

Appendix H

Aboriginal Correspondence

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Name of Correspondent (Sent/Received)	Date	Communication / Comment Summary
Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways (BFN) / Batchewana Natural Resources (BNR)		
To Chief Dean Sayers (from MNR)	June 29, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Proposed Applicant of Record Status for Wind Power Application documentation. • Attached maps illustrating the location of wind power applications.
To Chief Sayers (from Vortex)	September 20, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Provided introduction to company and wind investigation plan
BFN and Vortex-MKI	February 22, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Introduction of Project • Discussed Project, BFN history, treaties and rights. • Fish and cumulative impacts • Concerns expressed and noted.
From Kim Lambert, CEO (to Vortex)	August 11, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Received Meteorological Tower at Bow Lake Permitting approval; to allow necessary data collection process
To Dan Sayers Jr., Batchewana Natural Resources (BNR) Coordinator (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	April 3, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Project Update • Indicated voicemail was left with Kim Lambert • Confirmed the upcoming project discussion
From Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (to Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	April 7, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Project update • Advised that the discussion between the proponent and BNR was positive, and looking forward to developing relationship with proponent
To Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	May 18, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Advised that the proponent recognizes BFN as the sole First Nation community that the proponent is in discussion with for the Project • Provided the Draft ESR
To Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	May 18, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • In follow to the telephone conversation, the proponent indicated willingness to work with BNR on proposal submitted

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From Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (to Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	May 21, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email As per telephone conversation indicated that BNR would like to begin the next step in the BNR Land Permit process Provided a draft copy of the MOU for Field Explorations Agreement
To Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	June 3, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Advised that the Draft Field Exploration Agreement proposal will be reviewed and the proponent will be in contact for further discussion
From Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (to Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	August 11, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Requested updates on the review of the Draft Field Exploration Agreement
From Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (to Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	August 12, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Updated on Draft Field Exploration Agreement
To Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	October 23, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Acoustic Bat Survey Report
To BNR (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	November 2, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Request for Telephone Conference
To Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (to Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	December 7, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Request for Telephone Conference to provide Project updates and finalize MOU for the field exploration work.
To Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (to Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	December 7, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Memorandum of Understanding and Field Exploration Agreement
To Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (to Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	December 8, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Establish Meeting Dates

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From Dan Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (to Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	December 9, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Proposed Teleconference for December 11, 2009
To BNR (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	December 14, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Update on Vortex Submission under the Feed-in-Tariff Program
To BNR (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	January 18, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Proposed Teleconference
To BNR (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	January 22, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Proposed Teleconference
To BNR (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	January 26, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Draft MOU and Field Exploration Agreement
To BNR (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	February 2, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Draft MOU
Chief Dean Sayers, Greg Agawa, Trudy Boyer, Harvey Bell Danny Sayers, Dave Sewell, Leeann Sayers, Kevin O'Donovan, Simon De Pietro, Maureen De Pietro	April 27, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Provided update to Bow Lake Project
To BNR (from Simon DePietro, DP Energy)	May 20, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Birds and Bats Study
To Chief Dean Sayers (from Vortex)	June 29, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter (also emailed) Introduction of Bow Lake Project – Phase 1 Invited to attend upcoming public meeting Provided Phase 1 Project Description Report (PDR), as per the REA requirements. Advised of the REA reports that will be sent within coming week for review and comment.

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To Kim Lambert, (from Maureen DePietro)	July 13, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Project Update
To BNR (from Maureen DePietro)	July 16, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Project Meeting
To BNR (from Maureen DePietro)	July 21, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Proposed Meeting Dates
To BNR (from Maureen DePietro)	July 23, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Project Update
To BNR (from Maureen DePietro)	July 29, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Draft Field Exploration Agreement
To BNR (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	August 9, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Draft Field Exploration Agreement and MOU
To Leeann Sayers, BNR Admin. Assistant (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	August 31, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Proposal for MOU between BLWF and BFN
To Danny Sayers Jr., BNR Coordinator (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	September 1, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Requesting Update on Proposal to BFN
To Leeann Sayers, BNR Admin. Assistant (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	September 1, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Request for Meeting with Chief and Council
Danny Sayers, Chief Dean Sayers, Leeann Sayers, Kevin	September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting

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O'Donovan, Simon De Pietro, Maureen De Pietro	10, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bow Lake Project Discussion
To BNR (from Maureen DePietro)	September 30, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Requesting Information
To BNR (from Maureen DePietro, DP Energy)	November 1, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Draft Proposals for BFN
Simon DePietro, DP Energy and BNR Staff	November 15, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Bow Lake Project Discussion
From Danny Sayers, BNR Manager (to Vortex)	November 17, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Site evaluation of two wetlands in the vicinity of the Bow Lake Project. Provided the Batchewana Wetland Report.
To Dan Sayers Jr. (from Maureen De Pietro, DP Energy)	November 21, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Update on Field Exploration Agreement
To Dan Sayers Jr. (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	November 21, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Update on Field Exploration Agreement Provided signed Field Exploration Agreement
To BNR (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	November 22, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Update on Field Exploration Agreement
From BNR (to Maureen DePietro, DP Energy)	November 23, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Field Exploration Permit Issued
To BFN	November 24,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice

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(from DP Energy)	2010 Phase 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided Notice of Proposal to Engage (Phase 1 and Phase 2) as per the REA requirements.
To BFN (from Tulloch Engineering)	November 30, 2010 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Provided the Met Tower Testing Package (Phase 2), per Crown land use requirements. • Included Met towers description, locations and installations. • Potential environmental impacts noted. • Included map and site plan.
To BNR (from Simon DePietro, DP Energy)	December 2, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Consultation for REA and Class EA
To BNR (from Blair Marnie)	December 7, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Archaeology Reports for Bow Lake
To BNR (from Blair Marnie)	December 7, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Application for Temporary Anemometer Masts
To BNR (form Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	December 16, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Phase 2 Meteorological Tower Testing Report
To BNR (form Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	December 21, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Meeting Request to Review Environmental Documents
To BNR (from Maureen DePietro, DP Energy)	January 4, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Discussion of Draft Proposals with BFN
To Chief Dean Sayers (from MKI)	January 27, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email, Letter and Notice • Included draft copies of the REA reports for review and comment. • Provided Notice of the second Public Meeting (Phase 1), as per the REA requirements.
To BFN (from MKI)	January 31, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided Phase 1 REA documents, as per the REA requirements. (package arrived later - Feb 1, 2011 due to courier error)

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Danny Sayers Jr.	Phase 1	
	February 1, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • Discussed consultation activities thus far for the Project.
To BNR (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	February 8, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Discussion Related to REA Documents
Dave Sewell (BFN) and MKI- Thomas Bernacki & Nigel Ward	March 2, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site Visit • Site survey of wetland/MAFA areas with BFN members. • Reviewed area of concern. • Flagged turbine and road locations with BFN members to their satisfaction. • Addressed the concern that individuals using the territory for traditional purposes (i.e., hunting, fishing, gathering plants etc.) should be able to identify areas to be affected by the development.
Danny Sayers Jr. (BFN) and MKI- Thomas Bernacki	March 3, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Discussed the project and concerns with the community • Also discussed archaeology, consultation and compensation
To Danny Sayers Jr. (from MKI)	March 14, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email Letter • Provided summary of meetings/site visit with members of BFN on March 2 & 3, 2011
To BFN (from MKI)	March 25, 2011 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter and Notice • Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting for Phase 2. • Provided all draft REA documents, as per the REA requirement.
To BFN	April 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Notified of public meetings for Bow Lake Project and requested BFN to attend.
To Chief Dean Sayers (from Tulloch)	June 10, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Provided the Aggregate licence application (Phase 1 and 2), as per Crown land use requirements. • Included Notice of Application and Public Information Session, Natural Environment Level 1 Report, Groundwater Summary Statement and Stage 1 Cultural Heritage Report.
To BNR (from Simon DePietro, DP Energy)	August 17, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Cultural Heritage Report – Questions for BNR Response
To BNR (from Maureen)	August 25,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email

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DePietro, DP Energy)	2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on Meeting with BluEarth
Chief Dean Sayers and Staff	Sept 12, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Meeting with Chief Sayers and staff to introduce BluEarth Renewables Inc. as part of the development team for the Project
From Cathy Connor (to Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	September 23, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Request for Information from Vortex
To BNR (from Simon DePietro, DP Energy)	September 28, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Draft Text for Cultural Heritage Report
To BNR (from Simon DePietro, DP Energy)	September 30, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Draft Text for Cultural Heritage Report
To BNR (from Simon DePietro, DP Energy)	October 4, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Final Text for Cultural Report
BFN	21 November 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Engagement Session – Goulais Reserve Open House – Poster Board Display Project Presentation
BFN	22 November 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Engagement Session – Batchewana Bay Reserve Open House – Poster Board Display Project Presentation
BFN	23 November 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Engagement Session – Rankin Reserve Open House – Poster Board Display Project Presentation
BFN	16 January, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Engagement Session – Goulais Reserve
BFN	17 January 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Engagement Session – Rankin Reserve
To Chief Dean Sayers	July 30, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting. Advised that this is a re-issuing of the Notice of a Proposal to Engage and Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project (Phase 1 and Phase 2) and a new Draft Project Description Report has been prepared (attached).

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided brief description of project. • Indicated that the Aboriginal community has been included on the Project's consultation list.
To Chief Dean Sayers	October 9, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter and Notice • Provided Notice of Final Public Meeting. • Noted that as required under O. Reg. 359/09, drafts of all reports required as part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application for the Project have been made available for public review for a period of at least 60-days prior to the Final Public Meeting. • Provided scheduled date of the final public meeting. • Requested the Aboriginal community provide any information that should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents.
BFN, MFN, MOE, MNR, Proponent	October 12, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Meeting took place at MNR Sault St. Marie District Office with MFN, BFN, MNR, MOE, and Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. • First Nation to First Nation discussion between BFN and MFN • Project Update was Provided • Discussion of historical engagement with MFN • MFN requested a community meeting for the Project, Bow Lake Wind Farm confirmed a meeting was offered previously and was willing to coordinate a meeting in the near future • BFN and MFN agree to hold additional Nation to Nation discussions.
To Chief Dean Sayers	November 28, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Follow up to letter sent October 9th, with Final Public Meeting Notice and REA Reports. • Advised that the Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. • Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. • Requested comments by December 13, 2012 in order to incorporate into the draft reports.
Chiefs and Councils for MFN and BFN, and Geoff Carnegie for Nodin Kitagan	December 12, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Meeting took place on Michipicoten Reserve, Wawa. Batchewana First Nation (BFN), Michipicoten First Nation (MFN), and BluEarth on behalf of Nodin Kitagan. • A portion of the meeting focused on describing the key project elements / components, its location south of the Montreal River, upcoming second public open house, status of the REA, and reiteration of the offer to host a community information session on 18 December at the MFN community centre. • At the meeting the MFN declined the community information session until such time as Chief and Council better understood the Project – when appropriate, MFN will come back to the Project and request a community information session.

