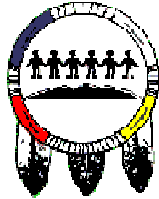

APPENDIX A
Aboriginal Consultation



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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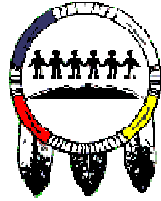
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Mnidoo Mnising Power and Northland Power Enter Equal Partnership on Northern Ontario Wind Project

SUDBURY, ON (February 10, 2011) – Mnidoo Mnising Power ("MMP"), a company formed by the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising First Nations ("UCCMM"), has entered into a 50/50 partnership with Northland Power Inc. ("Northland") (TSX:NPI) to develop the McLean's Mountain 60 megawatt Wind Farm Project, located on Manitoulin Island in Lake Huron.

"The United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising are committed to the thoughtful and responsible development of our natural resources, where our families' needs are addressed and that provides a better future for our young people," said UCCMM Tribal Chair Chief Shining Turtle. "Our shared ownership with Northland Power is an important model of how First Nations can work closely with the private sector and government on something that both benefits our people and supports the Province of Ontario's leadership in renewable energy."

"Northland is proud to continue to expand its relationships with First Nations," said Northland CEO John Brace. "We see First Nations and community partnerships as central to our growing portfolio of clean and renewable energy projects. McLean's Mountain and future projects will provide energy to Ontario and resources to strengthen UCCMM communities, while respecting our environment."



ABOUT MMP

Mnídoo Mnising Power is a corporation established by the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnising (UCCMM) a tribal council based on and around Manitoulin Island in Ontario, Canada. Its members include M'Chigeeng First Nation; Sheguiandah First Nation; Sheshegwaning First Nation; Aundeck-Omni-Kaning First Nation; Whitefish River First Nation; and Zhiibaahaasing First Nation. UCCMM formed Mnídoo Mnising Power to lead renewable energy projects on Manitoulin Island in order to protect First Nations' rights, heritage and ensure the future for First Nations' youth. The 50/50 partnership with Northland Power starts with the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project but includes all future renewable energy projects on the UCCMM First Nations' traditional territory, and down the road may include solar, hydro, gas or electrical infrastructure projects.

ABOUT NORTHLAND POWER INC.

Northland owns or has an economic interest in nine power projects totalling over 1,050 MW (net 815 MW). Northland's assets comprise natural-gas-fired plants which efficiently and cleanly produce electricity and steam, as well as facilities generating renewable energy from wind, solar and biomass. Northland's plants are located in Canada, the United States and Germany. In addition, Northland has the 86 MW Spy Hill project, 260 MW North Battleford project and 100 MW Mont Louis wind farm in construction, and 216 MW of wind, solar and run-of-river hydro projects awarded under the Ontario Power Authority's feed-in-tariff program in advanced stages of development. In December 2010, Northland was awarded a 20-year power purchase agreement for a 24 MW wind farm in Frampton, Quebec. Northland also has a diverse development portfolio of high-quality 'Clean and Green' energy projects, including wind, solar, natural gas, and hydro assets to support its strategy of sustainable growth.

Northland's common shares, preferred shares and two series of convertible debentures, which trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbols NPI, NPI.PR.A, NPI.DB and NPI.DB.A, respectively, are qualified investments for RRSPs, RRIAs and DPSPs under the Canadian Income Tax Act. Northland has in place a dividend re-investment plan that allows common shareholders who are residents of Canada to automatically have their monthly cash dividends reinvested in additional common shares. Participants do not pay any costs associated with the plan, including brokerage commissions. For further information or to join the plan, contact your financial advisor or broker.

Aboriginal Communications Log

**Aboriginal (First Nation & Métis) Communications Log:
McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project**

**Last Updated:
July 2011**

<u>Respective First Nation or Métis community</u>	<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Acronym</u>
AUNDECK OMNIKANING FIRST NATION	AOK	CHIEFS OF ONTARIO	CO
M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION – AKA WEST BAY	M'CHFEN	MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO	MNO
SAGAMOK FIRST NATION	SAGFN	ONTARIO NATIVE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION	ONMA
SERPENT RIVER FIRST NATION	SRIVFN	UNION OF ONTARIO INDIANS	UOI
SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION	SHEGFN	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN	UCCM
SHESHEGWANING FIRST NATION	SHESHFN	Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure	MEI
WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION	WFRFN	Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	INAC
WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	WIKFN	Economic Development Officer	EDO
ZHIIBAHAASING FIRST NATION	ZIHBFN	Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs	MAA
		Northland Power Inc.	NPI
		Dillon Consulting Limited	Dillon

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1.	July 2004	AUNDECK OMNIKANING FIRST NATION	Patrick Madahbee	Chief	13 Hill St. R.R. #1, Box 21 Little Current, ON, P0P 1K0 Phone: (705) 368-2228 Fax: (705) 368-3563	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI meets with the Chief and Council to discuss project type and design • NPI also develops a working relationship with the Aundeck Omnikaning First Nation's construction company. The Aundeck Omnikaning First Nations provides NPI with water and snow removal equipment when a team came to drill core samples for a preliminary geotechnical study on 3 locations of the proposed project. • NPI discusses the employment opportunities during the construction phases of the proposed project. • NPI plans follow-up 	Need response from AOK regarding a follow up meeting.

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						meetings to focus community's questions, comments, and aboriginal and treaty concerns.	
2.	June 2006	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION			Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI meets to discuss Power development and their activities going forward. 	Not required
3.	July – October 2006	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Peltier Rolland Pangowish	Power Development Land Claims Negotiator	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Several visits by NPI to Wikwemikong band office to discuss treaty <i>versus</i> non treaty items. 	Not required
4.	December 2006	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Peltier	Power Development	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI Meets to discuss community's project progress and their concerns about local distribution line capacity. 	Not required
5.	February 2007	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION			Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI attends Casino Rama "First Nations Energy Alliance" Conference as per invitation by 	Not required

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					POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	Wikwemikong.	
6.	April 2007	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION			Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI meets to discuss the availability of the local distribution system capacity when NPI was considering the development of "Standard Offer Projects" that all three parties were trying to develop. 	Not required
7.	April 2007	M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION	Joe Hare	Chief	53 Hwy 551 P.O. Box 2 West Bay, Ontario POP 1GO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI meets to discuss the availability of the local distribution system capacity when NPI was considering the development of "Standard Offer Projects" that all three parties were trying to develop. 	Not required
8.	May 2007	M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION			53 Hwy 551 P.O. Box 2 West Bay, Ontario POP 1GO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI visits the Minister of Energy's office with Chief Corbiere to appeal for local distribution line upgrades. 	Not required
9.	May 2008	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION			Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI meets to discuss the First Nation's concerns with Nape's bidding a wind 	Not required

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					P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	farm SOC project.	
10	June 2008	SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION	Georgina Thompson Vicky Corbiere Audrey Bone	Chief Band Manager (former) Band Manager (present)	Sheguiandah First Nation SHEGUIANDAH, ON POP 1W0 Ph: (705) 368-2781 Fax: (705) 368-3697	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The members of the Sheguiandah First Nation express support for the proposed McLean's Wind Farm project. In agreement with a recommendation of the Chief, NPI considers employing young members of the Sheguiandah First Nation in the construction of the proposed project. Agreement on a meeting in the form of a community forum. NPI awaits a mutually agreed upon date to do this. NPI holds discussions regarding usage of Sheguiandah ceremonial lands to erect wind turbines. 	Need response from SHEGFN regarding a follow up meeting.
11	July 2008	SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION	Audrey Bone	Band Manager (present)	Sheguiandah First Nation SHEGUIANDAH, ON POP 1W0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI meets with Band Manager Audry Bone and one councillor to discuss 	Not required

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					Ph: (705) 368-2781 Fax: (705) 368-3697	further the use of Sheguiandah lands and introduce the group to an informal layout for turbines and roads.	
12.	July 2008	AUNDECK OMNIKANING FIRST NATION (AOK)	Patrick Madahbee	Chief	13 Hill St. R.R. #1, Box 21 Little Current, ON, POP 1K0 Phone: (705) 368-2228 Fax: (705) 368-3563	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI meets to discuss project layout and to confirm the First Nation's interest in providing services to the project. 	Not required
13.	July – August 2008	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION			Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further discussions with Wikwemikong regarding the distribution lines. 	Not required
14.	August 2008	SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION	Audrey Bone	Band Manager (present)	Sheguiandah First Nation SHEGUIANDAH, ON POP 1W0 Ph: (705) 368-2781 Fax: (705) 368-3697	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI attends Can WEA "Wind and Aboriginal Lands" Conference in Ottawa and meets with Audrey Bone of Sheguiandah. 	Not required
15.	August 2008	M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION	Grant Taibossgai	EDO	53 Hwy 551 P.O. Box 2 West Bay, Ontario POP 1G0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI meets the economic development officer of the M'Chigeeng First Nation at a conference in Toronto. 	Not required

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16	October 2008	SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION	Georgina Thompson, Chief		Sheguiandah First Nation SHEGUIANDAH, ON POP 1W0 Ph: (705) 368-2781 Fax: (705) 368-3697	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI informs Sheguiandah of the plan to complete Stage 1 Archaeological Study and invites their attendance and review. 	Not required
17	October 2008	AUNDECK OMNIKANING FIRST NATION (AOK)	Patrick Madahbee	Chief	13 Hill St. R.R. #1, Box 21 Little Current, ON, POP 1K0 Phone: (705) 368-2228 Fax: (705) 368-3563	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preliminary meeting to discuss the project. 	Not required
18	October 2008	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Peltier Rolland Pangowish	Power Development Land Claims Negotiator	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI meets to discuss shared use of lines agreement (discussing NPI's usage of transmission not distribution) 	Not required
19	June 1 st , 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN (UCCM)	Art Jacko	Manager of Lands and Resources	1110 Highway 551 P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UCCM confirmed meeting scheduled for June 4th, 2009 with NPI. Indicated that the scheduled meeting with the UCCM Board (Chiefs and councils) is for information purposes only and does not constitute consultations with UCCM First Nations regarding the proposed project. 	Not required
20		UCCM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Métis 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends Notice and Letter of Project Restart 	Not required

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		Nation of Ontario <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ontario Native Women's Association • Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation • Sheguiandah First Nation • Wikwemikong Unceded First Nation • Shesheganing First Nation • Zhiibaahaasing First Nation • M'Chigeeng First Nation 				and PIC	
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23						•	
24	June 8 th , 2009	MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO	Métis Consultation Unit		Métis Nation of Ontario 500 Old St. Patrick St, Unit 3 Ottawa, ON K1N 9G4 T: 613-798-1488 TF: 800-263-4889 F: 613-722-4225	• NPI sends Notice and Letter of Project Restart and PIC	Not required
25	June 8 th , 2009	ONTARIO NATIVE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION			Ontario Native Women's Association 212 East Miles Street Thunder Bay, Ontario P7C 1J6 Phone: (807) 623-3442 Toll Free: 1-800-667-0816 Fax: (807) 623-1104	• NPI sends Notice and Letter of Project Restart and PIC	Not required
26	June 9 th , 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN (UCCM)			1110 Highway 551 P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0	• NPI meets with UCCM where the following items are discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ UCCM is creating a protocol for all First Nations of the UCCM to follow for engagement with developers; ○ That it is NPI's 	Not required

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						<p>intention to complete permitting and FN consultations to ensure that the project can begin construction as soon as conditions (economic and other) are favourable;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chief Franklin Paibomsai mentioned that as the Aundeck Omni Kaning and Sheguiandah were the nearest FN's and that these FN would likely have the greatest interest in this project; ○ NPI advised that a public meeting would be held June 25, 2009 that the UCCM and the individual FN would be invited and encouraged to 	

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						<p>come, but that NPI are willing to meet separately with them later; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ UCCM indicated that that want the project to create jobs for FN members. 	
27	June 10 th , 2009	AUNDECK OMNIKANING FIRST NATION (AOK)	Craig Abotossaway	Chief	13 Hill St. R.R. #1, Box 21 Little Current, ON, POP 1K0 Phone: (705) 368-2228 Fax: (705) 368-3563	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI sends a letter advising of the project restart, an offer to meet with the communities to discuss their concerns and interests, and an invitation to the June 25, 2009 PIC. 	Not required
28	June 10 th , 2009	SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION	Georgina Thompson, Chief		Sheguiandah First Nation SHEGUIANDAH, ON POP 1W0 Ph: (705) 368-2781 Fax: (705) 368-3697	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI sends a letter advising of the project restart, an offer to meet with the communities to discuss their concerns and interests, and an invitation to the June 25, 2009 PIC. 	Not required
29	June 10 th , 2009	M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION	Isadora Bebamash Art Jacko	Chief Manager of Lands and Resources	53 Hwy 551 P.O. Box 2 West Bay, Ontario POP 1G0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI sends a letter advising of the project restart, an offer to meet with the communities to discuss their concerns and interests, and an invitation 	Not required

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						to the June 25, 2009 PIC.	
30	June 10 th , 2009	SHEHEGWANING FIRST NATION	Elizabeth Lafrod	Chief	Sheshegwaning First Nation P.O. Box 1 Sheshegwaning ON POP 1Y0 Phone: (705) 283-3292 Fax: (705) 283-3481	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends a letter advising of the project restart, an offer to meet with the communities to discuss their concerns and interests, and an invitation to the June 25, 2009 PIC. 	Not required
31	June 10 th , 2009	UNION OF ONTARIO INDIANS			Head Office Nipissing First Nation P.O. Box 711 North Bay, ON P1B 8J8 Phone:(705)497-9127 Toll Free: (877)702-5200 Fax:(705)497-9135	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends a letter advising of the project restart, an offer to meet with the communities to discuss their concerns and interests, and an invitation to the June 25, 2009 PIC. 	Not required
32	June 10 th , 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN			1110 Highway 551 P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends a letter advising of the project restart, an offer to meet with the communities to discuss their concerns and interests, and an invitation to the June 25, 2009 PIC. 	Not required
33	June 10 th , 2009	WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION	Franklin Paibomsai	Chief	46 Bay of Islands Road Birch Island, Ontario POP 1A0 Tel: 705-285-4335/4334 Fax: 705-285-4532	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends a letter advising of the project restart, an offer to meet with the communities to discuss their concerns and 	Not required

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						interests, and an invitation to the June 25, 2009 PIC.	
34.	June 10 th , 2009	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Hazel Fox-Recollet, Chief		Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI sends a letter advising of the project restart, an offer to meet with the communities to discuss their concerns and interests, and an invitation to the June 25, 2009 PIC. 	Not required
35.	June 10 th , 2009	ZHIIBAHAASING FIRST NATION	Irene Sagon Kells, Chief		Zhiibaahaasing First Nation (Cockburn) General Delivery SILVERWATER, ON P0P 1Y0, Tel: (705) 283-3963 Fax: (705) 283-3964	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI sends a letter advising of the project restart, an offer to meet with the communities to discuss their concerns and interests, and an invitation to the June 25, 2009 PIC. 	Not required
36.	June 19 th , 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN	Art Jacko	Manager of Lands and Resources	1110 Highway 551 P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requested that NPI provide the following information to UCCM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Map of turbine location ○ All studies conducted as a result of the project ○ Environmental Health and Impact Studies ○ Contract and Employment 	This request was discussed at the June 4 th , 2009 meeting.

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						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Standards ○ Timeline /Schedule 	
37	July 9 th , 2009	INDIAN AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS CANADA	Joelle Montminy	Director General, Negotiations – Central, Assessment and Historical Research		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmed that there are no comprehensive or special land claims to the proposed wind farm project. Suggested to contact Specific Claims Branch 	Contacted June 12, 2009
38	July 15 th , 2009	AUNDECK OMNIKANING FIRST NATION (AOK)	Craig Abotossaway	Chief	13 Hill St. R.R. #1, Box 21 Little Current, ON, P0P 1K0 Phone: (705) 368-2228 Fax: (705) 368-3563	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 15th, 2009. 	Not required
39	July 15 th , 2009	CHIEFS OF ONTARIO			111 Peter Street, Suite 804 Toronto, ON M5V 2H1 Toll Free: 1-877-517-6527 Phone: (416) 597-1266 Fax: (416) 597-8365	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 15th, 2009. 	Not required
40	July 15 th , 2009	M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION	Chief and Council		53 Hwy 551 P.O. Box 2 West Bay, Ontario POP 1G0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 15th, 2009. 	Not required
41	July 15, 2009	SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION	Georgina Thompson, Chief		Sheguiandah First Nation SHEGUIANDAH, ON POP 1W0 Ph: (705) 368-2781	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 	Not required

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					Fax: (705) 368-3697	15 th , 2009.	
42.	July 15, 2009	SHESHEGWANING FIRST NATION	Chief and Council			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 15th, 2009. 	Not required
43.	July 15, 2009	ONTARIO NATIVE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION			Ontario Native Women's Association 212 East Miles Street Thunder Bay, Ontario P7C 1J6 Phone: (807) 623-3442 Toll Free: 1-800-667-0816 Fax: (807) 623-1104	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 15th, 2009. 	Not required
44.	July 15, 2009	UNION OF ONTARIO INDIANS			Head Office Nipissing First Nation P.O. Box 711 North Bay, ON P1B 8J8 Phone:(705)497-9127 Toll Free: (877)702-5200 Fax:(705)497-9135	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 15th, 2009. 	Not required
45.	July 15, 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN			1110 Highway 551 P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 15th, 2009. 	Not required

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46	July 15 th , 2009	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION			Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 15th, 2009. 	
47	July 17, 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN	Art Jacko Franklin Paimbossai	Lands and Resources Officer Chief, Tribal Chair	1110 Highway 551 P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI receives a letter from UCCM advising that the UCCM will only consult with the Crown in regards to the proposed project. 	Not required
48	July 21, 2009	ONTARIO MINISTRY OF ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS	Martin Rukavina	Aboriginal and Ministry Relationships Branch		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OMAA advised that in addition to the First Nations and Aboriginal organizations that were already contacted by NPI i.e., the following First Nations also be contacted by NPI: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Sagamok First Nation ✓ Serpent River First Nation Advised that the following Métis organizations be consulted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Ms. Pauline Sulnier, Métis Nation of Ontario. ✓ Métis Consultation Unit, Métis Nations of Ontario 	Contacted.
49	July 22,	UNITED CHIEFS AND			1110 Highway 551	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter to the UCCM in 	Addressed in September

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	2009	COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN			P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0	response to the July 17, 2009 letter sent to several Ontario Ministers regarding the proposed Northland Power Inc. (NPI) McLean's Mountain Wind farm to be located south of the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation and to the south-west of the community of Little Current.	23 rd , 2009 letter.
50	July 24 th , 2009	MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO	Ms. Pauline Saulnier	PCMNO Region 7 Councillor Métis Nation of Ontario & Métis Consultation Unit	Métis Nation of Ontario 500 Old St. Patrick St, Unit 3 Ottawa, ON K1N 9G4 T: 613-798-1488 TF: 800-263-4889 F: 613-722-4225	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 24, 2009. 	Not required
51	July 24 th , 2009	SAGAMOK FIRST NATION	Chief and Council		Sagamok Anishnawbek P.O. Box 610 Massey On. POP 1P0 Tel: (705) 865-2421 Fax: (705) 865-3307	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 24, 2009. 	Not required
52	July 24 th , 2009	SERPENT RIVER FIRST NATION	Chief and Council		49 Village Rd Cutler, ON PO Box 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and 	Not required

