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Dear Jody Hemeon:

RE: Botwood Flower's Hill Quarry (the Project)

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental environmental assessment screening committee and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by Part X of the Newfoundland and Labrador **Environmental Protection Act**, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Upon consideration of the comments received, please be advised that an Environmental Preview Report (EPR) is required.

The EPR is a report that supplements the information provided by the proponent in the environmental assessment registration document. Additional information requirements include, but are not limited to:

- Identify an access route to the proposed quarry that:
 - Is located outside the Wind Energy Reserve (existing roads within the reserve can be used);
 - Complies with Department of Transportation and Infrastructure's highway access policy requirements; and
 - Satisfies the requirements of the lease holder (Crown Lands lease 158455) if the road needs to cross over the waterline easement.
- A commitment to maintain a minimum 50-metre naturally vegetated buffer along all waterbodies in the event that the quarry boundaries are amended.

- A Water Resources Management Plan that identifies the potential effects of the Project on nearby wetlands and waterbodies and describe onsite water and sediment control measurements.
- A Project-specific Contingency Plan to enable a quick and effective response to a spill event.

An Environmental Assessment Committee will be appointed for the purpose of providing you with technical and scientific advice regarding the preparation of the EPR. As per the legislative requirements, within 60 days of this letter you will be issued guidelines for the completion of the EPR. Please be reminded that, in accordance with the Environmental Protection Act, project activities may not proceed until the proposal is released from environmental assessment.

If you have any questions about the environmental assessment process, please contact Joanne Sweeney, Director of the Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or via e-mail at joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,



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