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Michipicoten First Nation (MFN)		
To Chief Buckell (from MNR)	June 27, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Proposed Applicant of Record Status for Wind Power Application documentation. • Attached maps illustrating the location of wind power applications including Bow Lake.
MFN and Vortex	2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Introduction of project • Project discussions and other issues • Follow up discussions
To Chief Joe Buckell (from Kevein O'Donovan, Vortex)	February 3, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Advised of the upcoming public meeting on 21 February 2008 for the Bow Lake Project • Offered to meet at the chief's office on 22 February 2008 to discuss the proposal to erect a monitoring mast on lands near Bow Lake.
To MFN (from Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs)	February 8, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • The Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs advised that the MFN may have an interest in the Project.
MFN and Vortex	February 23, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Provided further introduction of the developer and investigative plan.
MFN and Vortex	May 15, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation to MFN Band Council. • Provided: i) reference to the Project and its associated newsletter; and ii) details on a separate and distinct proposal to potentially develop a wind plant on MFN Reserve lands.
To MFN (from Vortex)	May 23, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newsletter • Provided project information and updates
Chief Joe Buckell & MFN Council, Vortex	May 25, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Reviewed the potential for wind plant development on MFN Reserve lands and provide an update on the Bow Lake Project. • During the meeting neither the Chief nor any Council member highlighted any interest in or concern with the Bow Lake Project.

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From MOE (to Proponent)	April 30, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advised that the MFN may have an interest in the project under the REA requirements.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from Vortex)	June 29, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter (also emailed) Introduction of Bow Lake Project – Phase 1 Invited to attend upcoming public meeting Provided Phase 1 Project Description Report (PDR), as per the REA requirements. Advised of the REA reports that will be sent within coming week for review and comment.
To Chief Joe Buckell	October 27, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone Call Provided update on the Bow Lake Project. It was noted that no interest was expressed by the chief towards the Bow Lake Project.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from DP Energy)	November 24, 2010 Phase 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal to Engage (Phase 1 and Phase 2) as per the REA requirements.
To MFN (from Tulloch Engineering)	November 30, 2010 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Provided the Met Tower Testing Package (Phase 2), per Crown land use requirements. Included Met towers description, locations and installations. Potential environmental impacts noted. Included map and site plan.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from MKI)	January 27, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email, Letter and Notice Included draft copies of the REA reports for review and comment. Provided Notice of the second Public Meeting (Phase 1), as per the REA requirements.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from MKI)	January 28, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided Phase 1 REA documents, per the REA requirements.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from MKI)	March 25, 2011 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting for Phase 2. Provided all draft REA documents, as per the REA requirement.
To MFN	April 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Notified of public meetings -and requested to attend.

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From Chief Joe Buckell (to MOE and MNR)	April 2, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Indicated that MFN has no interest in the project.
From Chief Joe Buckell (to MOE and MNR)	April 12, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Advised that MFN rescinds their letter on April 2, 2012. Issued the Project a letter of interest. Indicated MFN will contact the proponent to establish protocols for consultation.
From Chief Joe Buckell (to Kent Brown, CEO – BluEarth)	April 23, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Advised that the Project is within their Traditional Territory and requested consultation.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from Doris Dumais, Director – MOE)	April 26, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter MOE issues response to the MFN letter on 12 April 2012 thanking the MFN for advising the Ministry that the Project is within their Traditional Territory and noting the development of a consultation protocol for the Project.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	May 1, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone Call Left voicemail and advised that the message was in follow-up to the Chief's call made on April 20, 2012. It was noted that discussions were occurring with the Batchewana First Nation in an attempt to sort through some items. Indicated that a Project representative would be in touch with him.
To Carol Sanders, Band Manager (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	May 9, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone Call In follow-up to the May 1, 2012 voice message left. Looking for clarification of the change in MFN position. The Band Manager did note that Chief Buckell was out of town, but acknowledged that Vortex had an agreement with the MFN for their Reserve lands to investigate the development of a wind farm thereon, but that the Chief would need to provide his understanding around the Project. It was agreed that Vortex would contact the chief when he returned.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	May 11, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone Call In follow to the May 1, 2012 voice message to seek clarification to the change in MFN position – no definitive explanation provided by the Chief other than reiterating that the MFN believe the Project is within their Traditional Territory and thus they require consultation. Chief was to provide a copy of the 1850 Superior Robinson Treaty – the stated basis to his Traditional Territory position.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from Kevin O'Donovan, Vortex)	May 25, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone Call In follow up to the May 11, 2012 discussion.

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To Chief Joe Buckell	June 19, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BFN invitation to the MFN to attend a meeting at Toronto, following the Chiefs of Ontario meeting, to discuss their possible interests and claims to the Project area.
BFN, MFN	June 27, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting BFN and MFN meeting following the Chiefs of Ontario meeting in Toronto to again discuss MFN's potential interests in the Project area. MFN provided no explanation of what the MFN's participation might look like.
From Chief Joe Buckell	July 11, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFN letter to BFN as follow-up to the two Nations meeting on 27 June 2012, and ahead of 18 July 2012 meeting, expressing a desire to participate with the BFN in the Project.
MFN, BFN	July 18, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting With MFN and BFN and Project in Toronto to further discuss MFN specific interests in the Project and further discussion on traditional territories. BFN position is the Project is located on BFN reserve lands. Chief Buckell was to prepare letter to Chief Sayers outlining specific MFN interest in the project for BFN consideration – no such letter subsequently received.
To Chief Joe Buckell	July 30, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting. Advised that this is a re-issuing of the Notice of a Proposal to Engage and Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project (Phase 1 and Phase 2) and a new Draft Project Description Report has been prepared (attached). Provided brief description of project. Indicated that the Aboriginal community has been included on the Project's consultation list.
From Chief Joe Buckell	July 31, 2012 (Add.) Aug. 3, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Advised that the letter is in regard to the Bow Lake project and further to previous correspondence sent concerning the lack of engaged consultation for the community.

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	(Rec.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicated that they were not advised by as to the exact location of the project by the proponent, nor received any government consultation. There will be several meetings and discussions with Batchewana First Nations and BluEarth Renewables Inc. At this time there are concerns for the lack of protocol in the consultative approach by the government, and the fact that the project lies completely within the Robinson Superior Treaty area, not the Robinson Huron Treaty and with their traditional First Nations territories. Requested immediate attention to matters presented and would be content to meet for further discussion.
From Chief Joe Buckell	August 10, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Indicated concern with all activities regarding resources in the community's traditional territories and wish to advise that they are currently reviewing these matters and have contacted the Minister of Natural Resources. Until concerns have been fully addressed government to government, the community does not currently have bilateral process or agreement with Batchewana First Nation. Michipicoten First Nation cannot provide its support in these matters and is on record as such with the Ministry as well as the proponents, for lack of protocol and consultation in its traditional and treaty territories.
To Chief Joe Buckell	August 28, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Further to original letter sent on July 30, 2012, we are interested in hearing from Michipicoten First Nation about any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measure for mitigation those adverse impacts.
To Chief Joe Buckell	October 9, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Final Public Meeting. Noted that as required under O. Reg. 359/09, drafts of all reports required as part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application for the Project have been made available for public review for a period of at least 60-days prior to the Final Public Meeting. Provided scheduled date of the final public meeting. Requested the Aboriginal community provided any information that should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents.
BFN: Chief Sayers, Harvey Bell, Greg Agawa MFN: Chief Buckell, Bill	October 12, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Meeting took place at MNR Sault St. Marie District Office with MFN, BFN, MNR, MOE, and Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. First Nation to First Nation discussion between BFN and MFN Project Update was Provided

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Swanson Bow Lake Wind Farm: Scott Hossie (BluEarth), Kevin O'Donovan Vortex) MNR: Marty Blake MOE: Rod Whitlow		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of historical engagement with MFN • MFN requested a community meeting for the Project, Bow Lake Wind Farm confirmed a meeting was offered previously and was willing to coordinate a meeting in the near future. • BFN and MFN agree to hold additional Nation to Nation discussions.
To Shele Lapham, Executive Secretary	October 22, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • Contacted the MFN in order to discuss hosting a community information session for the MFN.
From MisShele Lapham, Executive Secretary (to Bryan Tripp, BluEarth)	October 23, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Indicated that the Band Hall was booked for the meeting on November 21' 2012,
To MiShele Lapham, Executive Secretary (from Bryan Tripp, BluEarth)	October 25, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Advised on community meeting plans • Advised that the preparation of the flyer for distribution with the MFN community newsletter is almost complete.
To MiShele Lapham, Executive Secretary (from Bryan Tripp, BluEarth)	November 15, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Advised that a call was received from Chief Buckell yesterday morning to inform that he was cancelling the community meeting scheduled for November 21, 2012. • It was agreed that we would reschedule the meeting in the near future. Ideally we would like to reschedule the meeting for some time before December 13 2012.

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From MiShele Lapham, Executive Secretary (to Bryan Tripp, BluEarth)	November 15, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Indicated that unfortunately, MFN cannot reschedule this meeting until direction from Chief is received. • Request will be forward to the Chief and Proponent will be notified of what date have been decided when I am informed.
To Chief Joe Buckell	November 28, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Follow up to letter sent October 9 2012, with Final Public Meeting Notice and REA Reports. • Advised the that Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. • Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. • Requested comments by December 13, 2012 in order to incorporate into the draft reports. • Proponent has rescheduled the community information session on the reserve for December 8 2012; requesting confirmation that meeting date is acceptable is requested.
To Chief Joe Buckell (from Bryan Tripp, BluEarth)	December 4, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • The Chief was called in order to reschedule the community information session that was originally set for November 21 2012, but postponed at the request of the Chief. • The Chief agreed that December 18 2012 would be a suitable date, however indicated that he would be meeting with the Batchewana First Nation (BFN) on December 12 2012. • Advised that if at the meeting a satisfactory deal could not be worked out with the BFN, then he sees no point hosting the information session on MFN reserve. • The Proponent reiterated to the Chief that the Project was willing to host the community meeting to gather MFN feedback, regardless of the outcome with the BFN. • The Chief committed to call back if he wished to cancel the new meeting date on December 18 2012.

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Chiefs and Councils for MFN and BFN, and Geoff Carnegie for Nodin Kitagan	December 12, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Meeting took place on Michipicoten Reserve, Wawa. Batchewana First Nation (BFN), Michipicoten First Nation (MFN), and BluEarth on behalf of Nodin Kitagan • A portion of the meeting focused on describing the key project elements / components, its location south of the Montreal River, upcoming second public open house, status of the REA, and reiteration of the offer to host a community information session on 18 December at the MFN community centre. • At the meeting the MFN declined the community information session until such time as Chief and Council better understood the project – when they are ready, MFN will come back to the project and request a community information session.
Chapleau Ojibway First Nation (COFN)		
To COFN	June 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Formal REA notification
To Chief Anita Stephens (from Vortex)	June 29, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter (also emailed) • Introduction of Bow Lake Project – Phase 1 • Invited to attend upcoming public meeting • Provided Phase 1 Project Description Report (PDR), as per the REA requirements. • Advised of the REA reports that will be sent within coming week for review and comment.
To COFN (from Vortex)	June 29, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • Left voicemail, providing introduction to Bow Lake Project - Phase 1 • Invitation to Public Meeting • Advised of attempt to email letter and Project Description Report
To Chief Stephens	November 4, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Follow up in regards to formal correspondence sent in June, and request confirmation of receipt.
To COFN (from Vortex)	November 4, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • Left voicemail, indicated an email was attempted • Requested confirmation of receipt of Letter, Notice and PDR sent in June

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To Allison , Assistant to Chief Stevens (from Vortex)	November 16, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • Request for confirmation of receipt of Letter, Notice and PDR sent in June
To Allison , Assistant to Chief Stevens (from Vortex)	November 16, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • Confirmed receipt project information as well as correspondence and emails. • Confirmed Chief had been provided with the Project information and indicated the Chief would respond if there were any comments.
To COFN (from DP Energy)	November 24, 2010 Phase 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter and Notice • Provided Notice of Proposal to Engage (Phase 1 and Phase 2) as per the REA requirements.
To COFN (from Tulloch)	November 30, 2010 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Provided the Met Tower Testing Package (Phase 2), per Crown land use requirements. • Included Met towers description, locations and installations. • Potential environmental impacts noted. • Included map and site plan.
To COFN (from Vortex)	December 2, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • Left voicemail, follow up in regards to call in November.
To COFN (from Vortex)	December 14, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • Left voicemail, follow up in regards to call in November.
To Chief Anita Stephens (from MKI)	January 27, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email, Letter and Notice • Included draft copies of the REA reports for review and comment. • Provided Notice of the second Public Meeting (Phase 1), as per the REA requirements.