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					Cutler, ON P0P 1B0 705-844-2009	release of final ESR on July 24, 2009.	
53	July 24 th , 2009	WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION			46 Bay of Islands Road Birch Island, Ontario P0P 1A0 Tel: 705-285-4335/4334 Fax: 705-285-4532	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 24th, 2009. 	Not required
54	July 24 th , 2009	ZHIIBAHAASING FIRST NATION			Zhiibaahaasing First Nation (Cockburn) General Delivery SILVERWATER, ON P0P 1Y0, Tel: (705) 283-3963 Fax: (705) 283-3964	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends letter advising of planned posting of Notice of Study Completion and release of final ESR on July 24th, 2009. 	Not required
55	August 20, 2009	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Peltier	Power Development	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invitation to NPI to participate in the partnership offer. 	Not required
56	August 21 st , 2009	MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO	Melanie Paradis	Director – Métis Nation Consultation Group	Métis Nation of Ontario 500 Old St. Patrick St, Unit 3 Ottawa, ON K1N 9G4 T: 613-798-1488 TF: 800-263-4889 F: 613-722-4225	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI calls to arrange for a meeting to discuss possible effects of the proposed project on the Métis rights including Traditional Ecological Knowledge. 	MNO to arrange meeting place and time.
57	August 25 th , 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF	Lynn Corbiere	Executive Liaison	Anishinabek Nation Head Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicated that the discussions that took place 	Need response from UCCM regarding consultation

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		MANITOULIN , ANISHINABEK NATION POLITICAL OFFICE	Partick Wedaseh Madahbee	Officer Grand Council Chief	Nippising First Nation P.O. Box 711 North Bay, ON P1B 8J8	with NPI were informal in nature and that he did not mandate to confirm any arrangement with NPI without full consultation with his Council and the community. Indicated that it is imperative that proper consultation and accommodation of the First Nations on Manitoulin. Island take place.	protocol.
58	September 23, 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE MINISTRY OF ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES	Ogimaa Shining Turtle and all the UCCM chiefs Honourable George Smitherman The Honourable Brad Duguid	Chief and Tribal Chair	UCCM 1110 Highway 551 P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0 Hearst Bolck, 4 th Floor 900 Bay Street, Toronto ON M7A 2 E1 160 Bloor Street East, 4 th Floor Toronto, ON M7G 2E1 Whitney Block 6 th Floor Room 6630, 99 Wellesley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Northland Power Inc (NPI) acknowledged project request for elevation and request to discuss issues related to the Crown Duty to Consult. Indicated that NPI wishes to make every effort to demonstrate its desire to consult with First Nations, their Chiefs, Councils and members. NPI asked to discuss arrangements for a meeting with the UCCM. NPI Correspondence forwarded 	Not required

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		ONTARIO MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT	The Honourable Donna Cansfield The Honourable John Gerresten		Street West, Toronto ON, M7A 1W3 12 th Floor, 135 St Clair Avenue West, Toronto ON M4V 1P5	to MEI, MAA, MNR, MOE and all the chiefs of the UCCM via facsimile.	
59	September 25 th , 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN	Ogimaa Shining Turtle	Chief and Tribal Chair	UCCM 1110 Highway 551 P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI (John Brace) Called the Chief (Shining Turtle) to go back to the UCCM and asking for another meeting with the UCCM. 	Not required
60	September 29 th , 2009	MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO	Melanie Paradis	Director of Lands, Resources and Consultation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI expressed further interest subsequent to discussions with MNO to meet with the representatives of MNO to discuss the project. 	Need response from UCCM regarding preferred date for a meeting.
61	October 9 th , 2009	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN	Franklin Paimbosai	Chief Whitefish River First Nation/Sheguandah First Nation and Auneck Omni Kaning First Nation	Via facsimile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI informs Chief of the opening of the new NPI office located at 23A Vankoughnet Street East, Little Current, On, POP 1K0, and invites Chief to the office. 	Not required

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62	November 12, 2009	SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI met with Chief Aguonie of Sheguiandah to review information presented at the June public meeting as well as to plan a community information session on the proposed project. 	Need response from SHEFN regarding preferred date for a community meeting/presentation.
63	November 16, 2009	Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch Ministry of the Environment	Sandra Guido	Senior Program Support Coordinator Renewable Energy Team	2 St. Clair Ave West, Floor 12A, Toronto ON M4V 1L5 Tel: 416.314.6802 Fax: 416.314.8452 sandra.guido@ontario.ca	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-mail to Sandra Guido (MOE) list of Aboriginal Communities that NPI has communicated with to date regarding their proposed McLean's Mountain Wind Farm as well as summary of Aboriginal consultation activities carried out by NPI to date. 	Not required
64	December 7, 2009	Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch Ministry of the Environment	Sandra Guido	Senior Program Support Coordinator Renewable Energy Team	2 St. Clair Ave West, Floor 12A, Toronto ON M4V 1L5 Tel: 416.314.6802 Fax: 416.314.8452 sandra.guido@ontario.ca	E-mail to Sandra Guido from Rick Martin (NPI) to Sandra Guido (MOE) providing copies of letters sent to the identified First Nations and Métis communities and agencies. Letters describe NPI's fulfillments of the REA requirements and ask for specific information in regards to potential adverse effects that the project could have on	Not required

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						the constitutional and/or treaty rights of the above noted First Nations.	
65	December 4 th , 2009	AUNDECK OMNIKANING FIRST NATION	Abotossaway	Chief		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI emailed Chief Abotossaway indicating that light of the changes that have occurred recently with the Renewable Energy Act and the increased local opposition to the project that we NPI would like to have the opportunity to meet with the AOK to discuss the project. 	Not required
66	December 1, 2009	AUNDECK OMNIKANING FIRST NATION M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Chief and Council Chief and Council Chief and Council Chief and Council			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent letters to the local identified First Nation communities advising of the proposed project as well as of the new approval process under Ontario Regulation 359/09 – Renewable Energy Approval (REA) under the <i>Green Energy Act</i>. This letter provided a summary of each of the “REA Reports” that are to be 	Not required

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		UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO				<p>released and requested that the identified First Nation communities provide in writing any information available to their communities that in their opinion, should be considered in preparing the "REA Reports" and in particular, any information their communities may have about the adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts.</p>	
67	January 18, 2010	AUNDECK OMNIKANING FIRST NATION M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION	Chief and Council Chief and Council Chief and Council			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Draft submission package for review and comment. The documentation included in the REA Draft submission package supplements the information included in the McLean's Mountain Wind 	Not required

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		WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO	Chief and Council			Farm Environmental Screening Report/Environmental Impact Statement (ESR) provided earlier (July 2009).	
68	March 2, 2010	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Peltier	Power Development	53 Hwy 551 P.O. Box 2 West Bay, Ontario POP 1GO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-mail to Gordon Potts (NPI). Indicated that Chief Hare has confirmed that M'Chigeeng has applied for a 4 MW project under the FIT program. Asked that Chief Hare be informed of any options/discussion to secure their project and/or find a solution to meet the needs required. Indicated that a meeting with the OPA and MEI would be timely. 	Not required
69	March 4, 2010	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Peltier	Power Development	53 Hwy 551 P.O. Box 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-mail to John Brace (NPI). Indicated that 	E-mail to John Brace (NPI). Indicated that Rick Martin

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					West Bay, Ontario POP 1GO	<p>Wikwemikong would like to formalize a consultation and accommodation agreement with Northland Power. Indicated that Wikwemikong has a significant interest on Manitoulin Island and in the development of renewable energy in the short term and long term. Indicated that Wikwemikong would like to work cooperatively with you to achieve mutual benefits. Indicated that in addition to the environmental impacts, Wikwemikong need to understand the socio-economic impacts of the proposed project its impacts. Asked that NPI is prepared to undertake a consultation and accommodation agreement with Wikwemikong and work with Wikwemikong to seek a mutually beneficial solution here on Manitoulin Island.</p>	<p>(NPI) confirmed a meeting with Wikwemikong for Monday, March 8th at 1:00 pm. Indicated that contacting the office of Chief Hazel Fox-Recollect to confirm her availability. Also indicated that a meeting with OPA and Hydro One be arranged as soon as possible to clarify the limits and possible solutions to move our respective projects forward.</p>

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70	March 8, 2010	WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION	Chief Franklin Paibomsai			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-mail message: indicated that the Whitefish River First Nation is not in support of the proposed project. 	E-mail message: Rick Martin (NPI) indicated that NPI is trying to follow the requirements of appropriate Aboriginal consultation and asked for a mutually accepted process to fulfil the Duty to Consult. Asked to speak to Chief
71	March 18, 2010	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Peltier	Power Development	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-mail message: responded to Rick Martin's (NPI) telephone call (March 17, 2010) asking that a meeting be arranged to discuss various issues involving the McLean's Mountain project and the Manitoulin transmission capacity situation and possible solutions. Indicated that Wikwemikong was preparing a letter to NPI in response to NPI's request for comments and our previous discussions. 	NPI met with Brian Hay of the Ontario Power Authority.

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72	March 17, 2010	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Peltier	Power Development	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-mail message: Indicated that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wikwemikong and the First Nations on the island are not opposed to renewable energy. Indicate that there are legitimate concerns with the current scale and impacts of the McLean's Mountain project an that the First Nations need to ensure their interests are respected. ○ Indicated that Rick Martin (NPI) was to arrange a meeting with the Ministry of Energy and the OPA regarding the capacity issues which affect the development of the Northland Power project on Manitoulin as well as the Wikwemikong project. ○ Indicated that Wikwemikong First Nation was interested 	Not required

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						<p>in seeking a solution that would allow Wikwemikong to develop an initial community power project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Indicated that Wikwemikong met with representatives of the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (UCCM) on March 12th in Whitefish River and that a statement from the Anishinabek of Mnido Mnissing would be forwarded to NPI and the Crown requesting that a consultation framework be established. 	
73.	March 19, 2010	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND APPROVALS BRANCH	Doris Dumais	Director	2 St. Clair Ave West, Floor 12A, Toronto ON M4V 1L5 Tel: 416.314.8001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter to Rick Martin (NPI) from Doris Dumais (MOE EAAB) copy to NEMI regarding noise receptors and vacant lots 	Not required
74.	March 23, 2010	UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MANITOULIN	Art Jacko	Manager of Lands & Resources	United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin P.O. Box 275	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-mail message to rick Martin (NPI) re: "Manitoulin Island Chiefs 	Not required

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					M'Chigeeng, Ontario POP 1G0 Ph 705-377-5307, ext 207 Fax 705=377-5309	Position on Northland Power Wind Farm". Letter attached from all Chiefs of Manitoulin Island regarding the proposed project. Letter addressed to Minister of Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure regarding the Province's (Ontario) position on Duty to Consult.	
75	March 25, 2010	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Pelletier	Power Development	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email request to Brian Hay (Director, First Nations and Métis Relations, Ontario Power Authority) to arrange a meeting between the OPA/Hydro One and Ministry of Energy. The purpose of the proposed meeting: to discuss a solution to the First Nation's issues of consultation and accommodation and the Manitoulin grid capacity. E-mail message: Rick Martin confirms Northland Power Inc's (NPI) interest in a mutually acceptable way of moving forward. 	Not required

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						Indicates that NPI continue to have a very cooperative relationship with Wikwemikong Unceded First Nation. Asked for a meeting to discuss the items related to transmission and distribution allocation.	
76.	March 26, 2010	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION	Roger Pelletier	Power Development	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email request to Brian Hay (Director, First Nations and Métis Relations, Ontario Power Authority) continued to arrange a meeting between the OPA/Hydro One and Ministry of Energy. Indicated that the meeting can be considered as part of the consultation and accommodation process and an important component of the longer term "Manitoulin Enabler" transmission initiative. 	Not required
77.	April 12, 2010	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION		Chief and Council	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI met to discuss grid issues and NPI's position. 	Not required

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					POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851		
78.	April 15, 2010	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVALS AND ASSESSMENT BRANCH	Doris Dumais	Director	2 St. Clair Avenue West Floor 12A, Toronto ON M4V 1L5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MOE Provides Director's Aboriginal Communities List under REA. 	NPI to notify all of the Aboriginal communities and organizations listed by the Director.
79.	April 15, 2010	WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION	Ogimaa Shining Turtle	Chief	46 Bay of Islands Road, Birch Island, Ontario POP 1A0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter to Rick Martin (NPI) regarding adverse health effects and industrial wind turbines as well as regarding Aboriginal Treaty Rights. 	April 16 th , 2010 Rick Martin provides a written (letter) acknowledging the receipt of Chief Shining Turtle's letter of April 15 th , 2010. Indicates that NPI (Rick Martin and John Brace) wish to meet with the Chief to address the stated issues and concerns. NPI provides a written response to the potential health effects associated with the proposed McLean's Mountain Wind Farm.
80.	April 15, 2010	CHIEFS OF ONTARIO	Hazel Recollet, CEO and all Chiefs		111 Peter Street Suite 804 Toronto, Ontario M5V 2H1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter from John Brace (NPI CEO) to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up on NPIs correspondence of 	

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						<p>April 7th, 2010</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Advise that NPI has had positive discussions with Wikwemikong First Nations regarding NPIs support on grid connection issues ○ To seek indication of UCCMs interest in developing wind, water and solar power projects and the UCCM's preferred locations and obstacles to advancing them. 	
81.	May 6, 2010	WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION	Ogimaa Shining Turtle	Chief	46 Bay of Islands Road, Birch Island, Ontario P0P 1A0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter to John Brace and Rick Martin regarding meeting with Whitefish River First Nation Chief and Council. Indicates that the next available meeting time would be in October 2010. Asked that NPI provide information on the scope of the duty to consult and accommodate 	NPI is developing a response.

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						Whitefish River First Nation that the Province of Ontario has delegated to NPI.	
82	May 7, 2010	WIKWEMIKONG FIRST NATION		Chief and Council	Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve 19a Complex Drive P.O. Box 112 POP2J0 Tel: 705-859-3122. Fax: 705-859-3851	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI met to discuss NPI's partnership offer. 	Not required
83	May 11, 2010	CHIEFS OF ONTARIO UNION OF ONTARIO INDIANS			111 Peter Street Suite 804 Toronto, Ontario M5V 2H1 Head Office Nipissing First Nation P.O. Box 711 North Bay, ON P1B 8J8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends a letter advising of project and process as per MOE's list of Aboriginal Communities to be consulted (April 15th, 2010). NPI notifies of submission of the Final REA Application to the MOE scheduled for early May 2010 and asks that information be provided regarding potential adverse impacts of the project on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and recommendations for measures to mitigate these adverse impacts. 	Not required
84	May 11,	North Channel	Larry Foltz, President	President	57 Causley Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends a letter advising 	Not required

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	2010	Métis Council			P.O. Box 1408 Blindriver, Ontario P0R 1B0	of project and process as per MOE's list of Aboriginal Communities to be consulted (April 15 th , 2010). NPI notifies of submission of the Final REA Application to the MOE scheduled for early May 2010 and asks that information be provided regarding potential adverse impacts of the project on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and recommendations for measures to mitigate these adverse impacts.	
		Sudbury Métis Council	Richard Sarrazin,	President	260 Alder Street, Upstairs Sudbury, ON P3C 5P4		
		Whitefish Lake First Nation	Arthur Petahtegoose	Chief	25 Reserve Road P.O. Box 39 Naughton, ON P0M 2M0		
85	May 11, 2010	Sheshegwaning First Nation		Chief and Council	General Delivery Sheshegwaning, Ontario P0P 1X0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sends a letter advising of project and process as per MOE's list of Aboriginal Communities to be consulted (April 15th, 2010). NPI notifies of submission of the Final REA Application to the MOE scheduled for early May 2010 and asks that information be provided regarding potential 	Not required
		Zhiibaahaasing First Nation		Chief and Council	Cockburn Island General Delivery Silver Water, Ontario P0P 1Y0		
		Sagamok Anishnawbek First		Chief and	Spanish River		

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		Nation Serpent River First Nation		Council Chief and Council	PO Box 610 Massey, Ontario POP 1P0 P.O. Box 14 48 Village Road Cutler, Ontario POP 1B0	adverse impacts of the project on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and recommendations for measures to mitigate these adverse impacts.	
86	July 13 th , 2010	Union of Ontario Indians (UOI)	Lynn Corbiere	Executive Liaison to Grand Council Chief Patrick Madahbee	Nippising First Nation PO Box 711 North Bay ON P1B 8J8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On June 30th, 2010 MOE (Kristina Rudzki) advised that NPI follow up with the UOI, as one of the additional identified Aboriginal groups by the MOE, to confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 13, 2010 Dillon (Beatrice Ashby) on behalf of NPI (Rick Martin) e-mailed Lynn Corbiere asking to advise whether your organization has any interests in the proposed McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project. The letter of May 11, 2010 from NPI was attached.
87	July 13 th , 2010	Chiefs of Ontario	Margaret Carpenter	Administrative Assistant	111 Peter Street, Suite 804, Toronto, ON M5V 2H1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On June 30th, 2010 MOE (Kristina Rudzki) advised that NPI follow up with the Chiefs of Ontario, as one of the additional identified Aboriginal groups by the MOE, to confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 13, 2010 Dillon (Beatrice Ashby) on behalf of NPI (Rick Martin) telephoned the Chiefs of Ontario office and left a voicemail for Ms. Carpenter

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88	July 13 th , 2010	Whitefish Lake First Nation		Director of Operations	Whitefish Lake 6 25 Reserve Road POP Box 39, Naughton ON POM 2M0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On June 30th, 2010 MOE (Kristina Rudzki) advised that NPI follow up with the Whitefish Lake First Nation, as one of the additional identified Aboriginal groups by the MOE, to confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 13, 2010 Dillon (Beatrice Ashby) on behalf of NPI (Rick Martin) telephoned the band office and confirmed that the Chief and Council had received on May 14th, 2010 the Letter from NPI dated May 11, 2010. Beatrice had left a voicemail for the Director of Operations asking if the Sagamok Anishnawbek First could confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project as per letter of May 11, 2010 from NPI.
89	July 14 th , 2010	Ontario Women's Association (OWA)			212 East Miles Street, Thunder Bay, ON P7C 1J6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On June 30th, 2010 MOE (Kristina Rudzki) advised that NPI follow up with the Ontario Women's Association, as one of the additional identified Aboriginal groups by the MOE, to confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 14, 2010 Dillon (Beatrice Ashby) on behalf of NPI (Rick Martin) telephoned the OWA's office and left a voicemail.

