

June 29, 2024

President Laurent Le Bon  
The Centre Pompidou  
Place Georges-Pompidou  
75004 Paris, France

Dear Mr. Le Bon,

I am writing on behalf of the State of New Jersey with regards to the proposed Centre Pompidou x Jersey City project.

While we are honored that Jersey City was selected as the first North American location for a Centre Pompidou facility, we have decided to pause this project indefinitely. Due to the ongoing impact of COVID and multiple global conflicts on the supply chain, rising costs, an irreconcilable operating gap, and the corresponding financial burdens it will create for New Jersey's taxpayers, the Legislature has rescinded financial support, leaving us to determine that this project is unfortunately no longer feasible.

Although we are disappointed by this outcome, we nonetheless want to extend our deepest appreciation and gratitude to the Centre Pompidou team. Over the past three years, the members of your staff have been collaborative, courteous, and highly professional. And while the door on this particular project has now been closed, we are eager to explore possibilities of opening new doors, with our partners in France, in the years to come.

Here in New Jersey, we take great pride in our unique and unwavering connection with the people of France. Despite the many miles that separate our state from your nation, we are united by an affinity for the arts and a longstanding tradition of cultural expression. And, as we look ahead, we hope to continue strengthening the economic and cultural bond between New Jersey and France.

We thank you once again for your interest in New Jersey and the opportunities our state presents to artists from all around the world. And we look forward to the prospect of collaborating with you in the future.

Sincerely,



Tim Sullivan  
Chief Executive Officer  
New Jersey Economic Development Authority