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To COFN (from MKI)	January 31, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided Phase 1 REA documents, as per the REA requirements.
To COFN (from MKI)	March 25, 2011 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter and Notice • Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting for Phase 2. • Provided all draft REA documents, as per the REA requirement.
To COFN	April 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Notified of public meetings and requested to attend.
To Chief Anita Stephens from Tulloch)	June 10, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Provided the Aggregate licence application (Phase 1 and 2), as per Crown land use requirements. • Included Notice of Application and Public Information Session, Natural Environment Level 1 Report, Groundwater Summary Statement and Stage 1 Cultural Heritage Report.
To Chief Anita Stephens	July 30, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter and Notice • Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting. • Advised that this is a re-issuing of the Notice of a Proposal to Engage and Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project (Phase 1 and Phase 2) and a new Draft Project Description Report has been prepared (attached). • Provided brief description of project. • Indicated that the Aboriginal community has been included on the Project's consultation list.
To Chief Anita Stephens	October 9, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter and Notice • Provided Notice of Final Public Meeting. • Noted that as required under O. Reg. 359/09, drafts of all reports required as part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application for the Project have been made available for public review for a period of at least 60-days prior to the Final Public Meeting. • Provided scheduled date of the final public meeting. • Requested the Aboriginal community provided any information that should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents.

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To Chief Anita Stephens	November 28, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Follow up to letter sent October 9th, with Final Public Meeting Notice and REA Reports. Advised the that Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Requested comments by December 13, 2012 in order to incorporate into the draft reports.
To Chief Anita Stephens (from Bryan Tripp, BluEarth)	December 4, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone Call To follow up on letter sent November 28. Left a voicemail for the Chief indicating that the project team was looking to discuss the Bow Lake Wind Farm project with the Chapleau Ojibway in order to gather feedback as part of FN engagement activities for the REA approval process. Proponent offered to arrange a meeting in Wawa on December 18 with Chief and council to further discuss the project if such a meeting was desired. Requested that the Chief call back to discuss the project and the potential meeting.
To Chief Anita Stephens	January 15, 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Notified of upcoming submission of REA application for the Bow Lake Project Requested any comments and relevant information on the Project reports by January 23, 2013.
To Chief Sayers (from MNR)	June 29, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Proposed Applicant of Record Status for Wind Power Application documentation. Attached maps illustrating the location of wind power applications.
To Chief Lyle Sayers (from Vortex)	June 29, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter (also emailed) Introduction of Bow Lake Project – Phase 1 Invited to attend upcoming public meeting Provided Phase 1 Project Description Report (PDR), as per the REA requirements. Advised of the REA reports that will be sent within coming week for review and comment.
To Chief Sayers	November 4,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email

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(from Vortex)	2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up in regards to formal correspondence sent in June, and request confirmation of receipt.
To Tyana, Assistant to Chief (from Vortex)	November 17, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone Call Request for confirmation of receipt of forwarded email of letter to Chief in June
To Tyana, Assistant to Chief (from Vortex)	November 17, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Re-sent email with request for confirmation of receipt of Letter, Notice and PDR sent in June
From Tyana, Assistant to Chief (to Vortex)	November 17, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Confirmed receipt email and that the project information would be passed to the Chief
To GRFN (from DP Energy)	November 24, 2010 Phase 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal to Engage (Phase 1 and Phase 2) as per the REA requirements.
To GRFN (from Tulloch Engineering)	November 30, 2010 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Provided the Met Tower Testing Package (Phase 2), per Crown land use requirements. Included Met towers description, locations and installations. Potential environmental impacts noted. Included map and site plan.
To GRFN (from Vortex)	December 2, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone Call Voicemail left , follow up in regards to call in November
To GRFN (from Vortex)	December 14, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone Call Voicemail left, second attempt for follow up in regards to call in November

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	Phase 1	
To Chief Lyle Sayers (from MKI)	January 27, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email, Letter and Notice Included draft copies of the REA reports for review and comment. Provided Notice of the second Public Meeting (Phase 1), as per the REA requirements.
To GRFN (from MKI)	January 28, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided Phase 1 REA documents, as per the REA requirements.
To GRFN (from MKI)	March 25, 2011 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting for Phase 2 Provided all draft REA documents, as per the REA requirement.
To GRFN	April 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Notified of public meetings and requested to attend.
To Chief Lyle Sayers (from Tulloch Engineering)	June 10, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Provided the Aggregate licence application (Phase 1 and 2), as per Crown land use requirements. Included Notice of Application and Public Information Session, Natural Environment Level 1 Report, Groundwater Summary Statement and Stage 1 Cultural Heritage Report.
From Chief Lyle Sayers (to MNR & MOE)	April 12, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Advised that Garden River First Nation has no interest in participating in the Bow Lake Project
To Chief Lyle Sayers	July 30, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting. Advised that this is a re-issuing of the Notice of a Proposal to Engage and Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project (Phase 1 and Phase 2) and a new Draft Project Description Report has been prepared (attached). Provided brief description of project.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicated that the Aboriginal community has been included on the Project's consultation list.
To Chief Lyle Sayers	October 9, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Final Public Meeting. Noted that as required under O. Reg. 359/09, drafts of all reports required as part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application for the Project have been made available for public review for a period of at least 60-days prior to the Final Public Meeting. Provided scheduled date of the final public meeting. Requested the Aboriginal community provided any information that should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents.
To Chief Lyle Sayers	November 28, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Follow up to letter sent October 9th, with Final Public Meeting Notice and REA Reports. Advised the that Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Requested comments by December 13, 2012 in order to incorporate into the draft reports.
Historic Sault Ste. Marie Métis Council (HSSMMC)		
HSSMMC, Proponent	May 31 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Proponent provided background and status update on Project MNO and HSSMMC provided background on the MNO, the HSSMMC, and Metis use of the territory. MNO provided a description of MNO initiatives related to renewable energy and economic development. MNO and HSSMMC expressed interest in understanding potential effects on bats, raptors, and Metis harvesting activities (specifically the use of herbicides).
To MNO and HSSMMC (From Proponent)	June 4 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Thanked MNO and HSSMMC for attendance at the May 31, 2010 meeting and committed to ongoing communications.
From Art Yancey Bennett, Chairperson - HSSMMC (to Simon De Pietro, DP Energy)	June 25, 2010 (letter dated 04 June 2010)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email with attached letter. MNO thanked proponent for their participation in 31 May 2010 meeting. Letter included a summary of questions and concerns raised in the meeting, including economic development,

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		potential bird and bat effects, and use of herbicides for vegetation control.
To Art Yancey Bennett, Chairperson (from Simon Di Pietro, DP Energy)	July 1, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email with attached Letter (letter dated June 27, 2010) Letter provided in response to June 25 2010 MNO letter Proponent confirmed willingness to work with the MNO on stewardship measures to enhance bat habitat, and confirmed that the Project has conducted, and will be conducting, nesting surveys related to Raptors. Proponent also confirmed that gating will not be installed throughout the Project in order to ensure public access is maintained in accordance with MNR requirements. Proponent confirmed willingness to continue to explore economic development activities related to renewable energy.
To Alden Barty (from Vortex)	June 29, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter (also emailed) Introduction of Bow Lake Project – Phase 1 Invited to attend upcoming public meeting Provided Phase 1 Project Description Report (PDR), as per the REA requirements. Advised of the REA reports that will be sent within coming week for review and comment.
From Art Yancey Bennett, Chairperson (to Simon De Pietro, DP Energy)	July 5, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter In follow up to letter sent June 27, 2010. The committee indicated they were pleased with DP Energy's willingness to work with MNO and the committee. Provided the new release of the Metis Nation of Ontario signing of a MOU with Great lakes Power Transmission.
From MNO (to Proponent)	July 5, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter (also emailed) Response to June 27 letter, MNO is pleased that proponent is willing to work with the committee. Discuss issues of access and looking forward to keeping lines of communication open.
From Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator (to Joanne Manatha-McConnell, Art Bennett Kim Powley	September 7, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Indicated the Committee received questions. Provided project information and relationship status of Proponent and the Committee in relation to the Bow Lake Project. Individually, addressed questions concerning potential animal loss and bat habitat and mortality.
To HSSMMC (from DP Energy)	November 24, 2010 Phase 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal to Engage (Phase 1 and Phase 2) as per the REA requirements.
To Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator & Art Yancey Bennett, Chairperson	November 24, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Provided project update and copies of newspaper proofs of REA Notice of Proposal for Phase 1 and Phase 2.

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(from Simon Di Pietro, DP Energy)		
To HSSMMC (from Tulloch Engineering)	November 30, 2010 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Provided the Met Tower Testing Package (Phase 2), per Crown land use requirements. • Included Met towers description, locations and installations. • Potential environmental impacts noted. • Included map and site plan.
To Kim Powley, President (from MKI)	January 27, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email, Letter and Notice • Included draft copies of the REA reports for review and comment. • Provided Notice of the second Public Meeting (Phase 1), as per the REA requirements.
To HSSMMC (from MKI)	January 28, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided Phase 1 REA documents, as per the REA requirements.
To HSSMMC (from MKI)	March 25, 2011 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter and Notice • Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting for Phase 2. • Provided all draft REA documents, as per the REA requirement.
To HSSMMC	April 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Notified of public meetings and requested to attend.
To Kim Powley, President (from Tulloch Engineering)	June 10, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Provided the Aggregate licence application (Phase 1 and 2), as per Crown land use requirements. • Included Notice of Application and Public Information Session, Natural Environment Level 1 Report, Groundwater Summary Statement and Stage 1 Cultural Heritage Report.
HSSMMC and Proponent	December 6, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Meeting took place at HSSMMC offices between Project representatives and representatives of the HSSMMC • Provided update on Project status and schedule. • Introduced BluEarth Renewables Inc. as new project partner and lead developer..