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90	July 15 th , 2010	Métis Nation of Ontario	Brian Tucker		500 Old St. Patrick Street Unit 13, Ottawa, ON K1N 9G4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On June 30th, 2010 MOE (Kristina Rudzki) advised that NPI follow up with the MNO, as one of the additional identified Aboriginal groups by the MOE, to confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 15, 2010 Dillon (Beatrice Ashby) on behalf of NPI (Rick Martin) telephoned Brian Tucker and left a voicemail.
91	July 15 th , 2010	Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation	Paul Eshkakogan	Chief	Spanish River PO Box 610 Massey, Ontario POP 1P0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On June 30th, 2010 MOE (Kristina Rudzki) advised that NPI follow up with the Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation, as one of the additional identified Aboriginal groups by the MOE, to confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 13, 2010 Dillon (Beatrice Ashby) on behalf of NPI (Rick Martin) telephoned the band office and on July 15, 2010 sent a facsimile transmission to Paul Eshkakogan asking the Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation to confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project. A copy of the May 11, 2010 letter from NPI was enclosed.
92	July 15 th , 2010	Serpent River First Nation	Isadore Day	Chief	P.O. Box 14 195 Village Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On June 30th, 2010 MOE (Kristina Rudzki) advised 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 13, 2010 Dillon (Beatrice Ashby) on

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					Cutler, Ontario POP 1B0	that NPI follow up with the Serpent River First Nation, as one of the additional identified Aboriginal groups by the MOE, to confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project	behalf of NPI (Rick Martin) telephoned the band office and on July 15, 2010 sent a facsimile transmission to Chief Isadore Day asking the Serpent River First Nation to confirm whether they have any interests in the proposed project. A copy of the May 11, 2010 letter from NPI was enclosed.
93	July 24 th , 2010	Chiefs of Ontario			111 Peter Street, Suite 804, Toronto, ON M5V 2H1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent a letter to the Chiefs of Ontario with a copy of the Project Description Report asking whether the Chiefs of Ontario have any interests in the proposed project. 	<p>On July 27th, 2010 Dillon followed up via telephone. It was indicated that the letter of May 11, 2010 was forwarded to Sue Chibou, Environment Coordinator (home office number: 705-942-3100).</p> <p>Dillon telephoned Ms. Chibbou and she indicated that unless the individual first nations contact her directly then The Chiefs of Ontario have no interest in the project and they will</p>

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							not get involved unless asked to do so by the individual community.
94.	July 24 th , 2010	Union of Ontario Indians	Lynn Corbiere	Executive Liaison to Grand Council Chief Patrick Madahbee	Nippising First Nation PO Box 711 North Bay ON P1B 8J8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent a letter to the ONWA with a copy of the Project Description Report asking whether the North ONWA have any interests in the proposed project. 	On July 27 th , 2010 Dillon followed up via telephone. Lynn Corbiere the Executive Liaison to the grand chief indicated that she passed along the May 11 th , 2010 letter to Jason Larond (phone extension 2263), the Lands and Resources Manager. Ms. Corbiere indicated that the UOI as the Union, have no interest in the project themselves but that they would consult with local first nations if requested/required.
95.	July 24 th , 2010	Ontario Native Women Association (ONWA)			212 East Miles Street, Thunder Bay, ON P7C 1J6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent a letter to the ONWA with a copy of the Project Description Report asking whether the North ONWA have any interests in the proposed project. 	On July 27 th , 2010 Dillon followed up via telephone. The executive director and her assistant (Cindy) were unavailable.
96.	July 24 th , 2010	Sudbury Métis Council	Richard Sarrazin,	President	260 Alder Street, Upstairs Sudbury, ON P3C 5P4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent a letter to the Sudbury Métis Council with a copy of the Project Description Report asking 	

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						whether the Sudbury Métis Council have any interests in the proposed project.	
97	July 24 th , 2010	North Channel Métis Council	Larry Foltz, President	President	57 Causley Street P.O. Box 1408 Blindriver, Ontario P0R 1B0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent a letter to the North Channel Métis Council with a copy of the Project Description Report asking whether the North Channel Métis Council have any interests in the proposed project. 	
98	July 24 th , 2010	Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation	Paul Eshkakogan	Chief	Spanish River P0 Box 610 Massey, Ontario P0P 1P0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent a letter to the Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation with a copy of the Project Description Report asking whether the Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation have any interests in the proposed project. 	<p>On July 27th, 2010 Dillon followed up via telephone. It was indicated that the appropriate contact is Ms. Nikki Manitowabi with Saulteaux Enterprises (the Sagamok's Economic Development Corporation). Phone number: 705-865-1134. I</p> <p>Dillon contacted spoke with Ms. Manitowabi who indicated she is not aware of the correspondence form NPI. She provided her email address: gm@saulteauxenterprises.com.</p>

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							ca and Dillon forwarded a copy of the May 11th letter and the PDR.
99	July 24 th , 2010	Serpent River First Nation	Isadore Day	Chief	P.O. Box 14 195 Village Road Cutler, Ontario POP 1B0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent a letter to the Serpent River First Nation with a copy of the Project Description Report asking whether the Serpent River First Nation have any interests in the proposed project. 	On July 27 th , 2010 Dillon followed up via telephone. It was indicated that both the chief and assistant were not available. It was confirmed that the Serpent River First Nation office received the letter and that the letter was passed on to the chief. It was indicated that the Chief would contact us if there are any questions.
10	July 24 th , 2010	Sheshegwaning First Nation		Chief and Council	General Delivery Sheshegwaning, Ontario POP 1X0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member of UCCM, NPI continues discussions with UCCM 	NPI sent a letter to the Sheshegwaning First Nation with a copy of the Project Description Report asking whether the Sheshegwaning River First Nation have any interests in the proposed project.
10	July 24 th , 2010	Whitefish Lake First Nation		Director of Operations	Whitefish Lake 6 25 Reserve Road POP Box 39, Naughton ON POM 2M0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPI sent a letter to the Whitefish Lake First Nation with a copy of the Project Description Report asking whether the Whitefish 	On July 27 th , 2010 Dillon followed up via telephone and left another voice message for Craig asking to confirm whether

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						Lake First Nation have any interests in the proposed project.	Whitefish Lake First Nation has any interest, questions or concerns about the project or if they would like to set up a meeting.
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101	July 24 th , 2010	Métis Nation of Ontario	Brian Tucker		500 Old St. Patrick Street Unit 13, Ottawa, ON K1N 9G4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Second follow up the May 11, 2010 Letter 	On July 27 th , 2010 Dillon followed up via telephone and left another voice message for Mr. Tucker asking to confirm whether MNO has any interest, questions or concerns about the project or if they would like to set up a meeting.

This Consultation Log includes all Aboriginal Consultation to the point where NPI began negotiations with UCCM to become project partners. Between August 2010 and February 2011 negotiations between UCCM and NPI which resulted in the 50/50 partnership to develop the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm.

**Correspondence with Aboriginal
Communities/Agencies**



April 20th, 2011

Chief Craig Abotossaway
Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation
(Sucker Creek)
R.R. # 1 Box 21
Little Current, ON
POP 1KO

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North Channel Métis Council

Dan Belisle, President
P.O. Box 1408
Blindriver, ON
P0R 1B0

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Ontario Native Women's Association

212 East Miles Street
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Chief Paul Eshkakogan
Sagamok Anisknawbek First Nation
PO Box 610
Massey, ON
P0P 1P0

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Serpent River First Nation
48 Village Road
Cutler, ON
POP 1B0

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Sheguiandah First Nation
P.O. Box 101
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Zhiibaahaasing First Nation
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Roger A. Giroux, President

P.O. Box 81

Site 18 RR#3

Sudbury, ON P3E 4N1

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United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin

1110 Highway 551
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Whitefish Lake First Nation
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25 Reserve Road
Naughton, ON P0M 2M0

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Wikwemikong First Nation
P.O. Box 112
19a Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, ON
POP 2J0

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April 20th, 2011

Chief Hazel Fox-Recollet
Wikwemikong First Nation
P.O. Box 112
19a Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, ON
POP 2J0

Dear Chief Fox-Recollet,

**Re: McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project
Changes to Project Components - Public Information Centre**

Northland Power Inc. (NPI) would like to follow up with the Wikwemikong First Nation regarding the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project. As you may recall, NPI proposes to develop the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm (MMWF), located south of the community of Little Current, in the Municipality of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands (NEMI); geographic Township of Howland, and the geographic Township of Bidwell in the District of Manitoulin, Ontario in the Traditional Lands of the Anishnabe of Mnidoo Mnising. We are pleased to inform you that Mnidoo Mnising Power (MMP) are now full partners in the project.

A contract has been obtained for the sale of electricity from wind with the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) through the Province's Feed-in-Tariff (FIT) program. The project will require approval under Ontario Regulation 359/09 – Renewable Energy Approval (REA) under the *Green Energy Act*. The REA process replaces the previous process that required several separate approvals including for example, the *Environmental Assessment Act*, *Planning Act* and *Environmental Protection Act*.

As required by *O. Reg. 359/09*, NPI prepared a Draft REA Package including supplementary documentation in fulfillment of REA requirements which was made available for a 60-day review period on January 18th, 2010. The package of materials was mailed to the Wikwemikong First Nation in January 2010 and has also been available at: the municipal office of the Township of the Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands, at the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm, Little Current Office and on the project website www.northlandpower.ca (click tab for Development Projects). Comments on the draft REA reports were requested by March 18th, 2010.

Since publicly releasing the Draft REA Reports in January 2010, the hub heights of the wind turbines have changed from 80 metres to 100 metres in height. Also, there has been a reduction in the number of wind turbines. The proposed MMWF project will now include 24 wind turbines with an installed capacity of 60 MW.

NPI and MMP would like to take this opportunity to inform you that a Public Information Centre has been scheduled to present the proposed changes to the project and to respond to questions, issues and concerns. The Notice of PIC is enclosed for your information. Details are as follows:

DATE: Wednesday May 18th, 2011
TIME: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
PLACE: Royal Canadian Legion No 177,
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April 20th, 2011

Chief Irene Sagon-Kells
Zhiibaahaasing First Nation
General Delivery
Silver Water, ON
POP 2J0

Boozhoo Aniish na?,

**Re: McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project
Changes to Project Components - Public Information Centre**

Kirsten and I would like to express our excitement in working with you as our new partners. As part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process all identified First Nation communities are to be notified of any changes to the project in question. Please understand that this letter is to comply with these requests. We understand that through your leadership and your involvement in Mnidoo Mnising Power (MMP) you will already be fully aware of the changes mentioned herein.

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McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project

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May 11th, 2010

Zhiibaahaasing First Nation

Cockburn Island
General Delivery
Silver Water, Ontario
POP 1Y0

Dear Chief and Council,

**Re: Northland Power Inc., McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project
Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Final Application Submission**

In June 2009 Northland Power Inc. (NPI) sent a letter to your community informing of the proposed McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project restart. The proposed project has been in its planning stages since 2004. NPI would like to follow up with the Zhiibaahaasing First Nation regarding the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project and NPI's communications with your community.

On April 15th, 2010 the Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) provided Northland Power Inc. (NPI) with a letter indicating that the Zhiibaahaasing First Nation should be notified of the proposed McLean's Mountain Wind Farm project. Accordingly, this letter is being sent to your community as a reminder that NPI proposes to develop the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm, located south of the community of Little Current, in the Municipality of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands; geographic Township of Howland, and the geographic Township of Bidwell in the District of Manitoulin, Ontario. The proposed wind farm is expected to consist of forty (40) wind turbines that will generate about seventy-two (72) megawatts (MW) of electricity. It is NPI's intention to obtain a contract for the sale of electricity with the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) through the Province's Feed-in-Tariff (FIT) program.

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The following addresses the above noted REA requirements:

Project Description

The Project Description Report for this project will be available as part of the Final REA Application Submission.

Information Regarding any Adverse Impacts on Aboriginal or Treaty Rights

There are no First Nation communities in the project area. The Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation reserve is located on the northern edge of the project area on the North Channel and Highway 540, five (5) kilometers west of Little Current. There are no turbines or project components proposed within the reserve lands of this First Nation.

The closest First Nation communities to the project area include:

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Since 2004, NPI has had correspondence/discussions with the above noted First Nation communities (as well as others) and more recently with the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (UCCM) and the Métis Nation of Ontario. NPI has stated, on a number of occasions, it's willingness to meet with the above noted community representatives to discuss the Project and to receive any comments or questions.

NPI has no specific information in regards to potential adverse effects that the project could have on the constitutional and/or treaty rights of your community and would like to confirm this with you.

REA Reports Summary

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Request for Information

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Closing

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McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project

P.O. Box 73, Little Current ON, P0P 1K0

May 11th, 2010

Chief Arthur Petahtegoose
Whitefish Lake First Nation
25 Reserve Road
P.O. Box 39
Naughton, ON
P0M 2M0

Dear Chief and Council;

**Re: Northland Power Inc., McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project
Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Final Application Submission**

On April 15th, 2010 the Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) provided Northland Power Inc. (NPI) with a letter indicating that the Whitefish Lake First Nation should be notified of the proposed McLean's Mountain Wind Farm project.

Accordingly this letter is being sent to your community to advise that NPI proposes to develop the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm, located south of the community of Little Current, in the Municipality of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands; geographic Township of Howland, and the geographic Township of Bidwell in the District of Manitoulin, Ontario.

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The following addresses the above noted REA requirements:

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May 11th, 2010

The Union of Ontario Indians

Head Office
Nipissing First Nation
P.O. Box 711
North Bay, ON
P1B 8J8

Dear Sir/Madam;

**Re: Northland Power Inc., McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project
Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Final Application Submission**

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May 11th, 2010

Richard Sarrazin, President
Sudbury Métis Council
260 Alder Street, Upstairs
Sudbury, ON P3C 5P4

Dear Sir,

**Re: Northland Power Inc., McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project
Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Final Application Submission**

On April 15th, 2010 the Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) provided Northland Power Inc. (NPI) with a letter indicating that the Sudbury Métis Council should be notified of the proposed McLean's Mountain Wind Farm project.

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McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project

P.O. Box 73, Little Current ON, P0P 1K0

May 11th, 2010

Sheshegwaning First Nation
General Delivery
Sheshegwaning, Ontario
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Dear Chief and Council,

**Re: Northland Power Inc., McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project
Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Final Application Submission**

In June 2009 Northland Power Inc. (NPI) sent a letter to your community informing of the proposed McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project restart. The proposed project has been in its planning stages since 2004. NPI would like to follow up with the Sheshegwaning First Nation regarding the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project and NPI's communications with your community.

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May 11th, 2010

Serpent River First Nation

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Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Final Application Submission**

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May 11th, 2010

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May 11th, 2010

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This is to also notify you that NPI intends to submit the Final REA Application to the MOE in early May 2010. The Final REA Application will be submitted to the Director of the Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch (EAAB) at the MOE. Once the application is reviewed and deemed complete by the MOE, the MOE will post an abstract of the project on the Registry for a minimum 30-day public comment period.

The following addresses the above noted REA requirements:

Project Description

The Project Description Report for this project will be available as part of the Final REA Application Submission.

Information Regarding any Adverse Impacts on Aboriginal or Treaty Rights

NPI is unaware of any Métis communities in the project area and as such NPI has no specific information in regards to potential adverse effects that the project could have on the constitutional and/or treaty rights of your communities and would like to confirm this with you.

REA Reports Summary

NPI is obligated to provide the required documentation to support its REA application. NPI intends to rely on the Environmental Study Report that was released in July 2009 to fulfill, at least partially, the necessary documentation. Based on the REA regulations, information with respect to the following is to be released as part of the Final REA Application Submission:

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- **Wind Turbine Specification Report** – A technical description of the intended wind turbines to be used.

Request for Information

NPI is making a written request to your organization for information that should be considered in the planning of this project, in particular, any information that your organization may have regarding potential adverse impacts of the project on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and recommendations for measures to mitigate these adverse impacts.

Closing

NPI is pleased to continue its communications with Aboriginal communities with respect to this project and considers consultation with Aboriginal communities to be a valuable component of the REA process. Accordingly, we would like to better understand your interest in this project. NPI would be pleased to meet with you and representatives from your organization to discuss the proposed project and to learn about your organization's interests and potential concerns. We intend to again follow-up with a phone call to you, but please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

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Yours truly,



Rick Martin
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May 11th, 2010

Chiefs of Ontario

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Dear Sir/Madam;

**Re: Northland Power Inc., McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project
Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Final Application Submission**

In July 2009 Northland Power Inc. (NPI) sent a Notice of Completion of Environmental Screening Report required under the former *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act* and the requirements of Regulation 116/01 (Electricity Projects). The proposed project has been in its planning stages since 2004. NPI would like to follow up with your organization regarding the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project and NPI's communications with your community.

On April 15th, 2010 the Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) provided Northland Power Inc. (NPI) with a letter indicating that the Chiefs of Ontario should be notified of the proposed McLean's Mountain Wind Farm project. Accordingly, this letter is being sent to your organization as a reminder that NPI proposes to develop the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm, located south of the community of Little Current, in the Municipality of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands; geographic Township of Howland, and the geographic Township of Bidwell in the District of Manitoulin, Ontario. The proposed wind farm is expected to consist of forty (40) wind turbines that will generate about seventy-two (72) megawatts (MW) of electricity. It is NPI's intention to obtain a contract for the sale of electricity with the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) through the Province's Feed-in-Tariff (FIT) program.

The proposed project will require approval under Ontario Regulation 359/09 – Renewable Energy Approval (REA) under the *Green Energy Act*. The REA process replaces the previous process that required several separate approvals including for example, the *Environmental Assessment Act*, *Planning Act* and *Environmental Protection Act*. As specified in the REA regulations (Section 17), a project proponent is required to:

- Notify Aboriginal communities of the proponent's intent to develop the project (accomplished through this letter);
- Submit a Project Description;
- Ask for information regarding any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights that the community may have;
- Provide a summary of each of the "REA Reports" that are to be released; and

- Make a written request that the aboriginal community provide in writing any information available to the community that in its opinion, should be considered in preparing the “REA Reports” and in particular, any information the community may have about the adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts.

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There are no First Nation communities in the project area. The Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation reserve is located on the northern edge of the project area on the North Channel and Highway 540, five (5) kilometers west of Little Current. There are no turbines or project components proposed within the reserve lands of this First Nation.

The closest First Nation communities to the project area include:

- Sheguiandah First Nation located approximately 3.5 km from the boundary of the project area;
- M'Chigeeng First Nation located approximately 6.5 km from the boundary of the project area; and
- Wikwemikong First Nation located approximately 30 km from the boundary of the project area.

Since 2004, NPI has had correspondence/discussions with the above noted First Nation communities (as well as others) and more recently with the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (UCCM) and the Métis Nation of Ontario. NPI has stated, on a number of occasions, it's willingness to meet with the above noted community representatives to discuss the Project and to receive any comments or questions.

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Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Martin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rick" and last name "Martin" clearly distinguishable.

Rick Martin
Project Manager
McLean's Mountain Wind Farm



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May 6, 2010

John Brace and Rick Martin
Northland Power
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Dear Mr. Brace and Mr. Martin:

Re: McLean's Mountain Windfarm Project – Meeting with Whitefish River First Nation Chief and Council

Further to Mr. Rick Martin's letter to me of April 16 in response to my April 15 letter, I had hoped to respond earlier but have been very busy with other matters also of significant concern to Whitefish River First Nation.

Mr. Martin said in his letter that *"As you note, we have been unsuccessful in securing your consent to a meeting"*. I must respond that the suggestion that the First Nation has been resisting meeting with Northland Power is not true. On March 8, after explaining to Mr. Martin in an email that our First Nation had not been consulted about our treaty rights and our rights, I invited him to ask to be placed on our Council agenda. Specifically, I said *"You may try to ask to be on our council agenda, I think we are pretty open to that. Please in future write formally to our council for any request your company may have."* Furthermore, my April 15 letter did not say anything at all about unwillingness to meet. Rather, it set out concerns about the effects of this wind power project, presented in my role as Chief of Whitefish River First Nation, and I requested a full response to the letter. The letter contained two sets of concerns – protecting the health of families, and addressing consultation and accommodation with respect to treaty and aboriginal rights.

I note that the April 16 response requested a meeting date with Council at which we could outline "the necessary steps to a respectful and proper consultation and accommodation process." This meeting request is the first such request to meet with Council. It is unfortunate that Northland Power did not make such a request to meet until now. As you may or may not be aware, as Chief, I field many, many email requests and phone calls each day. It is normal procedure for companies wishing to meet with Council to put such requests in writing to the Council, so that efforts can get underway to find a spot on our Council agenda.

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Our Council meets regularly once per month and we always have a very full agenda, especially so in the coming months. Quite frankly, at this point in time, I have checked the agenda and our first open spot on the agenda that would provide a sufficient period of time to meet with Northland Power about this project to have a full discussion about your project's effects would be in October, though I am not clear how that potential timing fits into your company's timing.

At any rate, before a meeting with Council, Council needs to be as informed as possible about Northland Power's response to the matters raised in my letter. My April 15 letter asked for a full response to the letter. It contained two sets of concerns, the first of which concerns is about treaty and aboriginal rights and effects of your project on those asserted rights. My Council needs to know what work your company has done to make a preliminary determination on how your project affects these rights and asserted rights, and your proposed accommodations given your determinations. I also need to make it clear, again, however, that your company does not have the duty to consult and accommodate; the Crown does. The "necessary steps to a respectful and proper consultation and accommodation process" that Mr. Martin's letter refers to will need to include a discussion of the Crown's role in the process, which is unclear to our First Nation at this point.

