerships with fellow alliance members. And, collectively, we continue to work together to seek out the best possible opportunities that will help ensure our competitiveness as a region.

As you know, the Canadian and US economies are deeply intertwined, with integrated supply chains that cross the border. In the face of ever-increasing global competition, it is vital that we continue to work together for the benefit of people on both sides of our border.

The 2017 conference theme is Trade Partnerships at Work. Through business-to-business matchmaking sessions and a line-up of expert speakers, we will continue to explore and build commercial opportunities, particularly in ICT, sustainable technologies and automotive manufacturing.

The Heads of Delegation program will kick off with an opening reception on the evening of June 4. Please confirm your availability with Mr. Bill Carr, Senior Manager of International Policy in Ontario's Office of International Relations and Protocol, at [bill.carr@ontario.ca](mailto:bill.carr@ontario.ca) or 416-325-8552.

I look forward to welcoming you to Ontario. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Wynne  
Premier

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