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To Kim Powley, President	July 30, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting. Advised that this is a re-issuing of the Notice of a Proposal to Engage and Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project (Phase 1 and Phase 2) and a new Draft Project Description Report has been prepared (attached). Provided brief description of project. Indicated that the Aboriginal community has been included on the Project's consultation list.
Meeting at HSSMMC Offices	July 31, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Meeting took place at HSSMMC offices between Project representatives and representatives of the HSSMMC. Provided update on Project status and schedule. Conducted site visit with MNO and HSSMMC representatives.
To Kim Powley, President	October 9, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Final Public Meeting. Noted that as required under O. Reg. 359/09, drafts of all reports required as part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application for the Project have been made available for public review for a period of at least 60-days prior to the Final Public Meeting. Provided scheduled date of the final public meeting. Requested the Aboriginal community provide any information that should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents.
To Kim Powley, President	November 28, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Follow up to letter sent October 9th, with Final Public Meeting Notice and REA Reports. Advised that the Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Requested comments by December 13, 2012 in order to incorporate into the draft reports.
HSSMC and NKLP and NKLP2	November 16, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Project and the HSSMMC (along with the MNO and the Regional Consultation Committee) execute an agreement of mutual understanding and ongoing engagement. MNO and the HSSMMC have confirmed that the Project has fulfilled any obligations in relation to engagement, consultation and accommodation with the MNO regarding the Project. The Project and the MNO have committed to

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		certain ongoing engagement and communications activities during the development, construction and operation of the Project.
Metis Nation of Ontario (MNO)		
To Steven Leffler (from MNR)	June 29, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Proposed Applicant of Record Status for Wind Power Application documentation. Attached maps illustrating the location of wind power applications.
To Karole Dumont-Beckett, Registrar-Director or Registry (from MKI)	August 11, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Inquiry as to potential interest in project Request for opportunity to consult
From Karole Dumont-Beckett, Registrar-Director or Registry (to MKI)	August 11, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Indicated that the inquiry would be forwarded to the MNO Economic Development Branch, who would be better suited to respond
MNO, Proponent	May 31 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Proponent provided background and status update on Project MNO and HSSMMC provided background on the MNO, the HSSMMC, and Metis use of the territory. MNO provided a description of MNO initiatives related to renewable energy and economic development. MNO and HSSMMC expressed interest in understanding potential effects on bats, raptors, and Metis harvesting activities (specifically the use of herbicides)
To MNO (from Vortex)	June 29, 2010 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter (also emailed) Introduction of Bow Lake Project – Phase 1 Invited to attend upcoming public meeting Provided Phase 1 Project Description Report (PDR), as per the REA requirements. Advised of the REA reports that will be sent within coming week for review and comment.
To MNO (from DP Energy)	November 24, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal to Engage (Phase 1 and Phase 2) as per the REA requirements.

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	Phase 1 & 2	
To MNO (from Tulloch Engineering)	November 30, 2010 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Provided the Met Tower Testing Package (Phase 2), per Crown land use requirements. • Included Met towers description, locations and installations. • Potential environmental impacts noted. • Included map and site plan.
To Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator (from MKI)	January 27, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email, Letter and Notice • Included draft copies of the REA reports for review and comment. • Provided Notice of the second Public Meeting (Phase 1), as per the REA requirements.
To MNO (from MKI)	January 28, 2011 Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided Phase 1 REA documents, as per the REA requirements.
To MNO (from MKI)	March 25, 2011 Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter and Notice • Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting for Phase 2 • Provided all draft REA documents, as per the REA requirement.
To MNO	April 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Notified of public meetings and requested to attend.
To Melanie Paradis (from Tulloch Engineering)	June 10, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Provided the Aggregate licence application (Phase 1 and 2), as per Crown land use requirements. • Included Notice of Application and Public Information Session, Natural Environment Level 1 Report, Groundwater Summary Statement and Stage 1 Cultural Heritage Report.
Meeting at HSSMMC Offices	06 December 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting • Meeting to place at HSSMMC offices between Project representatives and representatives of the HSSMMC . • Provided update on Project status and schedule.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduced BluEarth Renewables Inc. as new project partner and lead developer.
To Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator	July 30, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting. Advised that this is a re-issuing of the Notice of a Proposal to Engage and Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project (Phase 1 and Phase 2) and a new Draft Project Description Report has been prepared (attached). Provided brief description of project. Indicated that the Aboriginal community has been included on the Project's consultation list.
To Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator	October 9, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter and Notice Provided Notice of Final Public Meeting. Noted that as required under O. Reg. 359/09, drafts of all reports required as part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application for the Project have been made available for public review for a period of at least 60-days prior to the Final Public Meeting. Provided scheduled date of the final public meeting. Requested the Aboriginal community provided any information that should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents.
To Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator	November 28, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Follow up to letter sent October 9th, with Final Public Meeting Notice and REA Reports. Advised that the Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Requested comments by December 13, 2012 in order to incorporate into the draft reports.
MNO and NKLP and NKLP2	November 16, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Project and the MNO (along with the HSSMMC and the Regional Consultation Committee) execute an agreement of mutual understanding and ongoing engagement. MNO confirmed that the Project has fulfilled any obligations in relation to engagement, consultation and accommodation with the MNO regarding the Project. The Project and the MNO have committed to certain ongoing engagement and communications activities during the development, construction and operation of the Project.

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Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC)		
From Allison Berman (to DP Energy)	November 2, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Indicated writing on behalf of the Consultation and Accommodation Unit (CAU) of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC). As a rule, AANDC officials do not participate in environmental assessments that pertain to projects off-reserve, nor does the department track how other parties carry out their EA or consultation activities where no reserve lands or AANDC programs are involved. Therefore in future, please omit AANDC officials from your public information notification for projects that do not intersect with reserve lands or engage AANDC programs. This information has been relayed to the Ministry of Environment, and their contact list will be updated shortly. If you are contacting AANDC to request Aboriginal consultation information, please reply and I will provide it. The CAU's Consultation Information Service (CIS) has been established as a 'single window approach' to help co-ordinate departmental responses to consultation-related queries coming from federal departments and third parties. We provide information (generally within a 100 km radius of a project) related to Aboriginal groups and their asserted or established Aboriginal and/or treaty rights and claims, to the extent that these are known by AANDC. Future requests for Aboriginal consultation information from AANDC, can be submitted directly to the following mailbox: UCA-CAU@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca. To facilitate a more timely response, use the following subject heading in your e-mail: request for 'Aboriginal consultation information'.
Ontario Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs (MAA)		
From Allan Kary, Deputy Director – Policy & Relationships Branch (to MKI)	February 8, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Response to Notice of Commencement of Environmental Screening Indicated potential Aboriginal communities that would have interest in project: Ojibways of Batchewana, Michipicoten First Nation, and Objiways of Garden River. Also provided Federal contacts for claims.

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Bow Lake Wind Project
Aboriginal Comment Summary Table

Name of Correspondent (Sent/Received)	Date	Communication / Comment Summary
Ontario Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs (MAA)		
From Marc-André Millaire, Litigation Team Leader (to MKI)	June 16, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter • Confirm any open Litigation files associated with Bow Lake Lands • No active litigation files were found in the vicinity of the project

Terella, Andrea

From: CAU-UCA [<mailto:CAU-UCA@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>]

Sent: November-02-12 2:41 PM

To: BowLakeWind

Cc: Allison Berman

Subject: Aboriginal consultation information re: Bow Lake Wind Farm - Sault Ste. Marie

Hello Project Leadership,

I am writing on behalf of the Consultation and Accommodation Unit (CAU) of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC).

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Kind regards,

Allison Berman
Regional Subject Expert for Ontario
Consultation and Accommodation Unit
Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
5H- 5th Floor,
Gatineau, QC K1A 0H4
Tel: 819-934-5267

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Chief Dean Sayers
June 27, 2007

Should a company be granted the Applicant of Record status, it does not permit for Crown land alterations or improvements, and is not a form of tenure. It simply allows the company to begin the planning process required to assess the feasibility of a potential wind farm on the lands within the Applicant of Record area. If a company determines they wish to proceed to development, a comprehensive Environmental Assessment process, including further consultation will be required.

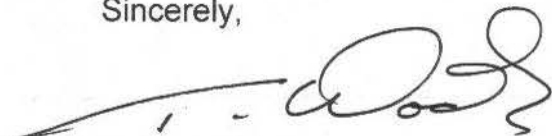
I would like to emphasize that at this time, the Ministry is proposing only to grant Applicant of Record status to these companies. Future activities by these companies on the Applicant of Record lands will require additional permits and approvals from this Ministry which will be subject to public and aboriginal consultation.

I am interested to hear from you as to what, if any effects the proposed Applicant of Record status on these lands may have on your community and its aboriginal or treaty rights. Should you wish, I can be available to meet with you and any community members to discuss your concerns.

If you would like to provide comments on any of these proposals or arrange a meeting to discuss them, a response by July 31, 2007, would be appreciated to assist us in a timely review of this proposal.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sheila Walsh, Acting District Planner in Sault Ste. Marie, (705-941-5128), or Kip Bradfield, Resource Liaison Specialist (705-941-5118).

Sincerely,



Trevor Woods
District Manager
Sault Ste. Marie District

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Enclosure: SSM District Overview Map of Wind Power Applications
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-06, 07, 08
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-12
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-14
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-17

c: Kip Bradfield, Resource Liaison Specialist, Sault Ste. Marie District
Sheila Walsh, A/District Planner, Sault Ste. Marie District

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June 29, 2007

Batchewana First Nation
Chief Dean Sayers
236 Frontenac Street
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 5K9

Dear Chief Sayers:

SUBJECT: Proposed Applicant of Record Status for Wind Power Application - Multiple Townships in Sault Ste. Marie District

The Ministry of Natural Resources, Sault Ste. Marie District, is proposing to provide Applicant of Record status to several companies for wind power applications they have submitted in townships north of Sault Ste. Marie. The table below summarizes the companies involved and the location of their respective wind applications. The attached maps also illustrate the location of these wind power applications.

In January 2007, this office provided you with notification of a proposed Applicant of Record status for another Brookfield wind power application (No. WP-2006-11) in Nicolet Township. This current letter addresses six additional applications, two of which are from Brookfield Power, three from Gilead Power, and one from Vortex Development Ltd. Refer to the accompanying overview map to see these wind application locations in broader context. Maps showing the location of each of these individual applications in more detail are also provided.

Company	Application No.	Township(s)
Brookfield Power	WP-2006-12	Labonte Tp Smilsky Tp
	WP-2006-14	Nicolet Tp Smilsky Tp
Gilead Power	WP-2006-06	Smilsky Tp
	WP-2006-07	Slater Tp
	WP-2006-08	Kincaid Tp Nicolet Tp
Vortex Development Ltd.	WP-2006-17	Smilsky Tp Peever Tp



Batchewana First Nations
Chief Dean Sayers
236 Frontenac Street
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 5K9

Date: 20th September 2007

RE: Letter of Notification to Batchewana First Nations (BFN) Community regarding the development of a small scale wind farm

Dear Chief Sayers,

Vortex Wind Power Limited (Vortex), established in 2006, is an Ontario registered company specialising in the development of wind farms in the Ontario region. The directors of the company are experienced in the development of small and large scale wind farms and have expertise in the key areas required to successfully develop wind farms. Vortex has a number of wind farm sites which they wish to develop over the next 3 years.

In particular Vortex is currently investigating the possibility of developing a wind farm site at the location shown on the attached map which is near Montreal River in the Peever and Smilsky Townships. Vortex is aware that the BFN community have strong links with this particular area and hence Vortex is sending this letter of notification to you.

Vortex Wind Power hopes that this letter will be the starting point for ongoing discussions between the BFN community and Vortex. We are available to discuss this project at any stage with you and we also have our environmental consultants MKInce available to meet with you to explain the project in more detail regarding the location and size of turbines, proposed access route, grid connection route etc., and to discuss any questions or comments you may have.

The first step in developing this project is to receive the Applicant of Record status from the MNR, this will allow us to begin investigating the suitability of the site including the erection of a monitoring mast to record the wind speeds on the site. As the MNR have already indicated granting "Applicant of Record" status does not allow us to do any significant alterations or works to the land, it simply allows Vortex to start investigating the viability of a wind farm at this location.

The wind monitoring campaign is expected to last for at least two years from the date of erecting the monitoring mast. This is required to ensure that a representative level of wind data is collected to confirm the long term wind climate at the site. Subject to receipt of the Applicant of Record from the MNR we would expect to erect the mast within 2 months weather permitting.