Northland Power has said in a number of forums that your company has been given the duty to consult and accommodate by ON, and although the duty lies with the Crown, if the Crown has delegated some of its duty to your company, then that delegation should be clearly explained, including the scope of what has been delegated. I look forward to hearing from you about the scope of the duty to consult and accommodate that ON has delegated to Northland Power.

The second set of concerns in my letter related to health effects, and raises many different issues related to these effects. Our Council also looks forward to receiving from your company in writing its response to the issues raised in my letter about these effects.

Yours truly,

Whitefish River First Nation



Chief Shining Turtle, Sturgeon Clan, Ojibway Nation



CC: UCCM Chiefs and Councils of Manidoo Mniiss
Hon. Chris Bentley, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs
Hon. John Gerretsen, Minister of Environment
Deborah Richardson, ADM, Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs

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Chief Shining Turtle
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Friday, April 16, 2010

Dear Chief Shining Turtle:

I am in receipt of your letter dated April 15, sent to the Northland Power McLean Mountain Wind Farm Project Office in Little Current, to my attention.

We would be pleased to address your stated issues in a respectful manner.

We believe that a meeting would be the correct first step. As you note, we have been unsuccessful in securing your consent to a meeting. We hope this correspondence is an invitation for a first meeting and the beginning of your instruction to us on how to meet the duty to consult and accommodate Whitefish First Nation to your satisfaction.

John Brace, the CEO of Northland Power, met and spoke with you at the Public Information Centre on March 22. At that time you indicated it was a sad day that First Nations had to oppose the Northland project due to the provincial government's outstanding commitments related to the 1990 Agreement. Northland made undertakings to you and Chief Joe Hare at that time that have been acted upon. John Brace will make himself available to meet with you and members of your Council.

Please respond, at your earliest convenience, with a meeting date and we trust at that meeting you could outline the necessary steps to a respectful and proper consultation and accommodation process.

Respectfully yours,

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Thursday, April 15, 2010

Dear Chiefs of the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin:
Hazel Recollet, CEO of the UCCM

Chief Craig Abotossaway, AUNDECK-OMNI-KANING First Nation
Chief Joe Hare, M'CHIGEENG First Nation
Chief Orville Aguonie, SHEGUIANDAH First Nation
Chief Joseph Endanawas, SHESHEGWANING First Nation
Chief Shining Turtle, WHITEFISH RIVER First Nation
Chief Irene Sagon-Kells, ZHIIBAAHAASING First Nation

I am writing to you for three purposes. One is to follow up on my earlier correspondence sent April 7, 2010. The second is to advise you that Northland Power has had a constructive meeting and positive discussion with WIKWEMIKONG First Nation about supporting them with grid connection issues that would enable their wind project to proceed. Lastly, is to seek an indication of your interest in sitting down with Northland Power to discuss your collective interests in developing wind, water and solar power projects, your preferred locations and the obstacles to advancing these interests.

You will have seen the Ontario Power Authority's (OPA) recent announcement on renewable energy projects. The McLean Mountain Wind Farm was among them. So was the Kabinakagami hydro project (26 MW) which Northland is developing in association with the Constance Lake First Nation in Calstock.

Like the Chippewas of Georgina Island, I believe the Constance Lake First Nation is proud to be among the initial group of First Nation projects approved under the new Green Energy Act permitting renewable green energy generation to be added to their heritage of environmental responsibility.

We are willing to fund the initial study required for any UCCM energy projects and would like to explore the possibility of working with you on their development.

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We have met with senior Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs personal and impressed on them the need to contact the UCCM and to resolve outstanding issues.

We have heard back from the Minister's office that the provincial government is working to address the outstanding matters related to successful completion of the 1990 Agreement and that the Minister's Chief of Staff did follow up with Chief Shining Turtle on this matter. We will continue to push for a satisfactory resolution.

We recognize the First Nations of Manitoulin want to participate fully in economic ventures of this kind and to have the skills and trades to do so. I respectfully submit to you that we would be proud to work with you to develop your own long-term interests gained from starting such a discussion with us at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,



John Brace
CEO



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April 15, 2010

Northland Power
Little Current Branch Office
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Dear Mr. Martin,

Re: Adverse Health Effects and Industrial Wind Turbines, Treaty Rights and Aboriginal Rights

The purpose of this letter is to let you know only several of my concerns that the McLean's Mountain Windfarm Project project has not adequately identified the risks of adverse health effects associated with industrial wind turbines, First Nation Consultation and Accommodation, Treaty Rights and Aboriginal Rights to our Mnidoo Mniss.

I would request that this project can't proceed until such works as, protecting the health of families, ensuring Full First Nation Consultation and more importantly Accommodation be addressed by the Crown and Northland Power, Treaty Rights and Aboriginal Rights with respect to the Treaty of 1836, 1850, 1862 and 1990.

Manitoulin Island has significant Treaty issues that other parts of Ontario do not have and they must be addressed in a respectful way. Significant Landmark decisions on the duty to Consult and Accommodate have been delivered by the Supreme Court of Canada and can't be exempt from this project in the interest of time. How has Northland Power implemented the following decisions of the Supreme Court; R vs. Sparrow, and Mikisew Cree, with Respect to Whitefish River First Nation as a signatory to 1836, 1850 and 1862 Treaties? How has Northland begun to discuss these issues with Whitefish River First Nation? I am not aware of any meetings that Northland has had with Whitefish River on this Project. Please indicate the number of meetings Northland Power has had with the community of Whitefish River on these matters?

Having regard for the clear line of Supreme Court jurisprudence, from Sparrow to Mikisew, where constitutional protected Aboriginal Rights are asserted, private parties interests should only be granted if every effort has been made by the parties to engage in consultation, negotiation, accommodation and reconciliation among the competing rights and interests surrounding the project.

As a reconciliatory action, consultation requires taking into account the perspectives and concerns of Aboriginal People, and demonstrating how they have been taken into account. Can you provide Northland's process for demonstrating this accountability to the Signatories of the Treaties of 1836, 1850 and 1862?

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Projects in Ontario and other parts of Canada are proceeding at a fast rate. Knowledge and scientific information has progressed significantly over the last several months and this should be considered before moving ahead

A number of health professionals have raised concerns regarding the lack of adequate health studies on humans to determine safe setbacks and noise levels to address the health concerns which are being identified in Ontario and globally.

For information, attached is a correspondence from Health Canada, Safe Environments Program dated August 6, 2009 which states that ... "there are peer reviewed scientific articles indicating that wind turbines may have an adverse impact on human health."

The adverse health effects of annoyance, stress and sleep disturbance as well as physical and psychological effects have been acknowledged by the American/Canadian Wind Energy Association sponsored "Wind Turbine Sound and Health Effects, An Expert Panel Review, December 2009". In lay language, annoyance may sound trivial to some; however in clinical terms, annoyance is recognized by the World Health Association as an adverse health effect.

An analysis of this report prepared by The Society for Wind Vigilance is available. Please consult The Society's web site for additional information on this topic.
www.windvigilance.com

Preliminary findings of a controlled study (Mars Hill, Maine) being conducted by Dr. Nissenbaum to investigate potential negative health effects concludes that adults living within 1100 meters of industrial wind turbines suffer high incidences of chronic sleep disturbances and headaches, among other somatic complaints, and high incidences of dysphonic psychiatric symptomatology, compared to a control group living 5000-6000 meters away. Preliminary findings are available at
http://windvigilance.com/mars_hill.aspx

The United Kingdom National Health Service analysis of the American and Canadian Wind Energy Panel review will be of interest as well:
<http://www.nhs.uk/news/2010/01January/Pages/Wind-turbine-sound-and-health.aspx>

The National Health Service editorial policy can be obtained:
<http://www.nhs.uk/aboutNHSCchoices/aboutnhschoices/Aboutus/Pages/Editorialpolicy.aspx>

In November 2009 Japan is reported to have announced a four year health study on the adverse effects of wind turbine focussing on low frequency noise.

The Yomiuri Shimbun, Govt to Study Effects of Wind Farms on Health, November 29, 2009, <http://www.wind-watch.org/news/2009/11/28/government-to-study-effects-of-wind-farms-on-health/>

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In France, a 2009 court decision mandated that a local wind turbine facility shut down operations at night in order to prevent the sleep disturbance that the local population had been enduring.

France news report, December 7 2009, http://www.ouest-france.fr/actu/actuLocale_-La-justice-demande-l-arret-nocturne-des-huit-eoliennes-de-Cast_-1183050-----29103-abd_actu.Htm

There is sufficient information about the risks to health if industrial wind turbines are placed too close to family homes. To deny the adverse health effects is indefensible.

It is evident the conduct of independent 3rd party health studies on humans to determine safe setbacks and noise levels must be done before proceeding with any more projects. To date, neither the wind energy industry nor the government of want to conduct these types of studies.

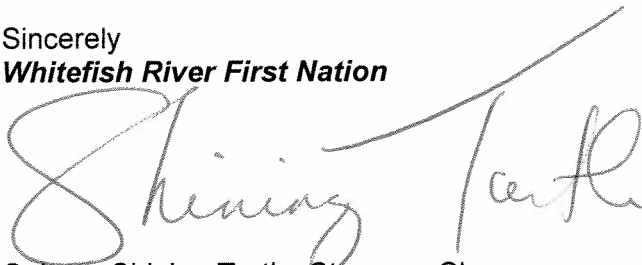
Again, thank you for this opportunity to convey my very preliminary concerns at this time.

We look forward to your full response to this letter.

This letter does not constitute any process for consultation and accommodation for with respect to Whitefish River First Nation

Sincerely

Whitefish River First Nation



Ogimaa Shining Turtle, Sturgeon Clan



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Attached: appendix with references

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Appendix with references:

ANNOYANCE

“Annoyance was further associated with lowered sleep quality and negative emotions. This, together with reduced restoration possibilities may adversely affect health.”¹

In an American Wind Energy Association and Canadian Wind Energy Association sponsored report it is acknowledged that wind turbine noise may cause annoyance, stress and sleep disturbance.²

One of the authors of the report W. David Colby, M.D. reinforced this position regarding wind turbines by stating

“We’re not denying that there are people annoyed and that maybe some of them are getting stressed out enough about being annoyed that they’re getting sick.”³

Another author of the report Geoff Leventhall acknowledges possible symptoms of noise annoyance include insomnia, headache, pressure in the ears or head, dizziness, nausea, eye strain, fatigue, distraction, nose bleeds, feeling vibration, muscle spasms, palpitations, skin burning, stress, and tension.⁴

The word annoyance may mean many things to many people however in clinical terms annoyance is considered a risk to human health.

Health Canada states

“The most common effect of community noise is annoyance, which is considered an adverse health effect by the World Health Organization.”⁵

Furthermore World Health Organizations states specifically about noise induced annoyance

“The range of health effects of noise is wide. They include pain and hearing fatigue, hearing impairment including tinnitus, annoyance...”⁶

“Sleep disturbance and annoyance are the first effects of night noise and can lead to mental disorders. The effects of noise can even trigger premature illness and death.”⁷

“There is sufficient and reliable data to derive exposure-response relationships between noise and annoyance. Exposure-response curves exist for road, aircraft and railway noise and exposure to multiple sources.”⁸

One of three peer reviewed studies that have documented high annoyance in exposure-responses to wind turbine noise concludes

“...wind turbine sound is relatively annoying; more so than equally loud sound from aircraft or road traffic... Sound should therefore receive more attention in

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the planning of wind farms, and (more) sound mitigation measures must be considered⁹

The cause of the high annoyance is explained in that

“Sound generated by wind turbines has particular characteristics and it creates a different type of nuisance compared to usual urban, industrial, or commercial noise. The interaction of the blades with air turbulences around the towers creates low frequency and infrasound components, which modulate the broadband noise and create fluctuations of sound level. The lower frequency fluctuation of the noise is described as ‘swishing’ or ‘whooshing’ sound, creating an additional disturbance due to the periodic and rhythmic characteristic.”¹⁰

The wind industry is less clear on this issue. On one hand the wind industry believes that

“There is nothing unique about the sounds and vibrations emitted by wind turbines.”¹¹

At the same time they acknowledge

“A major cause of concern about wind turbine sound is its fluctuating nature. Some may find this sound annoying, a reaction that depends primarily on personal characteristics as opposed to the intensity of the sound level.”¹²

“The low frequency sound emitted by spinning wind turbines could possibly be annoying to some...”¹³

It must be remembered that peer reviewed studies have repetitively demonstrated that wind turbine noise is associated with high annoyance levels.

Annoyance levels may also be increased by the visual impacts of wind turbine including shadow flicker (casting of moving shadows on the ground as wind turbine blades rotate).^{14, 15, 16}

LOW FREQUENCY NOISE

*“Health effects due to low-frequency components in noise are estimated to be more severe than for community noises in general” - World Health Organization*¹⁷

Wind turbines generate a broad spectrum of noise including low frequency noise (LFN).¹⁸

An American and Canadian Wind Energy Association sponsored report (A/CanWEA Panel Review)denies adverse health effects from wind turbines but do acknowledge that LFN emitted by spinning wind turbines could possibly be annoying to some.¹⁹

This position appears to understate the potential adverse effects of LFN induced annoyance.

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Geoff Leventhall one of the authors of the A/CanWEA Panel Review acknowledges the serious nature of low frequency noise induced annoyance by asserting

“The claim that their "lives have been ruined" by the noise is not an exaggeration...”²⁰

A more comprehensive discussion of annoyance resulting from LFN states:

“Research conducted by Lindberg and Backteman (1988) found that LFN contributes to annoyance responses by

- creating a sensation of pressure in the ear,
- Periodically masking effects on medium to high frequency sound with a strong modulation effect that can disturb normal conversation, and
- By creating secondary vibrating effects typically experienced within homes.

In addition, Berglund and Lindvall (1995) documented a number of potential behavioural dysfunctions associated with LFN, such as

- Task performance deterioration,
- reduced wakefulness, and
- sleep disturbance, headaches, and irritation

It has also been learnt that LFN does not need to be considered “loud” for it to cause such forms of annoyance and irritation... In fact, LFN is found to be more difficult to ignore than higher frequency noise, and sufferers describe it as

- Omnipresent,
- Impossible to ignore,
- Worse indoors (due to the effects of vibration),
- Impossible to locate, and
- Difficult to tune out.

Unlike higher frequency noise issues, LFN is very difficult to suppress. Closing doors and windows in an attempt to diminish the effects sometimes makes it worse because of the propagation characteristics and the low-pass filtering effect of structures.

Individuals often become irrational and anxious as attempts to control LFN fail, serving only to increase the individual’s awareness of the noise, accelerating the above symptoms.”²¹

Authoritative health organizations acknowledge that LFN noise is a potential health risk to humans.^{22, 23}

The logical mitigation technique would be to increase wind turbine setbacks as LFN

“Components may travel further than the higher frequency components. Since low-frequency noise is particularly annoying to most people, it is important to specify limits for low frequency noise.”²⁴

Further study of the effects of wind turbine LFN is required to assist in the development specific guidelines to mitigate the potential health risks.^{25, 26, 27, 28}

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In November 2009 Japan is reported to have announced a four year health study on the adverse effects of wind turbine LFN.²⁹

MENTAL HEALTH

“WHO is making a simple statement: mental health- neglected for far too long - is crucial to the overall well-being of individuals, societies and countries and must be universally regarded in a new light.” - World Health Organization³⁰

Clinicians and other researchers have documented both physiological and psychological symptoms reported by victims experiencing adverse health effects from wind turbines.^{31, 32, 33, 34} Many families have abandoned their homes to protect their health. This cannot be denied.

The reported psychological symptoms include decreased quality of life, stress, anxiety, depression, cognitive dysfunction, anger, grief, and a sense of injustice.

World Health Organization acknowledges individuals suffering adverse psychological symptoms are often victimized from a lack of understanding.³⁵ Often the stigma, discrimination and human rights violations that affected individuals and families endure are intense and pervasive.³⁶

An American and Canadian Wind Energy Association sponsored report (A/CanWEA Panel Review) does not appear to dispute that there are victims experiencing adverse physiological symptoms. Without having studied these victims the A/CanWEA Panel Review speculates that the reported symptoms may be the result of psychological responses to wind turbines.³⁷

A presentation attributed to one of the authors of the A/CanWEA Panel Review reinforces this position by stating the reported physiological

“Symptoms (**are the**) same as those of noise annoyance. Psychological, not physiological”³⁸

This simplistic view is not shared by World Health Organization who acknowledges

“...health includes mental, physical and social functioning, which are closely associated and interdependent.”³⁹

“In an integrated and evidence-based model of health, mental health (including emotions and thought patterns) emerges as a key determinant of overall health. Anxious and depressed moods, for example, initiate a cascade of adverse changes in endocrine and immune functioning, and create increased susceptibility to a range of physical illnesses.”⁴⁰

“Today we know that most illnesses, mental and physical, are influenced by a combination of biological, psychological and social factors.”⁴¹

When people are suffering avoidable adverse health effects the distinction between physiological and psychological is of little consequence. Both are of equal importance.

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Health Canada further explains that

“Mental health is as important as physical health. In fact, the two are intertwined. Our mental health directly affects our physical health and vice versa... mental health factors can increase the risk of developing physical problems such as, diabetes, heart disease, weight gain or loss, gastrointestinal problems, reductions in immune system, efficiency, and blood biochemical imbalances.”⁴²

The adverse psychological effects being reported by victims do not indicate a sign of weakness and victims should not feel ashamed.

“All too often, people mistake these disorders for mental weakness or instability. The social stigma attached to mental illness often prevents those with anxiety disorders from asking for help.”⁴³

Many jurisdictions including Canada have provisions to protect the individual from inflicted psychological harm.⁴⁴

World Health Organization considers prevention and treatment of psychological ill-health a human rights issue.^{45, 46, 47}

It appears that The Society for Wind Vigilance and The Canadian and American Wind Energy Associations acknowledge that there are victims experiencing both physiological and psychological symptoms as a result of wind turbines.

In spite of this acknowledgement the A/CanWEA Panel Review does not offer evidence based strategies to protect individuals from these adverse health effects. The report concludes by stating that the authors do not “advocate for funding further studies”.⁴⁸

World Health Organization asserts it is possible to prevent the risk of psychological ill-health by employing prevention policies based on systematic assessments of public mental health needs.⁴⁹ Suggested prevention strategies include the removal of stressors such as through the “reduction of noise”.⁵⁰

STRESS

*“Even seemingly clean sources of energy can have implications on human health. Wind energy will undoubtedly create noise, which increases stress, which in turn increases the risk of cardiovascular disease and cancer.”*⁵¹

In an American Wind Energy Association and Canadian Wind Energy Association sponsored report it is acknowledged that wind turbine noise may cause annoyance, stress and sleep disturbance.⁵²

One of the authors of the report Dr David Colby, M.D. reinforced this position regarding wind turbines by stating

“We’re not denying that there are people annoyed and that maybe some of them are getting stressed out enough about being annoyed that they’re getting sick.”⁵³

Stress is a serious risk to human health.

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Health Canada states that

“...stress is considered to be a risk factor in a great many diseases, including: heart disease, some types of bowel disease, herpes, and mental illness.

Stress also makes it hard for people with diabetes to control their blood sugar.

Stress is also a risk factor in alcohol and substance abuse, as well as weight loss and gain. Stress has even been identified as a possible risk factor in Alzheimer's Disease.