During the wind monitoring campaign period we would also begin the Environmental Assessment of the site. This involves detailed studies of the existing environment at the site and will incorporate at least a 1 year period of onsite studies. At this stage I can confirm that Vortex is looking to develop a small-scale wind farm which will consist of approximately 9 wind turbines and the EA is expected to be based on this size of project.

It is expected that the EA process will take at least 18 months to complete due to the need to include year round monitoring programmes as part of the EA.

As Vortex Wind Power Ltd is a small company with no local links to the Sault St Marie area we feel that there is an opportunity for the local First Nations knowledge of the area to be of significant assistance to our wind farm development work. For example, a representative from the BFN could assist the monitoring mast contractors during the erection of the wind monitoring mast. Likewise the environmental consultants will require local expertise in identifying traditional land usage in the area and sensitive habitats.

To discuss the project in more detail then please feel free to contact me as the Vortex point of contact. I am available to discuss this project at any time with the BFN and I will keep you updated on the various stages of the project as we progress.

We look forward to working with you and the BFN community as we move towards developing this wind farm.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd.
011 353 8682 11764



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Meeting Minutes – Batchewana First Nation, Vortex, M.K. Ince Re. Bow Lake Wind Project

Friday February 22nd, 2008, Batchewana First Nation Office, Sault Ste Marie

Attendees: Chief Dean Sayers Batchewana First Nation
Kim Lambert, CEO Batchewana First Nation
Greg Agawa Batchewana First Nation
Shaun Boyer, Stan McCoy Batchewana First Nation
Kevin O'Donovan Vortex Wind Power
Jacinta McNairn M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd
Catherine Taylor-Hell M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd
Rochelle Rumney M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd

Items Discussed:

- 1) Batchewana First Nation responsibility for lands
 - from Sault Ste Marie to Wawa and beyond, from Lake to 30 miles inland
 - plants, animals, water and wind, medicine, herbs and sacred places
- 2) Treaties and historical events
 - Royal Proclamation of 1763
 - Montreal Mining Company copper mine 1849
 - Robinson Huron Treaty 1850
 - Robinson Superior Treaty
- 3) Batchewana First Nation and Bow Lake project
 - Prince wind farm in traditional territory, agreements being reached with Brookfield
 - Bow Lake wind farm would need to benefit the Batchewana people and be overseen by them
 - Agreement needs to be reached with the Council, if project proceeds without Batchewana permission project will be dismantled
 - Batchewana ceremony to be held about the project
 - MOU needed between Vortex and Batchewana First Nation
 - Work Permit needed from Batchewana First Nation for collection of wind data
 - Batchewana First Nation does not recognize permits given by MNR, Crown, or Ontario government on this land
 - Wind data to be available to Batchewana First Nation if project does not proceed

- Develop agreement about benefit to Batchewana First Nation; Batchewana proposed lease payments or partnership options
- Lease payments indicated as preferred by Vortex
- Studies (bird, wildlife, etc) should be made available to Batchewana First Nation for their review
- Batchewana members have local knowledge about wildlife habitat, land use, that could benefit project investigations
- Vortex/MKI to keep Batchewana First Nation and MNR informed about communications between Vortex and each party
- Kim Lambert to prepare wind data collection Work Permit
- Batchewana First Nation has Natural Resource department, Fish and Forest management plans

4) Concerns expressed

- Impact of turbine vibration on fish in nearby lakes
- Concern about cumulative impacts of many wind projects in the area, desire to limit wind development but feeling that this project will be acceptable



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PERMIT

August 11, 2008

original in the mail

Mr. Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd
3 Ardfield Lawn,
Grange, Cork, Ireland

Permit Fee: \$1000.00

Expiration Date: August 10, 2009

Subject: Wind Power Project – Bow Lake Vicinity

Further to our discussions on February 22, 2008, at the Batchewana First Nation Office, we are pleased to have come to a mutual understanding and are providing a permit to Vortex Wind Power Ltd. to undergo the necessary data collection process consisting of the following investigative activities:

- a. Construction of an access trail to, and erection of, one meteorology tower in the vicinity of Bow Lake for the sole purpose of collecting on-site wind data for modeling and simulation purposes;
- b. Preliminary geotechnical investigations to determine soil conditions and any other activities relating to the investigation and assessment of the feasibility of the Project.
- c. Notify Batchewana First Nation of the commencement date of construction.

No further work shall proceed beyond those activities set out in this permit, without the express written consent of the Batchewana First Nation.

It is understood that both Batchewana First Nation and Vortex Wind Power Ltd. will work together to develop a mutually agreed upon relationship beneficial to both parties, to be developed in parallel with the data collection.

In the event the Wind Power Project – Bow Lake Vicinity is not feasible, the Meteorology tower will be removed and the land it occupied returned to the best environmental state.

This permit is legislated by industry standards and under the authority of Batchewana First Nation.

INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE CLAUSES

1. INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the Corporation and their employees from all actions, suits, claims and demands whatsoever which may arise directly or indirectly by reason of a requirement of this Agreement, save and except for damage caused by the negligence of the Corporation or their employees.

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- (e) products and completed operations coverage (Broad Form);
- (f) that 30 days prior notice of an alteration, cancellation or material change in policy terms which reduces coverages shall be given in writing to the Corporation;
- (g) owner's and contractor's protective coverage;

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Kim Lambert, CEO

Terella, Andrea

From: Kevin O Donovan <kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2009 6:40 PM
To: 'Dan Sayers Jr'
Subject: RE: Update.

Danny,

Thanks for taking the time to talk to me yesterday. It was a positive discussion from my point of view and I look forward to receiving your comments on potential agreements between Vortex and Batchewana for the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm project.

As discussed if you have any comments in relation to the draft ESR which you received recently then please feel free to email/ring me.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

From: Kevin O Donovan [<mailto:kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca>]
Sent: 03 April 2009 21:20
To: 'Dan Sayers Jr'
Subject: RE: Update.

Hi Danny,

I will contact you on Monday. It would be good to talk, I had left some messages with Kim but didn't actually get to speak to her.

I look forward to talking to you on Monday.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

From: Dan Sayers Jr [<mailto:dansayers@batchewana.ca>]

Sent: 03 April 2009 20:32

To: kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca

Subject: Update.

Hey Kevin, can you please contact the Natural Resources @ 705-759-0914, we have a new land permit process that I would like to talk to you about.

Miigwetch, Danny

Danny Sayers Jr.
Ka-Ka-Biinisa
BNR Coordinator
Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways
705-759-0914

Terella, Andrea

From: Kevin O Donovan <kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2009 5:57 PM
To: 'Dan Sayers Jr'
Subject: Bow Lake Wind Farm Draft ESR

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Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

Terella, Andrea

From: Kevin O Donovan <kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2009 5:23 PM
To: 'Dan Sayers Jr'
Subject: Vortex Wind Power

Hi Danny,

Further to our recent conversation I look forward to receiving your email regarding your proposal for working with Vortex on the Bow Lake project.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

Terella, Andrea

From: Kevin O Donovan <kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 4:18 PM
To: 'Dan Sayers Jr'
Cc: 'Dave Sewell'; 'Shauna Weston'; 'Kim Lambert'
Subject: RE: DRAFT, Field Exploration Agreement

Hi Danny,

Thanks for the email. I have spoken with my colleagues and they we are willing to enter into such an agreement, obviously we would like to discuss the terms etc in more detail with you. We have not made contact with you over the last few weeks because we have been focusing on the new FIT rules being launched by the OPA which will have a significant impact on all renewable energy projects in Ontario. These rules will need to be finalized before we make our next steps with our project as it will determine the viability of developing a wind farm at the Bow Lake site.

I will call you tomorrow to discuss further.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

From: Dan Sayers Jr [<mailto:dansayers@batchewana.ca>]
Sent: 11 August 2009 13:34
To: Kevin O Donovan
Cc: Dave Sewell; Shauna Weston; Kim Lambert
Subject: Re: DRAFT, Field Exploration Agreement

Aahniin Kevin,

I just wanted to send a fast email to find out how you are making out with talking to your colleagues regarding the draft MOU so that BNR can conduct the necessary field work that is needed to make an educated recommendations to Chief and Council. I would like to inform you again that this is a negotiable agreement, however the cost related to field exploration is very costly for the BNR Department. Hope to hear from you soon.

Miigwetch,
Danny Sayers Jr.
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BNR Coordinator
Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways
705-759-0914

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

From: [Kevin O Donovan](#)

To: ['Dan Sayers Jr'](#)
Cc: ['Kim Lambert'](#) ; ['Dave Sewell'](#)
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 6:03 PM
Subject: RE: DRAFT, Field Exploration Agreement

Hi Danny,

Sorry for the delay in our response, I have been away from the office for the past few weeks. I will speak to my colleagues in Vortex about this proposal and I will be in contact with you in the next few weeks and hopefully we can reach an agreement soon after.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

From: Dan Sayers Jr [<mailto:dansayers@batchewana.ca>]
Sent: 21 May 2009 20:19
To: Kevin O Donovan
Cc: Kim Lambert; Dave Sewell
Subject: Re: DRAFT, Field Exploration Agreement

Aahniin Kevin,

As per our phone conversation, BNR would like to began the next step in the BNR Land Permit process that calls for the development of a MOU so that BNR can conduct the necessary work that is needed to make an educated recommendations to Chief and Council. I have attached a DRAFT copy of the MOU for a Field Explorations Agreement. I would like to inform you again that this is a negotiable agreement, however the cost related to field exploration is very costly for the BNR Department.

If you want to change anything working in the MOU please do so in red or some other colour. BNR would like to develop a relationship with Vortex that will see both party share in the economic and environmentally benefits associated with this project.

Chi-Miigwetch, Baa-Maa-Pee-Gwaabmin

Danny Sayers Jr.
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Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

Terella, Andrea

From: Kevin O Donovan <kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2009 6:03 PM
To: 'Dan Sayers Jr'
Cc: 'Kim Lambert'; 'Dave Sewell'; 'Chief Dean Sayers'; 'Carrie Virta'
Subject: RE: telephone call with Vortex Wind Power re Bow Lake

Ok, thanks Danny, could we agree to do a call on Friday the 11th at 2.30pm your time?

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

From: Dan Sayers Jr [<mailto:dansayers@batchewana.ca>]
Sent: 09 December 2009 15:00
To: Kevin O Donovan
Cc: Kim Lambert; Dave Sewell; Chief Dean Sayers; Carrie Virta
Subject: Re: telephone call with Vortex Wind Power re Bow Lake

Aahniin Kevin,

I would like to meet with you before our Christmas Holiday to discuss Vortex Wind Power's current status and BNR's draft MOU for Field Exploration work.

Here are the available dates that I have:

- December 10, 2009, in the office from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
- December 11, 2009, in the office all day
- December 14, 2009, in the office from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm
- December 17, 2009, in the office from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon
- December 18, 2009, in the office from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

I hope these days can meet your schedule. Let me know what you think?

Miigwetch, Danny

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

From: [Kevin O Donovan](#)
To: ['Dan Sayers Jr'](#)
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2009 4:25 PM
Subject: RE: telephone call with Vortex Wind Power re Bow Lake

Sorry Danny I have a meeting which is likely to clash with 10am, would you be available later in the day, say 3-5pm your time?

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

From: Dan Sayers Jr [<mailto:dansayers@batchewana.ca>]
Sent: 08 December 2009 20:54
To: Kevin O Donovan
Cc: 'Kim Lambert'; 'Chief Dean Sayers'
Subject: Re: telephone call with Vortex Wind Power re Bow Lake

Kevin
I have a meeting in the City of Sault Ste. Marie for 12:00, can we have it at 10:00?
Danny

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

From: [Kevin O Donovan](#)
To: '[Dan Sayers Jr](#)'
Cc: '[Kim Lambert](#)'; '[Chief Dean Sayers](#)'
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2009 2:01 PM
Subject: RE: telephone call with Vortex Wind Power re Bow Lake

Danny,

Thursday morning would be fine, could we do 12.30am eastern time?

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

From: Dan Sayers Jr [<mailto:dansayers@batchewana.ca>]
Sent: 08 December 2009 16:24
To: Kevin O Donovan
Cc: Kim Lambert; Chief Dean Sayers
Subject: Re: telephone call with Vortex Wind Power re Bow Lake

Aahniin Kevin,

How does afternoon on Wednesday 9th or Thursday morning sound to you? Let me know what you think.
Danny Sayers

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

From: [Kevin O Donovan](#)

To: ['Dan Sayers Jr'](#)

Sent: Monday, December 07, 2009 4:34 PM

Subject: telephone call with Vortex Wind Power re Bow Lake

Hi Danny,

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Regards,

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Vortex Wind Power Ltd

T:011 353 8682 11764

Terella, Andrea

From: Kevin O Donovan <kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca>
Sent: Monday, December 07, 2009 4:35 PM
To: 'Dan Sayers Jr'
Subject: telephone call with Vortex Wind Power re Bow Lake

Hi Danny,

Can we agree on a time to speak this week? I would like to update you on the current status of our site and to finalise the MOU for the field explorations work.

Regards,

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T:011 353 8682 11764

Your Ref:
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29th June 2010

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CC: Dan Sayers, BFN Natural Resources Division

Attention: Chief Dean Sayers
Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm Documents Forthcoming for Your Review

Dear Chief,

As you are aware from our ongoing discussions with you and your colleagues in the Batchewana Natural Resources division over the last 3 years, we propose to develop a wind farm in the Bow Lake area near Montreal River. This project is undergoing a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, and it is a requirement of this process that detailed reports evaluating the potential impacts of this project will be made available to all interested parties in the coming months for review.

The total capacity for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1 is 20 MW, and the current REA application is for this first phase. (Phases 2a and 2b are also being proposed at 20 MW each. We will be lodging a further application for Phase 2 as soon as we can but this letter relates specifically to Phase 1.)

To comply with the formal requirements of the REA process we will be holding a public meeting in September this year, at which representatives of our company and our environmental consultants will be present to share the results of assessments performed in support of the project's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application, and address any questions or comments you may have about the project.

Since we are already in detailed discussions with Batchewana First Nation regarding this project much of this information will already have been made available to you and Council, however we would like to invite any interested members of your community to attend this event. A notice of the date and time of this public meeting will be sent to you in advance of this event.

We will be sending you the following draft assessment reports for your review within the coming weeks:

Construction Plan Report describing the nature, location, and timing of all activities associated with construction of the wind farm and associated

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infrastructure. The report also addresses potential negative effects within 300 m of such activities and mitigation measures relating to these potential effects.

Decommissioning Plan Report describing plans for the eventual decommissioning of the wind farm, including procedures for dismantling the facilities, managing excess materials and waste, and restoring any land or water negatively affected by the facility.

Design and Operations Report, including:

- a Site Plan with supporting maps, diagrams, and descriptions identifying project components and nearby residences or significant habitats, features, or properties;
- conceptual plans, specifications, and descriptions relating to the design and to the operation of the facility, including any applicable water takings and any waste or contaminants;
- an environmental effects monitoring plan setting out performance objectives with respect to potential negative environmental effects, as well as mitigation measures, a proposed monitoring program, and contingency measures in case of failure of mitigation measures; and
- a response plan indicating how the project owner/operator can be contacted, how correspondence will be recorded and addressed, and measures for providing information to the public, aboriginal communities, and planning boards about the project.

Natural Heritage Assessment and Water Assessment Reports detailing the presence of natural features including wetlands, significant wildlife habitat, lakes, streams and other water bodies within vicinity of the proposed wind farm infrastructure, and assessing any impacts of the projects on these features. The Natural Heritage Reports will also contain information on species at risk in the vicinity of the project.

Wind Turbine Specifications Report indicating make, model, name plate capacity, hub height above grade, rotation speeds and acoustic emissions data as provided by the turbine manufacturer.

Archaeological Assessment, Bird Monitoring, Bat Monitoring, Visual Impact and Radio Communication Impact Assessment Reports will also be provided.

As outlined in the Ontario Ministry of Environment's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Rules (O.Reg. 359/09), the above-listed reports will be included in the Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Application. For your reference, we have also enclosed with this letter the **Draft Bow Lake Wind Farm Project Description Report**, which will also be submitted as part of the REA Application. Further details on the required contents of these reports can be found in Table 1 of the REA Rules (O.Reg. 359/09).

Once you have received the above-listed documents, we invite you to make them available to your members. There will be a 60 period public review period in which to review these documents prior to the public meeting. Based on the assessments performed to date, no adverse impacts to aboriginal or treaty rights are anticipated from the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm.

If, having reviewed these documents, any member of your community has any additional information that you feel should be considered in the Renewable Energy Approval application, particularly with respect to adverse impacts the Bow Lake Wind Farm may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those impacts, we respectfully request that you provide this to us in writing, as well as of course through our ongoing discussions.

We look forward to discussing the Bow Lake Wind Farm with you further. As always, if you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

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Terella, Andrea

From: Kevin O'Donovan <kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca>
Sent: Thursday, September 02, 2010 10:03 AM
To: 'Leeann Sewell'
Subject: RE: Meeting with Chief and Council

Hi Leeann,

Thanks for that, however I have just looked at my schedule and I have another meeting set up in Toronto next Wednesday, so would it be possible to meet with Danny (and the Chief if he is available) on Thursday next week in your offices?

Sorry for all of the requests but it would be good to meet next week as well if possible.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan

From: Leeann Sewell [<mailto:leeann@batchewana.ca>]
Sent: 02 September 2010 14:42
To: Kevin O'Donovan
Subject: Re: Meeting with Chief and Council

Sorry Kevin, just talked to the Chief and 10am is no good for him but 12 noon is so its booked for this time. The meeting will take place at North 82 on Great Northern Road. I already called and booked the meeting room

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

From: [Kevin O'Donovan](#)
To: 'DANNY SAYERS'
Cc: 'Leeann Sewell' ; 'Mrs M. De Pietro' ; simon.depietro@dpenergy.com ; kiml@batchewana.ca ; 'Chief Dean Sayers'
Sent: Wednesday, September 01, 2010 3:07 PM
Subject: RE: Meeting with Chief and Council

Thanks Leeann,

Danny,

I have attached an initial version of our proposal to Batchewana for the development of the wind farm at Bow Lake. As discussed in more detail in the attachment we would like to meet prior to the 21st September meeting to discuss the proposal in more detail.

We look forward to hearing from you on the content of this proposal and possible dates for meeting up.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan

From: Leeann Sewell [<mailto:leeann@batchewana.ca>]
Sent: 30 August 2010 19:45
To: kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca
Cc: DANNY SAYERS
Subject: Meeting with Chief and Council

Hello Kevin, I received confirmation regarding the meeting (presentation) with Chief and Council , the date is set for Sept.21,2010 @ 7:30 p.m. at the Batchewana First Nation Office. If you can send information ahead I can email it to council to prepare for your meeting. If you need any information please contact Leeann Sayers.

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November 17, 2010

Derek Goertz
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Dear Derek:

Re: Site Evaluation for the Wetlands of Bow Lakes Wetlands

As per your request, BNR Field Technician, David Sewell has completed a site evaluation for the Two Wetlands in the vicinity of the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm within Batchewana First Nation.

I have attached Dave's report that we are hope is going to be helpful to you. We also request that you provide a copy to your employee and any other necessary agencies that are involved with this project.

Thank you very much for requesting BFN participation. If you have any questions or need more information please contact Dave Sewell or myself at 705-759-0914.

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Danny Sayers, JR. (BNR Manager)

c.c. Chief and Council
Dave Sewell (BNR Field Technician)
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BNR Site Visit and Recommendations on Two Bow Lake Wetlands

On October 26, 2010 I visited the area of the Bow Lake Wind Farms to take a look at the wetlands in that area. There are two big pieces of wetland, one to the north of Bow Lake and, one to the south of Bow Lake. There are a few smaller pieces of wetland around Negick Lake which is within the Wind Farm area. From what I seen these wetlands play an important role to the surrounding area. These wetlands are nature's way of filtering the water which the animals drink (and sometimes humans). In this area there are a lot of animals such as the moose, deer, bear, wolves, foxes, beaver and a lot of other smaller animals. There is plenty of plant life around the wetlands that animals and aquatic life use as food and others use as their homes. There are also a lot of plants that we (BFN) use for medicines. The loss of these wetlands will have on huge burden on the BFN community and the surrounding area that may have irreversible damage.

Recommendations:

- I believe that these wetlands are very valuable to the surrounding area, environment, wild life and BFN reliance on the land and resources to sustain our cultural activities.
- The Bzhki Ziibi (Montreal River) has and continues to be valuable resources to BFN community members to access, for harvest and manage our Natural Resources that include but not limited to hunting, fishing, cultural sites.
- More BFN field work is needed to provide a complete evaluation and values of these wetlands.

It is my recommendation that Batchewana First Nation should be a part of any Environmental Evaluations from the beginning stages. It is very important to have BFN participation in order to understand and/or to receive appropriate data related to direct impacts and/or values. BNR field Technician is requesting that any future work in our Territory involves our participation which includes but not limited to; covering the cost associated with providing BFN involvement. It's essential for the government, Industry, and contractors to budget for First Nation participation because it becomes costly to our First Nation departments to complete these tasks in a manner that the community will accept. Without BFN reasonable participation in future Environmental Evaluations or Environmental Impacts studies, BFN will not endorse or except the final copies of those reports.

Dave Sewell
BNR Field Technician

Terella, Andrea

From: Kevin O'Donovan <kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 22, 2010 5:20 PM
To: 'Maureen De Pietro'; 'Dan Sayers Jr'
Cc: 'Leeann Sayers'; dannysayers@hotmail.com; simon.depietro@dpenergy.com
Subject: RE: Bow Lake Field Exploration agreement
Attachments: BFN MOU signed page.JPG

Danny,

Further to Maureen's email please find the Field Exploration Agreement signed by both Maureen and me.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan

From: Maureen De Pietro [<mailto:maureen.depietro@dpenergy.com>]
Sent: 21 November 2010 16:59
To: 'Dan Sayers Jr'
Cc: 'Leeann Sayers'; 'Kevin O'Donovan'; dannysayers@hotmail.com
Subject: Bow Lake Field Exploration agreement

Dear Danny

Simon reminded me that we still haven't signed the Field Exploration Agreement. Sorry. I have signed it, scanned it and sent it to Kevin to sign and send on to you. I have corrected the name of the Co (Phase 1 in the wrong place) and as I have become the President we thought that we should both sign.

It provides for 4 quarterly payments- 1st June, September, December and March. We made a first payment in September and another is due 1 Dec so we will send 2 payments this week for 1st December which will bring us up to date. Could you please let us have an invoice and also for your legal fees and the equipment rental fee.

Best Regards

Maureen

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Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd.