Severe stress can cause biochemical changes in the body, affecting the immune system, leaving your body vulnerable to disease.”⁵⁴

Other health effects associated with stress include becoming increasingly distressed, and irritable, unable to relax or concentrate, have difficulty thinking logically, and making decisions, depression, anxiety, sleep disorders, disorders of the digestive system, increases in blood pressure, headaches and musculo-skeletal disorders.^{55 56}

Prevention includes the ability to resolve one's stress problem. Unfortunately in the case of stress from wind turbine noise and visual impacts (shadow flicker) there is little one can do. The person suffering usually has no control over the level of or the timing of these intrusions.

SHADOW FLICKER

*“...wind-energy projects create negative impacts on human health and well-being, the impacts are experienced mainly by people living near wind turbines who are affected by noise and shadow flicker.”*⁵⁷

According to the World Health Organization wind turbines have noise and visual burdens.⁵⁸

Rotating wind turbine blades interrupt the sunlight producing unavoidable flicker bright enough to pass through closed eyelids, and moving shadows cast by the blades on windows can affect illumination inside buildings.⁵⁹ This effect is commonly known as shadow flicker.

People may be adversely affected from wind turbine shadow flicker both inside and outside of buildings.^{60 61}

Wind turbine shadow flicker has the potential to induce photosensitive epilepsy seizures however the risk is low with large modern models and if proper planning is adhered to.^{62 63} Planning should ensure the flash frequency does not exceed three per second, and the shadows cast by one turbine on another should not have a cumulative flash rate exceeding three per second.⁶⁴

Shadow flicker has been reported to cause annoyance in many locations.^{65 66}

World Health Organization acknowledges annoyance is an adverse health effect.⁶⁷

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An American Wind Energy Association and Canadian Wind Energy Association sponsored report fails to discuss annoyance caused by wind turbine shadow flicker⁶⁸ however one of the authors of the report W. David Colby, M.D. describes the risks of annoyance and stress caused by wind turbines by stating

“We’re not denying that there are people annoyed and that maybe some of them are getting stressed out enough about being annoyed that they’re getting sick.”⁶⁹

To mitigate risk to human health wind turbines should be sited to ensure people will not be adversely affected. For example in the northern hemisphere people located East-NE or WNW from the turbine must be protected from shadow flicker.⁷⁰

Recommended shadow flicker setbacks for current wind turbine designs are 10 rotational diameters which would typically translate to approximately a kilometre.⁷¹

Greater setback distances may be required when wind turbines are sited on elevated ridges as the shadows can be cast over distances of several kilometres.

Wind turbine noise including low frequency noise may also contribute to the overall annoyance.⁷²

A European study concludes

“Wind turbine noise is easily perceived and annoying even at low A-weighted SPLs... Wind turbines are furthermore prominent objects whose rotational movement attracts the eye. Multimodal sensory effects or negative aesthetic response could enhance the risk of annoyance. Adverse reactions could possibly lead to stress-related symptoms due to prolonged physiological arousal and hindrance to psychophysiological restoration.”⁷³

Most jurisdictions do not have explicit regulations to protect people from the adverse health effects of shadow flicker.⁷⁴

Further investigation into the effects of wind turbine stressors including shadow flicker is required to assist in the development authoritative guidelines designed mitigate potential adverse health effects.^{75, 76, 77}

NOISE

*“Just like air pollution and toxic chemicals, noise is an environmental hazard to health.” - World Health Organization*⁷⁸

The Canadian Wind Energy Association claims that modern wind turbines are not noisy.⁷⁹ They also assure the public that “it’s possible to carry on a normal conversation at the base” of a wind turbine and at 300 meters the sound is like a “whispering voice.”⁸⁰

In light of this information one may ask why are people reporting suffering from adverse health effects and why have families abandoned their homes?

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The answer is wind turbines are noisy. A single modern wind turbine emits approximately 105 dBA of industrial noise pollution.⁸¹ To put 105 dBA in perspective, this is between the sound power level of a pneumatic hammer drill and a rock band.⁸² Additional wind turbines in the neighbourhood combine to increase the noise level.

Wind turbine noise propagation is complex. A person standing under a wind turbine may experience much less noise than someone else living in a home hundreds of meters away from the base of the wind turbine.

In their best practices The Canadian Wind Energy Association acknowledges that noise complaints are not uncommon when wind turbines are placed close to homes.⁸³

Wind turbine noise is not only loud it is also complex.^{84, 85, 86}

“Sound generated by wind turbines has particular characteristics and it creates a different type of nuisance compared to usual urban, industrial, or commercial noise. The interaction of the blades with air turbulences around the towers creates low frequency and infrasound components, which modulate the broadband noise and create fluctuations of sound level. The lower frequency fluctuation of the noise is described as ‘swishing’ or ‘whooshing’ sound, creating an additional disturbance due to the periodic and rhythmic characteristic.”⁸⁷

Members of the health care community recognize that of these noise characteristics may have a particularly pronounced effect on people exposed to them.^{88, 89}

The American and Canadian Wind Energy Associations appear to disagree and are of the opinion that wind turbine noise is not unique.⁹⁰

In September 2009 the Maine Medical Association passed a resolution that calls for research and development of wind turbine noise guidelines to protect human health.⁹¹

Many who have studied the issue of wind turbine noise advocate for wind turbine specific noise regulations designed to protect the public from the potential adverse effects.^{92, 93, 94} Health based wind turbine noise limits would likely prescribe lower noise limits than those of other sources of noise.

In some jurisdictions such as Ontario the exact opposite has occurred where the wind energy industry has been granted the ability to subject family homes to higher levels of noise pollution than other industries.⁹⁵ Higher noise levels benefit the economic interests of the wind industry as noise levels affect the spacing of wind turbines and ultimately the cost of electricity produced.⁹⁶

Currently there is no authoritative international guideline for wind turbine noise designed to protect human health. Wind turbine noise regulations vary by jurisdiction.

A family home in Ontario, Canada could be subjected to 53 dBA while families in British Columbia, Canada or South Australia would be limited to 40dBA and 35 dBA respectively.⁹⁷

These differences are significant as a 10 dBA increase is subjectively heard as an approximate doubling in loudness.⁹⁸

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The American and Canadian Wind Energy Associations do not appear to support the development of authoritative wind turbine noise guidelines designed to protect human health. On the contrary they are of the opinion that the authoritative noise guidelines of the World Health Organization need not be adhered to.⁹⁹

SLEEP DISTURBANCE

*"Sleep is an essential part of healthy life and is recognized as a fundamental right under the European Convention on Human Rights (European Court of Human Rights, 2003)."*¹⁰⁰

In an American Wind Energy Association and Canadian Wind Energy Association sponsored report it is acknowledged that wind turbine noise may cause annoyance, stress and sleep disturbance.¹⁰¹

One of the authors of the report W. David Colby, M.D. reinforced this position regarding wind turbines by stating

"We're not denying that there are people annoyed and that maybe some of them are getting stressed out enough about being annoyed that they're getting sick."¹⁰²

The notion that wind turbines may cause sleep disturbance is no surprise to the clinicians and other researchers who have documented the reported adverse health effects of victims exposed to wind turbines. Sleep disturbance is consistently the number one health complaint.^{103, 104, 105, 106}

Peer reviewed studies of European wind turbine facilities documented high annoyance and sleep disturbance in populations exposed to wind turbines.^{107, 108, 109}

A 2009 court decision mandated that a wind turbine facility in France shut down operations at night in order to prevent the sleep disturbance that the local population had been enduring.¹¹⁰

World Health Organization lists sleep disturbance an adverse health effect and considers it to be a significant risk to human health.

"Recent research clearly links exposure to night noise with harm to health. Noise can aggravate serious health problems, beyond damage to hearing, particularly through its effects on sleep and the relations between sleep and health. When people are asleep, their ears, brains and bodies continue to react to sounds. Sleep disturbance and annoyance are the first effects of night noise and can lead to mental disorders. The effects of noise can even trigger premature illness and death."¹¹¹

In 2009 World Health Organization released a 184 page peer reviewed summary of research regarding the risks to human health from noise induced sleep disturbance. Some of the adverse health effect documented in the report include poor performance at work, fatigue, memory difficulties, concentration problems, motor vehicle accidents, mood disorders (depression, anxiety), alcohol and other substance abuse,

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cardiovascular, respiratory, renal, gastrointestinal, musculoskeletal disorders, obesity, impaired immune system function and a reported increased risk of mortality.¹¹²

Victims of wind turbines are reporting many of these adverse health effects.

After conducting a literature review sleep specialist Dr Christopher Hanning stated in his report

“In my expert opinion, from my knowledge of sleep physiology and a review of the available research, I have no doubt that wind turbine noise emissions cause sleep disturbance and ill health.”¹¹³

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From: Roger Peltier [roger_peltier@yahoo.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, April 07, 2010 1:36 PM
To: RickMartin
Cc: Rolland Pangowish
Subject: Re: Manitoulin

Hello Rick:

I understand that tomorrow there will be some important announcements made. Since the OPA recommended delaying a meeting for a couple of weeks, we will have to postpone our meeting with the OPA/HONI/IESO, Northland Power and Wikwemikong.

We would like to invite representatives of Northland Power to a Wikwemikong Chief and Council meeting. We would like to formally establish and consultation and accommodation agreement with Northland Power with respect to the Mcleans mountain wind project. Rolland Pangowish, Land Claims Negotiator will be assisting with this matter.

As we have discussed before, we hope that this can be a process that marks a good example of industry, First nations and Gov't working together. We would like to focus on the socio-economic impacts and come to an arrangement cooperatively to address short term issues (grid capacity) and long term opportunities as well.

Our next Council meeting is April 12, they are usually on Monday evenings. Have you heard anything with respect to our requests?

Roger

From: RickMartin <rick.martin@Northlandpower.ca>
To: Roger Peltier <roger_peltier@yahoo.ca>
Sent: Fri, March 19, 2010 10:44:14 AM
Subject: RE: Manitoulin

I think you should respond back and ask for clarification on the point.
I can ask some more questions too on this but I am travelling today..... will do the best I can but keep on them.
Keep plugging along buddy...

Rick Martin

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From: Roger Peltier [roger_peltier@yahoo.ca]
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2010 9:45 AM

To: RickMartin
Subject: Fw: Manitoulin

Hello Rick:

FYI from Hydro One below. We need solutions on the table. So, is this saying that if protection measures are taken, the limit on distribution would be 52 MW? However, we still need the total on the island increased with modifications required. Hydro One should be a lot more proactive here is offering options. \

Roger

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "J.Currie@HydroOne.com" <J.Currie@HydroOne.com>
To: roger_peltier@yahoo.ca
Cc: jim.figueroa@HydroOne.com
Sent: Fri, March 19, 2010 8:33:35 AM
Subject: RE: Manitoulin

Roger,

Please find responses to your questions below.

Capacity at Manitoulin

The current station capacity of 27MW shown on the Hydro One Capacity Allocation List has been shown on Hydro One's website since before July of 2009. The capacity shown on Manitoulin is based on Hydro One's 60% rule which considers 60% of the maximum MVA rating of a **single** transformer and the minimum station load. Being that the transformers are about 44 MVA, the allowable generation would be 26.4 or approximately 27MW of generation at the station. Secondly, it should be noted that the cumulative capacity on Manitoulin TS has always been approximately 27MW. Some of the previous CIA's had special protection arrangements that would force certain Distributed Generators (DG) out of service when a Tx was out-of-service. The result of this special protection system is that the cumulative capacity on Manitoulin TS **appeared** to be approximately 52 MW.

90,000 per MW

It is my interpretation that any FIT project, with the exception of Advance RESOP FIT projects, should be eligible for the \$90,000 per MW in accordance with the new DSC. For further clarification as to what the costs can be shared between the Generator and your Local Distribution Company (LDC) I would suggest that you refer to the Distribution System Code (DSC).

In response to your request to be supplied with the special study done on Manitoulin I don't believe that this can be supplied to you at this time. If you have further questions I would encourage you to attend the Webinar that Hydro One will be holding on March 24. If you need any further information please feel free to contact me.

Best Regards,

J. Brent Currie

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From: Roger Peltier [mailto:roger_peltier@yahoo.ca]

Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2010 10:15 AM

To: CURRIE J.

Subject: OEB - distribution code changes - 90K per MW

Hello Brent:

Thank you for your email earlier this week. I look forward to a response from Hydro One. An additional question that I have is regarding the OEB's recent ruling on distribution line upgrade costs. Specifically, will our project be eligible for the \$90,000 per MW reimbursement. The distribution line will be upgraded from 12.5 KV to 44 KV from the generation site to the Manitowaning DS. Please confirm.

Thanks again,

Roger

Ashby, Beatrice

From: Kirsten Basser [Kirsten.Basser@Northlandpower.ca]
Sent: Thursday, April 01, 2010 10:27 AM
To: Ashby, Beatrice
Subject: FW: March 18th deadline for REA comments
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From: RickMartin
Sent: April 1, 2010 10:06 AM
To: Kirsten Basser
Subject: FW: March 18th deadline for REA comments

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From: Roger Peltier [roger_peltier@yahoo.ca]
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2010 10:53 AM
To: RickMartin
Subject: March 18th deadline for REA comments

Hello Rick:

Thank you for calling me yesterday. I hope that a meeting can be arranged next week to discuss various issues involving the McLean's Mountain project and the Manitoulin transmission capacity situation and possible solutions.

Wiwemikong is preparing a letter to Northland Power in response to your request for comments and our previous discussions. I know that the deadline for submissions is today March 18th. What I am wondering is whether I can provide you with Wiwemikong comments on Monday at the meeting here on Manitoulin Island. Please confirm.

Thanks again,

Roger

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From: Kirsten Basser [Kirsten.Basser@Northlandpower.ca]
Sent: Thursday, April 01, 2010 10:26 AM
To: Ashby, Beatrice
Subject: FW: Wikwemikong Unceded indian Reserve - Consultation and Accomodation

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From: RickMartin
Sent: April 1, 2010 9:53 AM
To: Kirsten Basser
Subject: FW: Wikwemikong Unceded indian Reserve - Consultation and Accomodation

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From: David Cheung Atkinson
Sent: Friday, March 05, 2010 8:20 AM
To: RickMartin
Subject: Re: Wikwemikong Unceded indian Reserve - Consultation and Accomodation

Rick;

Let me know how your meetings have gone yesterday and today and what's planned over the next week. It looks like you have meetings with First Nations to line up. Is the FN consultant new or a part of the Trillium group?

David

----- Original Message -----

From: John Brace
To: Roger Peltier <roger_peltier@yahoo.ca>; Gordon Potts; RickMartin
Cc: David Cheung Atkinson
Sent: Thu Mar 04 12:17:15 2010
Subject: RE: Wikwemikong Unceded indian Reserve - Consultation and Accomodation

Roger,

We would be delighted to meet with Wikwemikong at the earliest opportunity to try to do what you propose below. I will be out of the country for the next week and a half and ask Rick Martin, by copy of this e-mail, to contact you to get the ball rolling. Hopefully material progress will have been made by the time I get back.

Thanks,

John

From: Roger Peltier [mailto:roger_peltier@yahoo.ca]
Sent: March 4, 2010 11:54 AM
To: John Brace; Gordon Potts
Subject: Wikwemikong Unceded indian Reserve - Consultation and Accomodation

Hello Mr Brace:

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Please confirm that your company Northland Power is prepared to undertake a consultation and accomodation agreement with Wikwemikong and work with Wikwemikong to seek a mutually beneficial solution here on Manitoulin Island.

Your corporate leadership will be appreciated,

Yours truly,

Roger

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From: Kirsten Basser [mailto:Kirsten.Basser@Northlandpower.ca]
Sent: Thursday, April 01, 2010 9:14 AM
To: Ashby, Beatrice
Subject: FW: Manitoulin Island Chiefs Position On Northland Power Wind Farm

From: RickMartin
Sent: March 31, 2010 3:34 PM
To: Kirsten Basser
Subject: FW: Manitoulin Island Chiefs Position On Northland Power Wind Farm

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From: Art Jacko [ajacko@uccm.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2010 10:13 AM
To: Brad Duguid; John Gerretsen; Christopher Bentley; RickMartin
Cc: abotossawayc@aokfn.com; Chief Irene Kells; Chief Recollet; joe@sheshegwaning.org; Chief Joe Hare; Chief Orville Aguonie; chief@whitefishriver.ca; Deborah Richardson; Grand Council Chief Madahbee; HRecollet@UCCM.ca; Regional Chief Angus Toulouse; roger_peltier@yahoo.ca; Todd Lewis; Nancy Kleer; kmoSSIP34@yahoo.ca
Subject: Manitoulin Island Chiefs Position On Northland Power Wind Farm

Good Morning

Attached is the letter from ALL Chiefs of Manitoulin Island regarding Northland Power wind farm project

I believe there has been approximately 5 – 7 letters sent to Ontario regarding concerns and issues regarding the proposed wind farm. It is extremely disappointing this is still outstanding and no resolution in site.

We once again wait for a response from Ontario

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From: RickMartin

Sent: March 31, 2010 4:04 PM

To: Kirsten Bassar

Subject: FW: Consultation and Accomodation - Wikwemikong Unceded Re: Mclean's Mountain Wind Project

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From: RickMartin

Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2010 1:59 PM

To: Grant Victoria

Subject: FW: Consultation and Accomodation - Wikwemikong Unceded Re: Mclean's Mountain Wind Project

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From: Roger Peltier [roger_peltier@yahoo.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2010 1:35 PM

To: RickMartin

Cc: chiefrecollet@wiky.net; Rolland Pangowish

Subject: Re: Consultation and Accomodation - Wikwemikong Unceded Re: Mclean's Mountain Wind Project

Hello Rick:

Don't assume anything. Wikwemikong and the First Nations on the island are not opposed to renewable energy. However, there are legitimate concerns with the current scale and impacts of the Mclean's Mountain project. We hope that by working together, we address the issues. It think you would agree that Wikwemikong has been cooperative, however, alot is at stake, and we need to ensure our interests are respected. If Northland Power hopes to be a "good neighbour" for the next 20 - 50 years on the island, it is important to treat the First Nations with due respect.

Any progress from your efforts form outr March 9th meeting?

Roger

From: RickMartin <rick.martin@Northlandpower.ca>

To: Roger Peltier <roger_peltier@yahoo.ca>

Cc: "chiefrecollet@wiky.net" <chiefrecollet@wiky.net>

Sent: Wed, March 17, 2010 1:17:03 PM

Subject: RE: Consultation and Accomodation - Wikwemikong Unceded Re: Mclean's Mountain Wind Project

So am I to assume from this email that Wiki too has joined this BCR in opposition to the McLean project?

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From: Roger Peltier [roger_peltier@yahoo.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2010 12:50 PM

To: RickMartin

Cc: chiefrecollet@wiky.net

Subject: Consultation and Accomodation - Wikwemikong Unceded Re: Mclean's Mountain Wind Project

Hello Rick:

Thank you for meeting with Robert Corbiere and myself on March 9th. You were to arrange a urgent meeting with the Ministry of Energy and the OPA regarding the capacity issues which affect the development of the Northland Power project on Manitoulin as well as the Wikwemikong project.

As you are aware, arrangements had been made that would allow Wikwemikong to connect on the distribution level on feeder M26. However, since that time, it appears that Hydro One has amended capacity from 52 MW to 27MW on the the Island. I have been in contact with Hydro One and expect a reponse this week. We are interested in seeking a solution that would allow Wikwemikong to develop a initial community power project. This is important in order to manintain community support for the larger contemplated project once transmission upgrades to the island are completed.

Wikwemikong met with representatives of the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (UCCM) on March 12th in Whitefish River. A statement from the Anishinabek of Mnido Mnissing will be forwarded to you and the Crown requestng that a consultation framework be established. In addition to health and environmental concerns based on the current project scale and proximity of the Northland project to affected residents, Wikwemikong is concerned with the soci-economic impact to the development of Wikwemikong community power project. We will continue to request that Northland Power cooperate in good faith to address the issues.

Do you have any update from your efforts form our meeting of March 9th?

I look forward to your quick response.

Roger

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From: Roger Peltier [roger_peltier@yahoo.ca]
Sent: Thursday, March 04, 2010 2:28 PM
To: John Brace
Cc: RickMartin; Gordon Potts; mlodjig
Subject: Re: Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve - Consultation and Accomodation

Hello John:

Rick Martin called me earlier this afternoon to confirm a meeting here at Wikwemikong for Monday, March 8th at 1:00 pm. I have contacted the office of Chief Hazel Fox-Recollet to confirm her availability. Since the OPA and Hydro One are reviewing the transmission and distribution capacity at this time in the Manitoulin area, I suggest that a meeting be arranged as soon as possible to clarify the limits and possible solutions to move our respective projects forward.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter. I hope to have productive discussions with Northland, the OPA and Hydro One in the upcoming days.

Yours truly,

Roger

From: John Brace <johnbrace@Northlandpower.ca>
To: Roger Peltier <roger_peltier@yahoo.ca>; Gordon Potts <gordon.potts@Northlandpower.ca>; RickMartin <rick.martin@Northlandpower.ca>
Cc: David Cheung Atkinson <DCA@Northlandpower.ca>

4/30/2010

Sent: Thu, March 4, 2010 12:17:15 PM

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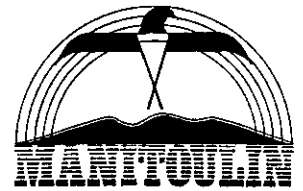
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Yours truly,

Roger

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March 17, 2010

Brad Duguid, Minister
Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure
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**Re: Anishinabek of Mnidoo Mmissing
Position Statement on Proposed Northland Power
Wind Project on McLean's Mountain
March, 2010**

Dear Minister Duguid:

The Anishinabek Chiefs of Mnidoo Mmissing met at Whitefish River First Nation on March 12, 2010 to discuss renewable energy on Mnidoo Mmissing. As a result of the discussions the Anishinabek of Mnidoo Mmissing release the following statement.

The Anishinabek of Mnidoo Mmissing are not opposed to renewable energy development on Manitoulin Island. In fact the Anishinabek of Mnidoo Mmissing sees renewable energy, when developed properly, as the best source for producing energy to meet future needs. Efforts to meet those future needs should also take into account the promotion of energy conservation measures.

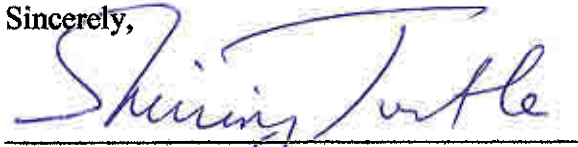
Northland Power Inc. is proposing to develop a 77 MW wind farm on Mnidoo Mmissing at McLean's Mountain. However, the process for reviewing the McLean's Mountain wind farm has not respected the inherent, aboriginal and treaty rights of the Anishinabek of Mnidoo Mmissing. The United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (UCCM) have asked Ontario several times to meet with us, as representatives of Aundeck Omni Kaning and Sheguiandah First Nations, to prepare a Consultation and Accommodation Framework for this wind farm project. The Framework would set out the First Nations' and Ontario's responsibilities, and provide funding to allow the First Nations to give informed input. Ontario has yet to respond.

The wind farm project is proceeding quickly through the Renewal Energy Approvals process under Ontario's Green Energy Act. Ontario is considering approving this project, but has not yet meaningfully consulted the affected First Nations in order to address the effects of this proposed wind farm on the inherent, aboriginal and treaty rights of the Anishinabek of Mnidoo Mmissing.

Anishinabek of Mnidoo Mmissing supports the position of Aundeck Omni Kaning and Sheguiandah First Nations and call on Ontario to establish with the Anishinabek of Mnidoo Mmissing a meaningful Consultation and Accommodation Framework for the McLean's Mountain project. Ontario and the First Nations need to understand how this project will affect our rights, our people's use of land, our economic plans and our health.

Finally the Anishinabek of Mnidoo Missing call on Ontario to meet to discuss all aspects of renewable energy (production / transmission) potential on Mnidoo Missing. We the Chiefs, look forward to hearing from you in the very near future.

Sincerely,



Chief Shining Turtle
Whitefish River First Nation

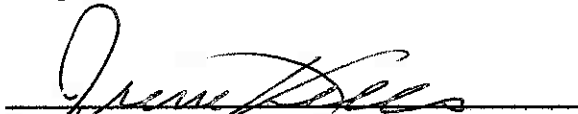


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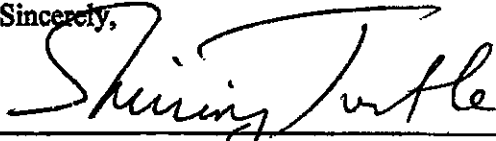
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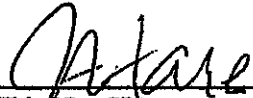
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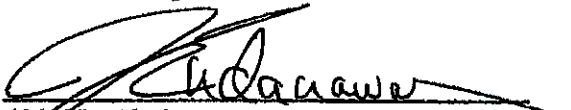
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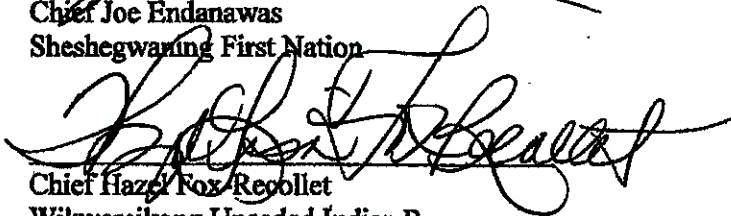


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Cc Minister Gerretsen, Ministry of the Environment
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Mr. Rick Martin, Northland Power Inc. rickmartin@northlandpower.ca

From: Madahbee, Pat [gcc@anishinabek.ca]
Sent: Monday, March 08, 2010 10:43 AM
To: RickMartin
Subject: RE: construction issues and employment

You need to deal with my chief and council

From: RickMartin <rick.martin@Northlandpower.ca>
Sent: March 8, 2010 10:34 AM
To: Madahbee, Pat <gcc@anishinabek.ca>
Subject: RE: construction issues and employment

Pat I'm not suggesting anything more than the fact that we had a sit down chat. I'm trying to remain good on what I said. Is that wrong. Can you please call me I just left you a message.

Rick Martin

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From: Madahbee, Pat [gcc@anishinabek.ca]
Sent: Monday, March 08, 2010 10:32 AM
To: RickMartin
Subject: RE: construction issues and employment

I too am being insulted by you making out that a conversation I had with you out of courtesy is being made out to be more than that...you never met formally with my council on this issue..no wonder you are being opposed to your project by current leadership..

From: RickMartin <rick.martin@Northlandpower.ca>
Sent: March 8, 2010 10:25 AM
To: Franklin Paibomsai <chief@whitefishriver.ca>; abotossawayc@aokfn.com <abotossawayc@aokfn.com>; sfnchief@explornet.com <sfnchief@explornet.com>
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Subject: RE: construction issues and employment

Chief Shining Turtle,

I'm not trying in any way to be insulting and we have tried to be respectful. We have a duty to consult as part of our process and I have asked how you want to do this. This duty was put upon us and we would like to do it in a way that is honourable and respectful. Until the crown engages, as you have stated, I don't know what more we can do but we have not turned you away. And will not. We will cooperate with you to find a way that we can mutually participate in this process. Please let us know what to do next.

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To: RickMartin; abotossawayc@aokfn.com; sfnchief@explornet.com
Cc: ajacko@uccm.ca; patrick.madahbee@anishinabek.ca; 'Nancy Kleer'
Subject: RE: construction issues and employment

Whitefish River is not supporting this project. We have not been consulted, but insulted with the process that involves our treaty, aboriginal and inherent rights to The Great Spirit Island!! We will not be attending this meeting to indorse a process that excludes our Treaties and our rights.

From: RickMartin [mailto:rick.martin@Northlandpower.ca]
Sent: March 8, 2010 9:56 AM
To: abotossawayc@aokfn.com; sfnchief@explornet.com
Cc: chief@whitefishriver.ca
Subject: construction issues and employment

Gentlemen,

I understand that right now you are all very occupied with the settling of the 1990 treaty and I wish you the best. I can't know but can only imagine the frustration you feel about these things. I assure you we are not in any way involved with this or any other treaty we just want to work with you in a way that is mutually beneficial.

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This is not an attempt to challenge your feelings about consultation, as I too am trying to have the government provide someone to assist us as you have requested for this. This is to sort out the employment and equipment items. Please, if you are able to attend or have someone in your place, bring a list of the equipment that you have that can be used during construction. Also we are considering a job fair or something like this at your communities???

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I appreciate your assistance with this issue as it is going to be a special circumstance that we will have to work around.

Take Care,

Rick Martin

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Project Manager, McLean Mountain Wind Farm

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February 17th, 2010

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Closing

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January 18th, 2010

Métis Nation of Ontario

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December 1, 2009

Chief Craig Abotossaway
Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation (Sucker Creek)
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Little Current , Ontario
POP 1KO

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While Section 17 of the REA Regulations makes reference to the need to submit the above through a form that has been approved by the MOE, as no such form is available at this time, the information/request is being made through this letter.

The following addresses the above noted requirements:

Project Description

The Project Description Report (PDR) for this project is attached and includes a map of the project area. We note that this PDR has recently been submitted to the MOE but has not yet been released to the public.

Information Regarding any Adverse Impacts on Aboriginal or Treaty Rights

There are no First Nation communities in the project area. The Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation reserve is located on the northern edge of the project area on the North Channel and Highway 540, five (5) kilometers west of Little Current. There are no turbines or project components proposed within the reserve lands of this First Nation.

The next closest First Nation communities to the project area include:

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- and
- Wikwemikong First Nation located approximately 30 km from the boundary of the project area.

Since 2004, NPI has had correspondence/discussions with the above noted First Nation communities (as well as others) and more recently with the UCCM and the Métis Nation of Ontario. NPI has stated it's willingness to meet with community representatives to discuss the Project and to receive any comments or questions.

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REA Reports Summary

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NPI has submitted the 2009 ESR to three First Nation communities. The updated REA report package will be made available to First Nation communities in late 2009/early 2010.

Request for Information

NPI is making a written request to your community for information that should be considered in the planning of this project, in particular, any information that your community may have regarding potential adverse impacts of the project on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and recommendations for measures to mitigate these adverse impacts.

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Encl. Northland Power Inc – McLean’s Mountain Wind Farm, Project Description Report



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Rick Martin

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cc: Ontario MOE

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December 1, 2009

Chief Hazel Fox/Recollet
Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve
19a Complex Drive
P.O. Box 112
POP2J0

Dear Chief and Council,

Re: Northland Power Inc., McLean's Mountain Wind Project

This letter is being sent to Aboriginal communities and organizations that Northland Power Inc. (NPI) has identified as potentially having an interest in the above noted project. While we understand that the Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) will be confirming the list of Aboriginal communities that should be notified of this project, NPI is taking early initiative to re-notify the Aboriginal communities that have been previously informed about this project. Previous notification of this project has been sent to your community/organization over the past few years.

NPI proposes to develop the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm (MMWF), located south of the community of Little Current, in the Municipality of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands (NEMI); geographic Township of Howland, and the geographic Township of Bidwell in the District of Manitoulin, Ontario. This wind farm is expected to consist of up to 43 wind turbines that will generate 77 MW of electricity.

It is NPI's intention to obtain a contract for the sale of electricity with the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) through the Province's Feed-in-Tariff (FIT) program. The project will require approval under Ontario Regulation 359/09 – Renewable Energy Approval (REA) under the *Green Energy Act*. The REA process replaces the previous process that required several separate approvals including for example, the *Environmental Assessment Act*, *Planning Act* and *Environmental Protection Act*. As specified in the REA regulations (Section 17), a project proponent is required to:

- Notify Aboriginal communities of the proponent's intent to develop the project (accomplished through this letter);
- Submission of the Project Description;
- Information regarding any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights that the community may have;
- A summary of each of the "REA Reports" that are to be released; and
- Make a written request that the aboriginal community provide in writing any information available to the community that in its opinion, should be considered in preparing the "REA Reports" and in particular, any information the community may have about the adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts.

While Section 17 of the REA Regulations makes reference to the need to submit the above through a form that has been approved by the MOE, as no such form is available at this time, the information/request is being made through this letter.

The following addresses the above noted requirements:

Project Description

The Project Description Report (PDR) for this project is attached and includes a map of the project area. We note that this PDR has recently been submitted to the MOE but has not yet been released to the public.

Information Regarding any Adverse Impacts on Aboriginal or Treaty Rights

There are no First Nation communities in the project area. The Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation reserve is located on the northern edge of the project area on the North Channel and Highway 540, five (5) kilometers west of Little Current. There are no turbines or project components proposed within the reserve lands of this First Nation.

The next closest First Nation communities to the project area include:

- Sheguiandah First Nation located approximately 3.5 km from the boundary of the project area;
- M'Chigeeng First Nation located approximately 6.5 km from the boundary of the project area; and
- Wikwemikong First Nation located approximately 30 km from the boundary of the project area.

Since 2004, NPI has had correspondence/discussions with the above noted First Nation communities (as well as others) and more recently with the UCCM and the Métis Nation of Ontario. NPI has stated it's willingness to meet with community representatives to discuss the Project and to receive any comments or questions.

In light of the above, NPI has no specific information in regards to potential adverse effects that the project could have on the constitutional and/or treaty rights of the above noted First Nations. NPI would like to confirm this with potentially affected First Nation communities.

REA Reports Summary

NPI is obligated to provide the required documentation to support its REA application. NPI intends to rely on the Environmental Study Report that was released in July 2009 to fulfill, at least partially, the necessary documentation. Based on the REA regulations, information with respect to the following is to be released:

- **Construction Plan Report** – This report will include a description of the following:
 - Construction Activities (see listing in the attached PDR)
 - The location and timing of the construction;
 - Potential negative effects that might be incurred during construction;
 - Mitigation measures to be implemented to avoid/minimize the identified effects.
- **Natural Heritage Features Summary Report** – A description of the natural heritage features in the project area (birds, bats, vegetation, terrestrial wildlife and aquatic) and demonstration that the required REA setbacks from natural heritage features have been met.
- **Water Assessment Summary Report** – Summary of water features in the project area and demonstration that the required REA setbacks from water features have been met.
- **Consultation Report** – Summary of communication and consultation activities conducted to date with the public, government agencies and Aboriginal communities as well as a summary of the communication and consultation activities that are planned to be undertaken under the REA process, including responses to concerns that are received.
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 - Land restoration activities;
 - Procedures for waste management.
- **Design and Operations Report** – a description of the following:
 - Site plan of the project showing all project components and their location;
 - Surface water supplies to be used;
 - An environmental effects monitoring plan;
 - A plan to inform interest and the response plan to address potential future concerns.
- **Noise Study Report** – description of the noise modeling results to demonstrate that the turbine locations will meet MOE specified noise levels.
- **Wind Turbine Specification Report** – A technical description of the intended wind turbines to be used.

NPI has submitted the 2009 ESR to three First Nation communities. The updated REA report package will be made available to First Nation communities in late 2009/early 2010.

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September 16th, 2011

Sudbury Métis Council
Roger A. Giroux, President
P.O. Box 81
Site 18 RR#3
Sudbury, ON P3E 4N1

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Chief Irene Sagon-Kells
Zhiibaahaasing First Nation
General Delivery
Silver Water, ON
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North Channel Métis Council
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Please do not hesitate to contact me directly with any questions regarding the proposed project at:

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- Phone (mobile): (705) 271.5358, Phone (project office): (705) 368.0303
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Yours truly,

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September 16th, 2011

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Dear Chief Augonie:

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Summaries of Draft REA Reports

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The following provides summaries of the final REA reports comprising an application for Renewable Energy Approval to the Ministry of the Environment. They cover all pertinent information from the following REA reports:

- Project Description Report
- Construction Plan Report
- Design and Operations Report
- Decommissioning Plan Report
- Noise Study Report
- Natural Heritage Assessment
- Water Assessment
- Wind Turbine Specification Report
- Property Line Setback Report

Any supplementary documents (such as the MNR confirmation letter) are discussed in the report summaries to which they apply.

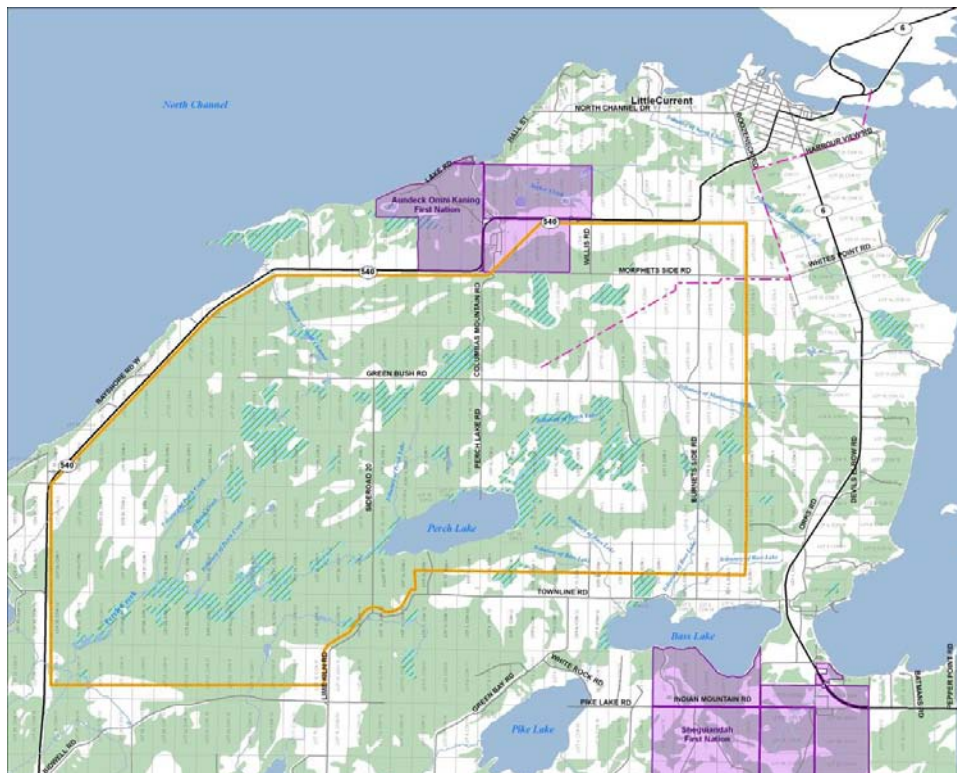


Project Description Report

The *Project Description Report* provides a summary of the content, key issues and findings of all the draft REA reports. It discusses project location, components, activities, potential negative environmental effects and proposed mitigation and/or monitoring activities. It covers the construction, operation and decommissioning phases of the project. All of these topics will be covered in the summaries of individual reports below.

The wind farm will consist of twenty-four (24) wind turbines that will generate sixty (60) megawatts (MW) of electricity. Twenty-nine (29) potential turbines sites have been identified but, upon approval, only 24 turbines will be constructed. The additional 5 turbine sites will only be implemented, should any of the preferred 24 sites become unsuitable for development. Permit approvals are being sought for all 29 potential sites. The electricity generated from the wind turbines will be collected through a network of collection grid lines to the on-site transformer. The transformer will step-up the voltage to 115 kV. A 10.3 kilometre transmission line will be installed to connect the project to the Provincial Grid on Goat Island. A section of the transmission line will involve a submarine cable to cross the North Channel to access Goat Island. Each wind turbine will be accessed by a short access road.

The following map, provided in the PDR, shows the project location and lands within 300m:





Construction Plan Report

This *Construction Plan Report* provides detailed information on the construction and installation of all project components, potential negative environmental effects within 300 m of the project location (as related to construction activities and temporary facility components) and mitigation measures with respect to those effects.