Phase 2

Meteorological Towers Testing Project

Consultation Package

As Required Under Section 5.2.1.2

MNR Approvals and Permitting Requirements Document for
Renewable Energy Projects

Aboriginal Communities Circulated to:

Michipicoten First Nation

Batchewana First Nation

Garden River First Nation

Chapleau Ojibwe First Nations

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Métis Nation of Ontario

November 30, 2010



Project Description

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. Phase 2

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Introduction:

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. proposes the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 in the District of Algoma, Ontario, 80 kilometres north of Sault Ste Marie and 8 km east of Montreal River Harbour. The proposed 40 MW wind energy project will include 25 wind turbine generators and associated roads and electrical infrastructure.

The proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 would be located in the townships of Smilsky and Peever, in the District of Algoma, Ontario. The wind farm will be a Class 4 wind facility as defined in O.Reg. 359/09. The Bow Lake Wind Farm will be built primarily on Crown Land.

In support of the project two meteorological towers are proposed for erection within the Phase 2 site boundaries. The renewable energy testing project will consist of a multi section steel meteorological tower of up to 80 metres in overall height, supported by a number of guy wires. Attached to the tower will be multi level booms with anemometers and wind vanes for measuring wind speed and direction. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. No other infrastructure or structures are required for the operation of the tower. The towers will be erected to confirm wind turbine output during project commissioning and operating stages with actual wind speeds.

The Bow Lake Wind Farm project is a Green Energy project within the province of Ontario. The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Approval for Permitting Requirements Document for Renewable Energy Projects will be used for the approval of the installation of this testing equipment. Specifically Section 5.1: Testing projects on crown land where no construction of a transportation system is required.

Figure 1 shows the general location of the Bow Lake Wind Farm and the two meteorological towers.

Tower Locations and Access:

One tower will be located within Phase 2a (P2a) at UTM 687513E, 5233680N, Peever Township the other within Phase 2b (P2b) at UTM 689017E, 5228919N, Smilsky Township. See Figure 1: Bow Lake Anemometer Tower Locations; P2a, P2b. Each location will be cleared of standing tress and shrubs to ground level within a circular area of 100m radius. This will be accomplished with the use of chain saws and 4x4 “quad” bikes.

The towers are located in proximity to a system of old logging trails and good all weather surfaced roads. Access to the sites off the old logging roads will be accomplished with 4x4 “quad” trail bikes or snow machine as the weather dictates. The bikes will be used firstly to transport men and clearing equipment and subsequently the various components of the tower. This method has been used successfully in the past and does not require construction of new transportation systems. The bikes are of size and strength capabilities to maneuver off road with little damage to existing forest growth. No water crossings will be required at either location.

Method of Installation:

The installation of the tower and mounting of instrumentation will be accomplished by a field crew of approximately 4 personnel using winches and gin poles to achieve mechanical advantage and without the use of cranes. Full installation including anchors and towers is likely to take 5 days subject to weather conditions. Erection must be halted during period of high winds or lightning.

Tower Dimensions:

Constructed of steel sections the towers will be up to 80 m in height and held in position by a series of steel guy wires attached at load points out to a radius of up to 50metres. The guy wires will be attached to ground anchors designed for the specific soil or rock conditions at the point of location. The tower will be protected from lightning strikes by a lightning rod, grounding wire and earth stakes.

Timing and Duration of Operation:

The tower locations have been selected to be close to existing forest access trails so that access can be achieved for installation throughout the year either via snow sled or ATV. However, it is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is

proposed that the installation would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower.

Since the tower sites are on the same centre coordinates as proposed wind turbines the towers will be decommissioned but the site reused for the wind turbines. The towers will be disassembled and removed from the site for use elsewhere.

Operation of the Towers:

Once installed and its instrumentation satisfactorily commissioned no on site personnel are required. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. Field inspections will be conducted at regular periods (usually monthly) to inspect for evidence of damage and to re-tension guy wires as necessary.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the land clearing and installation phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the quads and chainsaws will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

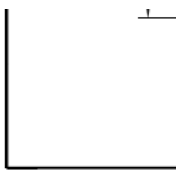
Once the towers are operational there will be regular visits made to ensure the site continues to perform as intended and is having no detrimental effect on the surrounding environment.

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Site Plan

The site plan on the following page depicts an elevation and plan view of a typical 80-metre tower installation. The tower is centered on the cleared circular area of 100m radius and secured with a system of guy wires and anchors as shown.



Endangered Species Act, 2007

Species at Risk (SAR) Review

Field Investigations:

Field investigations were completed throughout the proposed site of the Bow Lake Wind Farm development between September 27 and October 29, 2010. The assessment for the meteorological towers included the 100m radius circular area of the proposed location, as well as an additional buffer of 120m. Field investigations were performed in order to gather information on existing conditions and to specifically identify any species or habitat protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) on or within 120m of the proposed site.

Background Information:

A review of the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) database was conducted to identify any potential rare or sensitive species in the area. Records within a 1km square of both the Phase 2a (P2a) and Phase 2b (P2b) meteorological towers revealed the potential presence of Boreal Bedstraw and Braun's Holly Fern. Boreal Bedstraw is assigned a ranking of S2 (Very rare in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Braun's Holly Fern is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario).

The MNR's All Values Map and Critical Values Map were also reviewed for the Bow Lake area. The data contained within these maps is derived from the MNR's Natural Resources and Values Information System (NRVIS). No significant values including Species at Risk (SAR) were identified on these maps for the area of investigation.

Existing Environment:

It should be noted that due to the timing of the project (outside of flowering season for plants, migratory nesting season for birds, etc.), a full inventory of plants, terrestrial habitat and aquatic features could not be completed and therefore the scope of the investigation focused on general features and composition only.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2a (P2a)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple (*Acer sp.*), white birch (*Betula papyrifera*) and yellow birch (*Betula alleghaniensis*). The understory was limited and consisted of small red maple, ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Mixedwood and mainly coniferous communities appeared to be present within the lowland areas and consisted of species such as eastern white cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*), balsam fir (*Abies balsamea*), white spruce (*Picea glauca*) and occasional eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*).

There was no evidence of wildlife noted throughout the study area at the time of field investigations. A small cold water lake was noted on the outer edge of the 120m buffer west of the proposed tower location.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry (*Vaccinium ovalifolium*) was observed within the outer edge of the 120m buffer near the lake.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2b (P2b)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple, white birch and yellow birch. Coniferous species including eastern white pine, white spruce, eastern white cedar and balsam fir were noted in lowland areas. The understory consisted of small red maple, mountain maple (*Acer spicatum*), ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Patches of wild red raspberry (*Rubus idaeus ssp. melanolasius*) and common blackberry (*Rubus allegheniensis*) were also noted throughout this location.

Evidence of moose (*Alces alces*) was noted within the study area in the way of browse and tracks. Two moose were observed within a similar community east of the study area. No areas of significant aquatic habitat were noted within the study area.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry was observed northwest of the proposed tower location (within the 100m x100m boundary).

Species or Habitat Protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA):

No species or habitat that would be protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) were noted throughout the study area for either meteorological tower (Phase 2a and Phase 2b).

Oval-leaved bilberry was observed within the study area associated with the meteorological tower in Phase 2a and Phase 2b. Oval-leaved bilberry is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Although it is not considered a Species at Risk (SAR) and protected under the ESA, general mitigation will be outlined below as a best management practice (BMP) to afford protection for the species.

Environmental Impacts and Mitigation:

It is expected that a permanent loss of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground cover) will result from the clearing of land in the area directly associated with the meteorological towers (Circular area of 100m radius).

Efforts should be taken to clear only the trees and shrubs necessary to fulfill project requirements, wherever possible and to use seed mix and species common to Ontario for restorative planting if choosing to rehabilitate disturbed areas.

As oval-leaved bilberry was identified within the 100m radius area around the Phase 2b Meteorological Tower, it is expected that the species will be removed due to clearing. In order to minimize impacts to oval-leaved bilberry in this area, it is recommended that the methods outlined within the MNR's Bilberry Relocation Procedure are followed in order to transplant the species to similar habitat in the surrounding area. Oval-leaved bilberry was also identified within the 120m buffer outside of the area to be cleared for the Phase 2a Meteorological Tower. As it has been observed within the general area, it is recommended that workers are trained to identify the species. Should it be identified within the area to be cleared, the Relocation Procedure will, again, be utilized.

The clearing of trees and vegetation will also result in a loss of wildlife habitat, specifically for moose in the area of the Phase 2b meteorological tower and birds in the area of both meteorological towers. The clearing of trees and vegetation during the migratory nesting period could also result in the loss of active bird nests and young birds which is illegal under the Migratory Birds Convention Act (MBCA). In order to minimize impacts, clearing should only occur where necessary to minimize the loss of habitat as much as possible and restorative planting using native species should be done wherever possible. All clearing during the migratory bird nesting season (May 5 to August 10) should be avoided. If clearing will occur during these times, a pre-clearing check should be undertaken by a qualified individual with experience in avian nesting habits for the presence of migratory bird nests before tree removal. If a species protected under the MBCA is identified during the pre-clearing check, a permit will need to be obtained from the Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS) to allow for the nest to be destroyed. This is conditional upon the stage of the nesting birds. The MNR should also be consulted regarding the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act (FWCA), if any species are found to be nesting within the project limits during the pre-clearing check.

As no aquatic habitat was identified within the study area of either meteorological tower, there are no expected impacts to fish habitat.

Decommissioning Plan

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Decommissioning Plan

Decommissioning of Anemometer Towers:

Each of the two anemometer towers is centered on the future base of a wind turbine. It is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is proposed that the installations would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower. The decommissioning is therefore planned for 2013.

The towers will be disassembled as the development of the Phase 2 wind farm progresses. It is anticipated at the time of decommissioning the road access network associated with the wind turbines of Phase 2 will be established and the use of a small crane or boom truck will be utilized to aid in the disassembly of the two towers. The recording equipment will be removed and the masts of the towers broken down into the individual segments. These along with the guy wires and anchors will be removed from the site.

Site rehabilitation will not be necessary, as the wind turbines will require the “foot print” of the meteorological towers in their installation.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the disassembling and removal phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the equipment will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

Request for Information

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Request for Information

The proponent formally requests from your community any information available to the community that, in its opinion, should be considered in preparing a document as part of the testing project submission to the MNR, and in particular, any information the community may have about any 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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January 27, 2011

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Attention: Chief Dean Sayers

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Documents for Your Review

Dear Chief,

As you may be aware, M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd. has been contracted to undertake assessments and prepare reports required under the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) regulations (O.Reg. 359/09) for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1. We are pleased to enclose draft copies of the reports for your review.

We will be holding public meetings in April this year at which representatives of our company and the project developers will be present to further discuss the results of the studies and the reports, and the project in general. Between now and then there is a formal public review period, during which you are invited to review the reports and submit any questions or comments you have to us. Please find the formal notice of the meetings enclosed.

Following the public review period and the public meetings we will be revising the draft reports to incorporate the results of the public consultation, and preparing a formal Public Consultation report. As required by the regulation, the enclosed reports contain drafts of all the reports that will eventually be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment in the application for a Renewable Energy Approval for the wind farm, with the exception of the forthcoming Public Consultation Report. If it is agreeable to your community, we invite you to make the documents available in your community for review during the public review period.

We look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming public meetings. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

Thomas Bernacki, P.Eng.



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March 14, 2011

Danny Sayers Jr.
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Electronic Delivery

Attention: Danny Sayers Jr.
Reference: Batchewana First Nation Site Visit, March 2 and 3, 2011

Dear Danny,

Please find a summary of our meetings with the Batchewana First Nation on March 2 and 3, 2011, including a visit to the Bow Lake Phase 1 site to address concerns raised in meetings held in mid-February regarding impacts to natural heritage features.