Construction activities are anticipated to take 12 – 15 months begin in Spring 2012. The following table, extracted from the report, provides information on the various activities:

Table 4-1: Construction Schedule		
<i>Activity</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>Duration</i>
Site Preparation and Clearing	April 2012	4 weeks
Access Road Construction	May 2012	8 weeks
Foundation Construction	June 2012	12 weeks
Collector Line Installation	May 2012	8 weeks
Transmission Line Construction	June 2012	12 weeks
Installation of Transformer Substation Station	July 2012	4 weeks
Turbine Transportation and Lay Down	July 2012	4 weeks
Crane Erection	June 2012	4 weeks
Tower, Generator and Rotator Assembly	July –August 2012	8 weeks
Operations Building Construction	August-September 2012	8 weeks
Electrical Interconnection	May 2012	20 weeks
Wind Farm Commissioning	September 2012	8 weeks
Site Rehabilitation	Spring 2013	4 weeks

The turbines and associated infrastructure have been located to minimize effects of the projects. Extensive consultations have been conducted with various ministries including the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Ministry of Environment to ensure that project effects will be minimized. Potential impacts of the construction activities include:

- Removal of some agricultural land;
- The removal of vegetation and the loss/fragmentation of some wildlife habitat;
- Temporary disturbance of wildlife from construction activity;
- Temporary increase in erosion sedimentation and turbidity, increase nutrients and contaminants in watercourses and wetlands;
- Minor alteration to drainage patterns;
- Potential for minor fuel spills;
- Localized increase in dust levels from ground excavation and machinery operation;



- Localized increase in noise levels from construction equipment that could disturb adjacent land users; and
- Potential for traffic disruption/delays on local roads and potential for local road damage.

A variety of mitigation measures to avoid or reduce the above listed impacts are described in this *Construction Plan Report* and in other REA reports as noted. Also presented are the monitoring activities that will be undertaken to ensure that effects are minimized.

Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessments were conducted and are appended to the *Construction Plan Report*. The majority of the project area has low archaeological potential and no cultural material was located in those areas identified for a Stage 2 assessment. The Ministry of Tourism and Culture's letters of concurrence have been provided. A cultural heritage summary or 'self assessment' was conducted and screening for impacts to built heritage and cultural heritage landscape indicate that there are no heritage concerns.

It is the conclusion of the *Construction Plan Report* that provided the mitigation measures are followed by the construction contractor, the Project is anticipated to have few net adverse effects on the social and natural environment. An *Environmental Management and Protection Plan* (EMPP) has also been prepared and is available in Appendix C of the *Design and Operations Report* and construction and monitoring procedures will be implemented in a manner that is consistent with the EMPP and with local, provincial and federal standards and guidelines. The EMPP covers all critical construction and environmental management tasks including the mitigation measures identified in this report. The monitoring plans include terrestrial and aquatic habitats, roads, air quality, noise, and public and stakeholder relations.



Design and Operations Report

The *Design and Operations Report* presents the Site Plan, Facility Components, Cultural and Natural Features and Water Bodies, Noise receptors, the Facility Design Plan, the Facility Operations Plan and Emergency Response and Communications Plan. Appended to the Design and Operations Report is the Environmental Management and Protection Plan (EMPP) that outlines construction and operating procedures that the owner's of the facility and their contractors are obligated to comply with during all stages of the project.

The wind farm consists of the following components:

- Twenty-four (24) wind turbines;
- 690V/34.5 kV step up transformers (located in the nacelle of each turbine);
- 34 kV collection system to link the wind turbines to the substation;
- Transformers/substation (34 kV to 115 kV);
- A 10.3 km, 115 kV single circuit transmission line;
- A connection station at the point of connection with the provincial grid;
- Transition yard;
- Operations and maintenance building;
- Wind turbine access roads;
- Water crossings; and
- Four (4) meteorological towers (which are already installed and operating).

No stormwater management or sediment control is required during the operation and maintenance phase of the facility. A concrete containment system would be installed to capture any leaks from the transformer.

The wind turbines will be operated in a manner consistent with nationally recognized standards for operation of wind turbine facilities in Canada. The project will be operated by a staff of 10 people who would work out of the on-site operations building. Typical generated traffic would be low and include staff traveling to and from the operations building to visit/inspect the turbines, as required. A communication system will be installed that will provide on-site notification and also allow remote monitoring of the status of the turbines. Components defined as critical, such as the rotor, generator, gearbox and cooling system, will be monitored using a supplier designed system to ensure safe shutdown. Controls will be implemented for fail safe action in the event of electrical or instrument losses.

Normal maintenance on the individual wind turbines occurs twice per year. It involves complete checks of structural soundness, checks of the electronics systems, changing of hydraulic and lubricating fluids, etc. Two person teams, for safety reasons, conduct



maintenance. The expected maintenance time involved is two days per turbine. Unexpected maintenance occurs infrequently and typically involves the replacement of a major component, such as a gearbox, transformer or blade. Waste will be stored in a secured area of the Operations and Maintenance Building. Solid waste would be collected and transported off-site for disposal at the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands (NEMI) landfill site, located at 9571 Highway 6 south, Little Current.

The Emergency Response and Communications Plan provides information critical to unplanned events and details on emergency and non-emergency communications, including the complaints resolution process.

The Environmental Management and Protection Plan has been developed to provide the required protection measures for the activities associated with the construction, maintenance and operation phases of the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm, as such these are long term initiatives. The EMPP will be maintained by the Project Manager and is meant to be a living document, and such, will be updated from time to time when new technologies or best practices emerge that would further mitigate any potential adverse effects from all stages of the project. An Avian and Bat Post-Construction Monitoring Plan (PCMP) has been designed to evaluate the accuracy of the predicted environmental impacts on birds and bats and to meet requirements set out in Regulation 359/09. Environment Canada and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) are being consulted to confirm this monitoring strategy.

It is the general conclusion of the *Design and Operations Report* that this project can be operated without any significant adverse residual effects to the natural or social environment. Significant adverse effects to the natural and social environment have been avoided through careful site selection, facility layout planning and strict adherence to all regulatory requirements. All turbines, access roads and ancillary facilities have been sited with landowner consultation to minimize the impact to current agricultural operations. No significant adverse environmental effects are anticipated.



Noise Study

The purpose of the Noise Study is to fulfill requirements under Ontario Regulation 116/01 of the Environmental Assessment Act and to provide the basis for the Certificate of Approval – Air [“C of A (Air)”] under Section 9 of the Environmental Protection Act (“EPA”). The objective of this assessment is to demonstrate, by means of technical assessment, that the noise impact from the operation of the Project will comply with the Ministry of the Environment’s (“MOE”) environmental noise guidelines for wind turbines.

Building upon the project specific guidelines, noise impact prediction modelling was undertaken. The noise impact from the Project’s wind turbine array and transformers and including neighbouring wind turbines operating at maximum rated power on the nearest points of reception was predicted using an acoustic model, ISO 9613, as required by the MOE.

The analysis shows that the noise impact from the Project does not exceed the most restrictive noise limits that apply for areas with acoustic designation of Class 3 (Rural) as defined by the MOE. Consequently, there is no need for the application of any additional mitigation measures and no further studies are contemplated for environmental noise in relation to the Project.

The Noise Study has been appended to the Design and Operations Report.



Decommissioning Plan Report

This report provides a description of decommissioning activities, including the disposal or recycling of wastes and the management of excess waste and materials. The report also provides an overview of the restoration of lands affected by the project after the project life span.

In the event of the abandonment of the proposed facility or in the event that the wind farm operation closes down, the owners will adhere to all decommissioning requirements provided in this report and will ensure the project site is properly restored to a safe, clean pre-facility condition.

The major components of the wind turbines (tower, nacelle, blades) are modular items that allow for ease of construction and disassembly of the wind turbines during replacement or decommissioning. Dismantled wind turbines have a high salvage value due to the steel and copper components. These components are easily recyclable and there is a ready market for scrap metals. Transformers and transmission lines are designed for a 50 year lifespan so these items could be refurbished and sold for reuse. Up to 75% of the aggregate materials from the crane pad and base course can be re-used.

Once all of the turbines and ancillary facilities are removed, the remaining work to complete the decommissioning of the Project will consist of shaping and grading of the areas to as near as practicable to the original contour prior to construction of the wind turbines and access roads. All areas, including the access roads, transformer pads and crane pads will be restored as near as practical to their original condition with native soils and seeded.

Potential negative environmental effects during decommissioning are similar to those during construction. Measures to mitigate negative effects, as described in the Construction Plan Report, will be followed for decommissioning activities.

It is the overall conclusion of the *Decommissioning Plan Report* that the decommissioning of the wind farm and ancillary equipment will be conducted in such a manner as to ensure that there will be no significant negative environmental or social effects.



Water Assessment

This report is intended to fulfill the requirements for the *Water Assessment Report* according to Sections 30 and 31 of *Ontario Regulation 359/09*. Various local, provincial and federal records were reviewed to assess the current understanding of water bodies within 300 m of the project location. Following this, a site investigation was undertaken to verify the accuracy of the records review and to amend any discrepancies that may have been observed.

The McLean's Mountain Wind Farm project location falls within the Manitoulin Islands Tertiary Watershed 2CG. Manitoulin Island is located within Lake Huron, with the project location including the North Channel between Goat Island and Manitoulin Island. Permanent and intermittent streams (i.e., watercourses) within the project location either flow to Perch Lake or Strawberry Channel in Lake Huron. There are no identified Lake Trout lakes or seepage areas in the project location.

The only applicable water bodies in and/or within 120 m of the project location are nine permanent and intermittent streams. The transmission line will cross 3 watercourses, including the North Channel to Goat Island. Two tributaries to Bass Lake will require water crossings for access roads; the remaining watercourses crossed are either aboveground feeder lines or feeder lines that will be installed underground using high-pressure direction drilling (HDD). Only three turbines are located within 120 m of a waterbody. A construction staging area is proposed within 40 m of a tributary draining to Manitowaning Bay.

Northland Power will mitigate potential effects of the project on water bodies by: installing appropriate erosion and sediment control measures prior to construction; crossing streams using HDD, following Fisheries and Oceans Canada Operational Statements with respect to HDD, underwater cables and timing windows for in-water work; maintaining as much riparian vegetation as possible; managing the construction area to ensure debris and other associated materials do not enter a water body; appropriate stormwater management planning where necessary; and, ensuring that local water levels are not negatively effected or contaminated.



Property Line Setback Report

A *Property Line Setback Report* is required when turbine locations are within the required property line setbacks. All noise receptor, road and transformer setbacks have been met. However, there are three wind turbines to be located within the tower height (98.3 metres) of a non-participating property line. Each of these turbines is located at least 61.5 metres (blade length plus 10 metres) from the non-participating property line boundaries.

There are no sensitive land uses within the 98.3 metres of these three turbines and it is the conclusion of this report no negative impacts are expected based on the wind turbine layout. The following table, extracted from the *Property Line Setback Report* summarizes the findings.

Table-5-1: Property Line Setback Summary, Effects and Preventative Measures					
Turbine Site ID	Distance to Property Line (m)	Adjacent Lot/ Concession	Features within 98.3 metres of turbine	Potential Adverse Impacts	Preventative Measures
T9	75 m	Lt 4, Con 6	Open Field	None Expected	None Required
T21	68.2 m	Lot 20, Con 3	Woodlands	None Expected	None Required
T43	65m	Lot 23, Con 11	Woodlands	None Expected	None Required



Wind Turbine Specification Report

This report outlines the specifications of the wind turbines, including the make, model, nameplate capacity, hub height, rotational speeds and acoustic emissions data, including the sound power and frequency spectrum, in terms of octave-band sound power levels, as well as the measurement uncertainty value and tonality.

As noted above, the project will consist of 24 General Electric 2.5 MW wind turbines generators for a total nameplate capacity of 60 MW. The following table, extracted from the report, provides a description of the GE 2.5 xl wind turbine that will be used for the Project. For additional turbine specifications and acoustic emissions data please refer to the appendix of this report.

Table 4-1: Turbine Description – General Electric 2.5xl	
<i>Operating Data</i>	<i>Specification</i>
General	
Rated capacity (kW)	2500
Cut-in wind speed (m/s)	3.5
Cut-out wind speed	25
Number of rotor blades	3
Rotor diameter (m)	103
Swept Area (m ²)	8328
Rotational Speed (rpm)	5-14 (variable)
Tower	
Hub height above grade (m)	98.3
Tip height (m)	193.8



Natural Heritage Assessment Reporting Summary

The REA Regulation addresses natural heritage protection for renewable energy projects on private land and provincial Crown land in Ontario. Under the REA Regulation, applicable renewable energy projects undergo a Natural Heritage Assessment (NHA). Through the NHA, applicants identify any natural features at or near the proposed project location based on the findings of a records review and site investigation. The significance of these natural features is evaluated based on protocols procedures established or accepted by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR). Where significant natural features are identified within or adjacent to 120m of the project location an EIS is required. An environmental impact study (EIS) is prepared for the purpose of demonstrating how any potential negative environmental effects will be addressed (MNR 2011). Discussion of species at risk, fish habitat and other information needs, as outlined in the MNR's Approval and Permitting Requirements Document for Renewable Energy (MNR 2009), are discussed in a separate report, under direction from the MNR and in compliance with the REA.

Applicants submit NHA reports to MNR for review and written confirmation of approach. Similarly, applicants submit EIS Reports to MNR for review and written confirmation that the EIS was prepared using procedures established by MNR. The confirmation(s) from MNR are submitted to MOE as part of the application documentation for a REA. MNR may also provide additional comments on the project, which will be considered by MOE and may inform conditions on the approval of the application.

Records Review Report

A records review was completed, consistent with Section 25 of *Ontario Regulation 359/09*, for the project location using secondary source information. Section 25 of *Ontario Regulation 359/09* states a natural heritage assessment for a renewable energy facility includes a records review to search for and determine whether the project location is:

1. In or within 120 m of a provincial park or conservation reserve,
2. In a natural feature, as defined to be:
 - i. a wetland (coastal wetland, northern wetland or southern wetland),
 - ii. a valleyland,
 - iii. a wildlife habitat,
 - iv. a woodland, or
 - v. an area of natural and scientific interest (ANSI, life science).
3. Within 50 m of an ANSI (earth science), or
4. Within 120 m of a natural feature that is not an ANSI (earth science).



The determinations made in the records review formed the baseline knowledge for the project location. **Table 1** summarizes the determinations made during this records review.

Site Investigation Report

This site investigation report was completed to analyze the accuracy of the determinations made during the records review. It is consistent with Section 26 of *Ontario Regulation 359/09*, which states that a person who proposes to engage in a renewable energy project shall ensure that a physical investigation of the air, land and water within 120 m of the project location is conducted for the purpose of determining:

- Whether the results of the analysis summarized in the report prepared under subsection 25 (3) [Records Review Report] are correct or require correction, and identifying any required corrections;
- Whether any additional natural features exist, other than those that were identified in the report prepared under subsection 25 (3) [Records Review Report];
- The boundaries, located within 120 m of the project location, of any natural feature that was identified in the records review or the site investigation; and
- The distance from the project location to the boundaries [of the natural feature].

Based on the results of the site investigations, ten previously unidentified wetlands units were delineated within 120 m of the project location including wetland units 2-6 and 8-12. In addition, two previously identified unevaluated wetlands required an adjustment to their boundaries (units 1 and 7). Further, several candidate significant wildlife habitats have been added as potentially occurring within the 120 m of the project location and two potential significant wildlife habitats identified in the records review report have been discounted as not occurring within 120 m of the project location. Several species of conservation concern have been identified as occurring in the project location or immediate areas. Five occurrences of the rare Common Juniper Shrub Alvar community were observed during site investigations.

Table 1 identifies any necessary corrections to the determinations made during the Records Review Report, including the addition of natural features, the absence of natural features identified during the records review and the amendments to boundaries of all natural features located within 120 m of the project location.

Evaluation of Significance Report

The Evaluation of Significance Report is consistent with Section 27 of *Ontario Regulation 359/09*, which states that a person who proposes to engage in a renewable



energy project shall evaluate any information available to the person relating to natural features, including all information obtained during the records review, site investigation and in consultation with regulatory agencies, stakeholders and other interested and relevant parties. The evaluation undertaken assesses the results of the records review and site investigation information identified above, in order to determine:

- If a natural feature is significant if it is a valleyland or a wildlife habitat; and,
- If a natural feature is provincially significant if it is a southern wetland, a northern wetland, a coastal wetland, an area of natural and scientific interest (earth science) or an area of natural and scientific interest (life science).

Natural features that have not previously been evaluated by the MNR require an evaluation using criteria and procedures established or accepted by the MNR. Woodlands and valleylands are only assessed for significance if they are south and east of the Canadian Shield as shown in Figure 1 in the *Provincial Policy Statement, 2005*.

Table 1 below summarizes the results of the evaluations.

Environmental Impact Study Report

By completing an EIS Report in accordance with procedures established by the MNR, project components may be constructed and installed in and within 120 m of a significant or provincially significant natural feature, as identified in Section 38 of the REA, provided certain conditions are met. The EIS Report is consistent with Section 38 of Ontario Regulation 359/09, which details that an EIS Report must include the following:

- Identification and assessment of any negative environmental effects of the project on a natural feature, provincial park or conservation reserve;
- Identification of mitigation measures in respect of any negative environmental effects;
- Description of how the environmental effects monitoring plan in the Design and Operations Report addresses any negative environmental effects; and,
- Description of how the construction plan report addresses any negative environmental effects.

Through a records review, site investigation and natural features evaluation of significance, it was determined that significant and/or provincially significant natural features exist within the project location or prescribed setback areas, as outlined in **Table 1**. The EIS Report demonstrates how negative environmental effects of the project will be mitigated, and sets out a program for ongoing monitoring of the effectiveness of the mitigation measures. **Table 2** above provides a description of performance objectives in respect of each negative environmental effect; mitigation measures planned to achieve performance objectives; how the project is to be monitored; and a contingency plan to be



implemented should monitoring reveal that mitigation measures have failed. The EIS Report was completed to mitigate any potential negative environmental effects to the following significant or provincially significant natural features:

- Wetland 1 to 10;
- Waterfowl Nesting 1, 4 and 5;
- Raptor Winter Feeding and Roosting 3 & 4;
- Alvar 1 to 4;
- Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat 1 to 8;
- Turtle Over-wintering Area 1 to 6;
- Sites Supporting Area-sensitive Species: Forest Birds 1 & 2;
- Sites Supporting Area-sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds 3 & 4;
- Species of Conservation Concern – Cooper’s Milkvetch, Slender Blazing Star, Clustered Broomrape, Prairie Dropseed, Short-eared Owl, Canada Warbler, Common Nighthawk & Snapping Turtle

Table 2 outlines how the activities related to the construction, operation and decommissioning of the facility affect these natural features and the appropriate mitigation and monitoring work to be implemented.



Table 1: Summary of the Natural Heritage Assessment for McLean's Mountain Wind Farm

Natural Feature	Applicable Project Component(s)	Distance Between Feature & Project Location (metres)	Summary of Natural Heritage Assessment			EIS Required?
			Identified During Records Review?	Identified, Verified or Refined During Site Investigation?	Evaluation of Significance Results	
Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves						
Not applicable to project location						
ANSI, Life Science						
Not applicable to project location						
ANSI, Earth Science						
Not applicable to project location						
Valleylands						
Not applicable to project location						
Wetlands						
1	T40, Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) Access/Exit Pit, Access Road, Feeder Lines	30 m	✓	Refined	Prov. Significant	✓
2	HDD Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Lines	30 m	☒	Identified	Prov. Significant	✓
3	HDD Access/Exit Pit, Access Road, Feeder Lines	25 m	☒	Identified	Prov. Significant	✓
4	Access Road, Feeder Lines	0m	☒	Identified	Prov. Significant	✓
5	Access Road, Feeder Lines	0m	☒	Identified	Prov. Significant	✓
6	HDD Access/Exit Pit, Access Road, Feeder Lines, T23	30 m	☒	Identified	Prov. Significant	✓
7	Access Road, Feeder Lines, T30	52 m	✓	Refined	Prov. Significant	✓



Natural Feature	Applicable Project Component(s)	Distance Between Feature & Project Location (metres)	Summary of Natural Heritage Assessment			EIS Required?
			Identified During Records Review?	Identified, Verified or Refined During Site Investigation ?	Evaluation of Significance Results	
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8	Access Road	5 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified	Prov. Significant	✓
9	Access Road	2 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified	Prov. Significant	✓
10	Access Road	40 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified	Prov. Significant	✓
11	Access Road	75 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	Transmission line	Within	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Seasonal Concentration Areas						
Waterfowl Nesting Area – WNA 1	HDD Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Line and Access Road, T40, T42	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Waterfowl Nesting Area – WNA 4	HDD Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Line and Access Road, T29	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Waterfowl Nesting Area – WNA 5	T6	Within 120m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Waterfowl Nesting Area – WNA 2 & 3	HDD Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Line and Access Road,	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Raptor Winter	HDD	Within	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as	Not	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Natural Feature	Applicable Project Component(s)	Distance Between Feature & Project Location (metres)	Summary of Natural Heritage Assessment			EIS Required?
			Identified During Records Review?	Identified, Verified or Refined During Site Investigation ?	Evaluation of Significance Results	
Feeding and Roosting Area RWFR 1 & 2	Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Line, Access Road, T16, T29	project location		Candidate	Significant	
Raptor Winter Feeding and Roosting Area RWFR 3	Turbine 34, Feeder Line and Access Road	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Raptor Winter Feeding and Roosting Area RWFR 4	T6, T5, T13, T10, T9, T15, T19, T20 Construction Staging Area, Feeder line and Transmission line -	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Bullfrog Concentration Area - BCA 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	HDD Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Line and Access Road, T40, T23	Within 120m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Rare Vegetation Communities</i>						
Alvar - ALV 1, 2	Feeder Line	Within 120m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Alvar - ALV 3	Feeder Line & HDD Access/Exit Pit	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Alvar - ALV 4	Transmission Line	Within 120m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Alvar - ALV 5	Transmission Line	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Specialised Wildlife Habitat</i>						

Natural Feature	Applicable Project Component(s)	Distance Between Feature & Project Location (metres)	Summary of Natural Heritage Assessment			EIS Required?
			Identified During Records Review?	Identified, Verified or Refined During Site Investigation?	Evaluation of Significance Results	
Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat - WABH 1 & 7	Feeder Line & HDD Access/Exit Pit	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat - WABH 2	T40, Feeder Line and Access Road	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat - WABH 3 & 4	Feeder Line & HDD Access/Exit Pit	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat - WABH 5	HDD Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Line & Access Road	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat - WABH 6	Feeder Line & Access Road	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat - WABH 8	Feeder Line & T23	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Turtle Overwintering Areas - TOA 1	T40, HDD Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Line & Access Road	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Turtle	HDD	Within	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as	Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



Natural Feature	Applicable Project Component(s)	Distance Between Feature & Project Location (metres)	Summary of Natural Heritage Assessment			EIS Required?
			Identified During Records Review?	Identified, Verified or Refined During Site Investigation?	Evaluation of Significance Results	
Overwintering Areas - TOA 2	Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Line	120 m		Candidate	t	
Turtle Overwintering Areas - TOA 3	HDD Access/Exit Pit, Feeder Line & Access Road	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Turtle Overwintering Areas - TOA 4	Feeder Line	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Turtle Overwintering Areas - TOA 5	HDD Access/Exit Pit, T23, Feeder Line and Access Road	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Turtle Overwintering Areas - TOA 6	Access Road	Within 120 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Sites Supporting Area-sensitive Species: Forest Birds - FB 1	T43, T39, Feeder line & Access Road	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Sites Supporting Area-sensitive Species: Forest Birds - FB 2	HDD Access/Exit Pit & Feeder Line	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Sites Supporting Area-	HDD Access/Exit Pit, T17, T21, T11,	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



Natural Feature	Applicable Project Component(s)	Distance Between Feature & Project Location (metres)	Summary of Natural Heritage Assessment			EIS Required?
			Identified During Records Review?	Identified, Verified or Refined During Site Investigation ?	Evaluation of Significance Results	
sensitive Species: Forest Birds - FB 3, 4 & 5	T14, Feeder Line & Access Road					
Sites Supporting Area-sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds - OCBB 1	Feeder Line & Access Road	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sites Supporting Area-sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds - OCBB 2	HDD Access/Exit Pit, T29, T16, Feeder Line & Access Road	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sites Supporting Area-sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds - OCBB 3	T34	Within 120m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sites Supporting Area-sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds - OCBB 4	T6, T5, T13, T10, T9, T15, Feeder Line, Construction Staging Area, Access Road & Transmission line	Within project location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sites Supporting	Access Road	Within project	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



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			Identified During Records Review?	Identified, Verified or Refined During Site Investigation ?	Evaluation of Significance Results	
Area-sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds - OCBB 5		location			t	
<i>Habitat of Species of Conservation Concern</i>						
Northern Shrike	---	---	✓	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rough-legged Hawk	---	---	✓	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Olive-sided Flycatcher	---	---	✓	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Red-headed Woodpecker	---	---	✓	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Short-eared Owl	See OCBB4	See OCBB4	✓	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Bald Eagle	---	---	✓	Identified as Candidate	Not Significant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Common Snapping Turtle	See TOA	See TOA	✓	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Cooper's Milkvetch	T30	10 m from T30	✓	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Slender Blazing Star	Transmission Line	Within 120m	✓	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Clustered Broomrape	No occurrence known	--	✓	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓
Prairie Dropseed	No occurrence known	--	✓	Identified as Candidate	Significant	✓

Table 2: Summary of negative environmental effects, performance objectives, mitigation measures, monitoring plan and contingency measures to be implemented to ensure protection of natural features identified to be significant.

Potential Negative/Positive Effect(s)		Significant Natural Feature Affected by Activity	Performance Objective	Mitigation Measures	Residual Effects	Monitoring Strategy & Methods	Monitoring Locations	Frequency & Duration	Reporting Requirements	Contingency Measures
Physical	Functional									
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential for increased erosion and sedimentation on adjacent lands ▪ Removal of vegetation adjacent to natural features 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Habitat fragmentation and decreased shade cover in areas adjacent to natural feature ▪ Increased vulnerability of the cleared area to invasion by non-native species ▪ Greater exposure of wildlife to predation through the opening of interior habitat to increased predator activity ▪ Greater potential for reduced water quality required for successful breeding 	Wetland 1, 3, 6, 7, Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat 1, 2, 5, Turtle Over-wintering Habitat 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	Prevent erosion and sedimentation of adjacent lands, minimize removal of vegetation and maintain water quality of natural feature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Develop and implement an erosion and sediment control plan before removing vegetation ▪ Fencing of boundary between wetland and area to be cleared to prevent encroachment ▪ Erosion and sediment control plan and/or fencing will be designed in a manner that does not prevent turtle access/exit to over-wintering habitat 	No Residual Effect	Monitor the effectiveness of the erosion and sedimentation control measures	Areas of clearing and grubbing within 30m of a wetland, Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat and Turtle Over-wintering Habitat	Biweekly and/or after a 10mm rain event until vegetation is re-established	Notification of incident to the appropriate onsite personnel Identification of results, issue and resolution in annual report, which is to be submitted to the MNR	Soils stabilization treatment and native replacement plantings to be provided in significantly disturbed areas with repeated erosion and sedimentation control measure failures
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limited potential for increased erosion and sedimentation to enter into habitat ▪ Removal/storage of spoils from HDD Access/Exit Pit on either side of Perch Creek. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Localized temporary displacement of wildlife due to noise and vibration 	Wetland 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, Waterfowl Nesting Area 1, 4, Raptor Winter Feeding and Roosting Area 3, Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8	Remove or contain spoils from HDD on site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensure all spoils from site are removed in a timely manner. If any storage of spoils is required they should be no closer than 30m from the wetland ▪ Implement erosion and sediment control plan to ensure no transportation of spoils into adjacent areas ▪ Re-grade to preconstruction condition 	No Residual Effect		In areas where HDD spoils are stored between 120m and 30m from natural features	Biweekly and/or after a 10mm rain event until spoils are removed and vegetation is re-established		Any failure of sediment and erosion control measures meant to contain spoils will result in spoils being trucked offsite or at a minimum > 120m away from a natural feature

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Physical	Functional									
				and re-vegetate using native plant species typical of the adjacent habitat						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loss of native substrate and potential for imported gravel material to enter into immediately adjacent habitat during storm events Increased runoff during storm events as a result of reduced infiltration in local area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loss of plant diversity in localized area adjacent to road Where road substrate is removed post-construction, imported soil has the potential to support the growth of non-native species Loss of upland forage structure in localized area adjacent to road area 	<p>Wetland 1, 3, 7, Waterfowl Nesting Area 1, Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat 5, 6</p> <p>Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat 5</p>	Prevent reduction in quality or loss of plant/vegetation communities adjacent to access roads and turbine basis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design roads to promote infiltration (e.g. use of gravel materials); Maintain or provide vegetative buffers; Stock piled materials necessary for construction will be placed greater than 30m away from a wetland and potential sedimentation arising from these will be contained by the erosion and sediment control measures. 	Minimal Residual Effect – road area small, thus marginal decrease in localized infiltration expected; negligible change to surface water runoff volumes expected from pre-development conditions	Visual assessment of vegetation communities for disturbance	Areas adjacent to access roads and turbine basis	At the end of construction	Identification of results, issue and resolution in annual report, which is to be submitted to the MNR	Foreign substrate to be removed and native replacement plantings to be provided in significantly disturbed areas
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disturbance of vegetation that has regenerated adjacent to access road during the operational period 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased vulnerability of the site to invasion by non-native species 	Wetland 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, Waterfowl Nesting Area 1, 4 & 5, Raptor Winter Feeding and Roosting Area 4, Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat 2, 5, 6, Turtle Over-wintering Habitat 1, 3, Area Sensitive Species: Forest Birds FB 1, Area Sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds OCBB 3, 4	Reduce disturbance of vegetation that has regenerated around project components that are to be removed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confine disturbance to the smallest area possible No additional footprint disturbance than was created during construction Re-vegetate disturbed area with fast growing competitive nurse crop; Develop and implement an erosion and sediment control plan prior to decommissioning Cease decommissioning in Waterfowl Nesting 	No Residual Effect	Monitor establishment of nurse crop as well as the effectiveness of the erosion and sediment control plan	A representative subset of project components where habitat is disturbed, including those within 30m of a wetland, Woodland Amphibian Breeding Habitat and	Biweekly and/or after a 10mm rain event for one growing season until vegetation is re-established	Notification of incident to the appropriate onsite personnel. Identification of results, issue and resolution in annual report, which is to be submitted to the MNR	Where nurse crop does not sufficiently establish itself and erosion is observed to be occurring, reseed and monitor

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				Area during April 15 to June 15, May 1 to July 15 for other natural features			Turtle Over-wintering Habitat			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Existing access road to follow an esker and material to be used as construction material, which may result in reduced stability of landform composed of unconsolidated material ▪ Increased erosion of esker material into down slope natural features 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clearing of forest vegetation along slope of road as material is extracted for other construction purposes. ▪ Potential to reduce the quality of natural features vegetation immediately down slope of access road 	Wetland 6, 8, 9, 10, Waterfowl Nesting Area 4	Prevent the sedimentation of wetland at the base of esker road slope	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Use existing access road (esker) and minimize widening ▪ Minimize vegetation removal on slopes and add additional thick native shrub plantings at the base of slope closest to 75m Wetland 6 finger in proximity to access road ▪ Maintain appropriate side slopes and add native plantings to stabilize material during and after removal ▪ Develop and implement an erosion and sediment control plan before removing vegetation on slopes and before any extraction ▪ Stock piled materials necessary for construction will be placed greater than 30m away from a wetland and potential sedimentation arising from these will be contained by the erosion and sediment control measures. 	Minimal Residual Effect – provided: appropriate construction monitoring occurs’ erosion and sediment control structure is maintained, additional native plantings added and side slopes are stabilized effects will be decreased	Monitor the effectiveness of the erosion and sedimentation control measure protecting & visually inspect slope stability and wetland	Areas of wetland 6, 8, 9 and 10 that are closest to the access road	Bi-weekly during construction and monthly after construction for 2 years (except during winter when snow cover is present)	Identification of results, issue and resolution in annual report, which is to be submitted to the MNR	Stabilize slopes ; remove esker material which has reduced quality of wetland and provide native replacement plantings of an appropriate extent and species diversity to ensure no net lose of wetland vegetation and function

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Physical	Functional									
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loss of forest vegetation 	Disturbance/displacement of wintering raptors, especially Short-eared Owl from local area	Raptor Winter Feeding and Roosting Area 3	Monitor effectiveness of project location design to prevent the displacement of wintering raptors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project location designed to be on the periphery of this habitat and minimize the loss of vegetation Additional pre-construction surveys will be conducted to further assess the significance of this feature. If the feature continues to be considered significant, mitigation, as detailed here, is required. Pre-construction surveys to be conducted will be confirmed in consultation with the MNR. See Section 9.1 for mitigation commitments to compensate for habitat loss and disturbance. 	No Residual Effect	Behavioural and mortality post construction monitoring developed in consultation with MNR	Raptor Winter Feeding and Roosting Area 3 & 4, Forest Birds FB 2, Area Sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds OCBB 3, 4	Winter season for 3 years post-construction	Identification of results, issue and resolution in bird and bat post-construction annual report, which is to be submitted to the MNR	<p>Possible change in project operations as determined necessary through consultation with MNR and Northland Power Inc.</p> <p>Possible habitat compensation in other areas of Manitoulin Island, as determined appropriate with MNR and NLP Inc.</p>
Loss of open pasture habitat	Reduced foraging area for winter raptors	Raptor Winter Feeding and Roosting Area 4	Monitor the level of displacement or mortality of birds associated with significant wildlife habitats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To the degree possible, the project location has been designed to minimize habitat displacement and reduce potential disturbance of winter raptors using this area. Construction to be done outside of the winter months to avoid disturbance to wintering raptors Additional pre-construction surveys will be conducted to further 	Minimal Residual Effect					

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Physical	Functional									
				<p>assess the significance of this feature. If the feature continues to be considered significant, mitigation, as detailed here, is required. Pre-construction surveys to be conducted will be confirmed in consultation with the MNR.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Section 9.1 for mitigation commitments to compensate for habitat loss and disturbance. 						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Displacement/mortality of birds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduced foraging/breeding area, abundance and diversity 	<p>Waterfowl Nesting Area 1, 4 & 5, Raptor Winter Feeding and Roosting Area 4, Area Sensitive Species: Forest Birds FB 1, Area Sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds OCBB 3, 4</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 year post-construction behavioural and mortality monitoring, consistent with MNR protocols, to assess impacts of turbines on birds for the purpose of advising on mitigation strategies to be used as part of an adaptive management plan Potential occurrence of raptor mortality during winter months will be completed during behavioural monitoring. 	Minimal Residual Effect					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential for increased erosion and sedimentation within and adjacent to Alvars Disturbance of adjacent habitat and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disruption of indicator species in Alvar 3 Increased vulnerability of the cleared area to invasion by non- 	<p>Alvar 1, 2, 3 & 4 including Slender Blazing Star Associated with Alvar 4</p>	<p>Prevent sediment and erosion within or immediately adjacent to Alvars and protect</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and implement an erosion and sediment control plan before removing vegetation Fencing of boundary between Alvar community and area to be 	No Residual Effect	<p>Monitor the effectiveness of the erosion and sedimentation control measures</p>	<p>Areas of clearing and grubbing within 30m of a Alvar</p>	<p>Biweekly and/or after a 10mm rain event until vegetation is re-established</p>	<p>Notification of incident to the appropriate onsite personnel</p> <p>Identification of results, issue</p>	<p>Soils stabilization treatment and native replacement plantings to be provided in significantly</p>

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Physical	Functional									
potential for sedimentation of area where Slender Blazing Star plants occur during extreme storm event	native species within Alvar 3 and adjacent to Alvar 1, 2 & 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction in quality of plants and germination of seeds in areas associated with Alvar 4 Slender Blazing Star occurrence 		indicator species	cleared/disturbed to prevent encroachment					and resolution in annual report, which is to be submitted to the MNR	disturbed areas with repeated erosion and sedimentation control measure failures
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Displacement and disturbance of area sensitive forest birds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduced recruitment 	Area Sensitive Species: Forest Birds FB 2	Monitor the level of displacement or mortality of birds associated with significant wildlife habitats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avoid site preparation and construction during the core breeding bird season (May 1 to July 15) 	No Residual Effect	Behavioural and mortality post construction monitoring developed in consultation with MNR	Waterfowl Nesting Areas 1, 4 & 5, Forest Birds FB 1, 2, Area Sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds OCBB 3, 4	Breeding season for 3 years post-construction	Identification of results, issue and resolution in bird and bat post-construction annual report, which is to be submitted to the MNR	Possible change in project operations as determined necessary through consultation with MNR and Northland Power Inc. Possible habitat compensation in other areas of Manitoulin Island, as determined appropriate with MNR and NLP Inc.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removal of a small portion of habitat Localized disturbance/displacement/mortality of waterfowl/areas sensitive birds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greater exposure of wildlife (birds) to predation and parasitism Reduced recruitment 	Waterfowl Nesting Area 1, 4 & 5, Area Sensitive Species: Forest Birds FB 1, Area Sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds OCBB 3, Area Sensitive Species: Open Country Breeding Birds OCBB 4		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avoid site preparation and construction during the core breeding bird season (May 1 to July 15), for waterfowl nesting areas dates will be April 15 to June 15 See Section 9.1 for mitigation commitments to compensate for habitat loss and disturbance. 	Minimal Residual Effect					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loss of Cooper's Milkvetch 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The individual was the only one observed in the study area 	Species of Conservation Concern – Cooper's Milkvetch	Prevent the disturbance or possible extirpation of Cooper's Milkvetch from the local area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transplant Cooper's Milkvetch from area around Turbine 30 and plant other individuals within appropriate habitat Monitor transplants/plantings to document plant 	No Residual Effect	Monitor the survivorship of transplanted and other planted Cooper's Milkvetch	Alvar habitat with low potential for disturbance	Twice yearly for two years after transplant during the growing season.	Identification of results, issue and resolution in annual report, which is to be submitted to the MNR.	Provide additional plantings and locations if survivorship is found to be low

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Physical	Functional									
				survivorship						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential loss of plants of conservation concern 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A single individual removed could influence survivorship of species in the larger area 	Plant Species of Conservation Concern – Clustered Broomrape, Prairie Dropseed, Slender Blazing Star and Cooper’s Milkvetch	Prevent the disturbance or possible extirpation of listed plants from the local area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a precaution, assess areas of project location with appropriate habitat for presence of species prior to clearing. This is recommended due to recent changes in project location Transplant any occurrence observed and plant other individuals within appropriate habitat Monitor transplants/plantings to document plant survivorship 	No Residual Effect	Were appropriate habitat occurs and prior to clearing, a search for plant species of conservation concern will be completed within the footprint to be cleared	<u>Clustered Broomrape</u> – Alvar; <u>Prairie Dropseed</u> - Alvars and prairie/grassland; <u>Slender Blazing Star</u> - limestone and dolostone pavement, prairies and open woods; <u>Cooper’s Milkvetch</u> - Alvars, riparian, woodlands and woodland edges	Twice yearly for two years after transplant during the growing season.	Identification of results, issue and resolution in annual report, which is to be submitted to the MNR.	Provide additional plantings and locations if survivorship is found to be low