Wednesday March 2, 2011

I (Thomas Bernacki, project manager) and Nigel Ward (biologist) of M.K. Ince and Associates, met with Dave Sewell of the Batchewana First Nation (BFN) at 8:30 AM on the morning of Wednesday, March 2, 2011, at the BFN band office in Sault Ste. Marie. Dave Sewell suggested we meet at the site at 10:00 AM in order to allow him to gather his gear and pick up his colleague Clarence, who would accompany us on the trip.

We departed immediately, and arrived on site at shortly after 10:00 AM. The weather was cold (approximately -15 C), with clear skies and effectively unlimited visibility. Dave and Clarence arrived approximately 15 minutes after our arrival. They brought us on site in their pick-up truck, through the Brookfield security gate and across the dam, to the location of the proposed northern access road. From there we snow-shoed up the access road, to the area of primary concern as raised by BFN in previous meetings, the 29m distance from the edge of the proposed road to the wetland/MAFA (Moose Aquatic Feeding Area). The location was tagged with pink marking tape at two locations. It should be noted that all along the route there was a great deal of orange tagging tape and orange spray paint on trees of various sizes and species. At least 10-12 locations were marked. No significance to the markings could be ascertained, although it was presumed it had something to do with logging activities proposed for the area. As the goals of the visit were to show first-hand the areas of concern, and mark them for future reference, it was seen that the existing markings may be confusing for future visits. As mentioned, however, the new tape that was placed was pink (as opposed to the existing orange tape) so hopefully that would make the purpose of the tape clear.

Dave noted that there would need to be significant movement of earth/stone to run the road along the route chosen, as it was not very flat in the area of concern. He felt that the road should run as far northwest as possible (i.e. away from the wetland) in order to protect the wetland from run-off, siltation, etc. Nigel and I explained in detail the proposed mitigation measures, and there was general satisfaction that they would be appropriate, however Dave was still of the opinion that the road should stay as far away from the wetland as possible. He also noted that had BFN been included in the field work process earlier this visit would have been unnecessary as the area would have already been visited by a band member.

A number of photos of the location were taken. Dave Sewell took GPS waypoints of the point of concern, and visually surveyed the area to his satisfaction. At that point he was satisfied that the main aim of the visit was achieved. It was nevertheless decided to follow the course of the proposed road up to the first turbine, to get a better sense of the overall track of that road, which comes close to a number of natural features, besides the wetland/MAFA. Turbine location 1 was visited and marked. Dave Sewell noted that he had not visited that area in his previous field expeditions (he had mostly stayed to the south end of the project area) and was glad to have visited the area. He noted that he had no problems with the design of the remainder of the northernmost features of the project that had been visited. The only concerns were, as mentioned, the proximity of the road to the wetland at the one location.

The party returned along the same route to the truck, where lunch was taken. By approximately 2 pm we had departed the site. We had returned to Sault Ste Marie by approximately 3:30 pm.

Thursday March 3, 2011

A meeting between me and Danny Sayers Jr. was arranged for 1:00 pm at the BFN band office. Danny and Dave Sewell were spending the morning in court but planned to return to the band office after lunch. Serendipitously, I encountered them at the Station Mall Food Court around 12:30 PM, and we held the meeting there, as it turned out they needed to return to court afterwards, and would not have been available for the meeting at the band office.

The main points of discussion I wished to raise were regarding the archaeological reports, and how the existing AMICK reports could be submitted (to “tick the regulatory boxes”) while adding an archaeological report satisfactory to the BFN as an accompanying report. Danny confirmed that this would be fine. The issue of starting the BFN report was discussed. Danny had been in touch with Luke Dalla Bona, but it turns out he will be out of the country until April. Danny mentioned that other archaeologists would also be satisfactory, and that it didn’t necessarily need to be Luke. He agreed to send the contact information for the archaeologists. I told him that likely Simon and Kevin together with MKI would arrange the details of the contract with the archaeologist, but that the archaeologist would of course work closely with BFN to ensure that their expectations are met.

The larger part of the discussion with Danny and Dave over lunch was with regard to the consultation process in general. They reiterated their comments from mid-February about the lack of engagement. They re-iterated the need for the developers to treat BFN as “land owners”. The request for details on payments made to the MNR was reiterated, including a detailed list of approvals, fees, etc., that would be paid. They felt that although not always practical, that if discussions are happening with the MNR that they should be invited. They felt that the BFN should be being consulted at least to the same extent as Clergue with regard to forest management, and if arrangements are being made with regard to forestry practices with Clergue, that similar arrangements should be made with BFN.

Regarding the previous day's site visit, Dave reiterated the need for early cooperation on field work, reminding us that the site visit wouldn't have been necessary had they only been included at the outset. I told him that MKI would be open to including the BFN in any forthcoming field visits that might come up this season for Phase 2, if necessary.

I told Danny and Dave that I would communicate all of our discussion to Simon and Kevin. The final request from Danny and Dave was to have a good thorough look through the REA report package together. I suggested that when we are up in April that we could sit down for a few hours if needed and go through all of the reports page by page if necessary, just to talk about the contents and purpose with them. The meeting concluded around 1:15 PM.

Sincerely,
M. K. INCE AND ASSOCIATES LTD.



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Attention: Chief Dean Sayers

June 10, 2011

Please find enclosed information for an aggregate licence application for the Radon Aggregate Pit made to the Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) under the Ontario Aggregate Resources Act.

Included in this package are:

- Form 1- Notice of Application for a Licence
- Form 2 Notice of Public Information Session
- “Complete Application” Letter from Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources
- Site Drawings
 - 1 of 4: Existing Conditions Plan
 - 2 of 4: Operation and Progressive Rehabilitation Plan
 - 3 of 4: Final Rehabilitation Plan
 - 4 of 4: Site Standards Notes
- Natural Environment Level 1 Report
- Groundwater Summary Statement
- Stage One Cultural Heritage Report

The MNR has directed this information be distributed to you for your perusal and comments.

Written comments will be accepted until July 29, 2011.

Regards,

Gary MacKay, P.Eng.
Project Manager
Tulloch Engineering



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July 30, 2012
File: 160960734

Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways
236 Frontenac Street
Rankin Reserve 15D
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 5K9

Attention: Chief Dean Sayers

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

Dear Chief Sayers,

As the Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways ("BFN") is aware, Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. (collectively "Bow Lake") are proposing to develop Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm respectively (collectively the "Project"), north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma, and within the Batchewana First Nation's territory. It is our understanding that Bow Lake and the BFN have been working closely together over the last several years to formally include the BFN as a Project partner and to ensure that the Project is designed, constructed, and operated in a manner that respects the BFN's authority and connection with the land.

Correspondence regarding the Project was originally sent to the Nation in 2008 under Ontario Regulation 116/01, and commencing in 2010 under the guidance of the Renewable Energy Approvals ("REA") regulation O. Reg. 359/09 (the "Regulation"). The Regulation has since been updated in July 2012 and the purpose of this letter is to provide the community with an update on the status of the Project.

In an effort to meet the requirements of the 2012 Regulation, going forward Bow Lake will be seeking one renewable energy approval for the entire Project. This represents a new approach and a departure from the former pursuit of separate renewable energy approvals for each Phase of the Project. There have been no material changes to the Project location or design and the Project is not being expanded beyond the original Phase 1 and Phase 2 proposals – those proposals are merely being combined into one REA Application.

Bow Lake is re-issuing the Notice of a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project ("Notice of Proposal") and the Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project to all stakeholders and Aboriginal communities, and a new Draft Project Description Report combining both phases has also been prepared (attached). Bow Lake has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. ("Stantec") to complete the appropriate natural heritage studies and to provide support in obtaining the necessary permits required for the Project.

The Regulation requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports prior to the final Public Meeting. Although we understand that Bow Lake has been working closely with your community for several years, we are respectfully requesting that the BFN provide us in writing with any new information

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Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

available within your First Nation that in your opinion should be considered by Bow Lake in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any new information the First Nation may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the draft REA reports prior to the final public meeting, we request that the First Nation provide their comments prior to September 15, 2012.

Attached to this letter is a copy of the Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting and the Draft Project Description Report for the Project.

The Notice will be published in local newspapers starting on July 31, 2012. Please let us know if:

- You would also like a copy of the Notice to be published in a newspaper within your community; and
- You agree to make a paper copy of the Draft Project Description Report available within the First Nation (if so, we will send you an additional copy to display at a location of your choice).

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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For more information please visit the project website: www.bluearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind

Respectfully,

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Attachment: Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting
Draft Project Description Report



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October 9, 2012
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Batchewana First Nation
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Attention: Chief Dean Sayers

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Chief Sayers,

We are writing to share updated information with you on the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm, located north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma.

As you are aware, Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. have finalized an agreement with the Batchewana First Nation (BFN) which will see the BFN included as economic partners in the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm. As a result of this agreement, new corporate partnerships will now develop the Bow Lake Wind Farm. Going forward Nodin Kitagan Limited Partnership and Nodin Kitagan 2 Limited Partnership, through their General Partners Shongwish Nodin Kitagan GP Corp. and Shongwish Nodin Kitagan 2 GP Corp (the "Proponent") will be developing Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm (collectively the "Project"), respectively. The English name of the Project remains the Bow Lake Wind Farm, however the BFN know and refer to the Project as *Chinodin Chigumi Nodin Kitagan*.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Attached to this letter, please find a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting and a copy of the Draft REA Report Package for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Included with this letter is a Project Summary Report which provides a summary of each REA document also attached to this letter. The Draft REA documents are being made available to the public, including your First Nation, at least 60 days before the Project's final Public Meeting (scheduled for December 13, 2012). As such, we are respectfully requesting that you provide us in writing any information available to your community that in your opinion should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the First Nation may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the REA reports, we request that you provide comments on or prior to December 13, 2012.

October 9, 2012

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Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Please let us know if:

- You would like a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting to be published in a newspaper within your community; and
- You would like us to make a paper copy of the draft REA reports and/or the Project Summary Report available within your community for public viewing (if so, we will send you a copy to display at a location of your choice). Please note that the reports will be made available on the Project website (www.blueearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind)

If you feel it would be helpful for members of the Project team to visit your community to share information about the Project, please let us know by October 19, 2012, as we would be happy to work with you to arrange an appropriate information session.

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Attention: Chief Dean Sayers

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Reminder: Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Chief Sayers,

We are writing to follow up on our letter addressed to you dated October 9th in regards to the Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package and Project Summary Report.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. In particular, any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. Included with the letter dated October 9th were the Project Summary Report and Draft REA Reports. In order for comments to be incorporated into the draft reports, comments must be received on or prior to **December 13, 2012**.

The Final Public Meeting for the Project will be held as follows:

Date: December 13, 2012

Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Place: Aweres Public School, 185 #556 Highway, RR2, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Appendix “A”

BFN Notice of Assertions



FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF BACHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

RANKIN RESERVE 15D
GOULAIS BAY RESERVE 15A
OBADJIWAN RESERVE 15E
WHITEFISH ISLAND 15

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BACHEWANA FIRST NATION

NOTICE OF ASSERTIONS

Purpose

By this Notice of Assertions the Batchewana First Nation ("BFN"), by its Chief and Council, gives formal notice to other governments, to resource users and developers, to its neighbours and to the general public of the rights and interests it asserts and will continue to assert in its original, traditional and historic territory.

BFN asserts and relies upon the Covenant Chain of mutual respect and agreements with the Crown, including The Two Row Wampum Belt which was an early treaty that First Nations and colonial settlers would each travel in their own vessels, side by side with each under their own laws, customs and ways. Like the Constitution of Canada, the Covenant Chain is "a living tree" that continues to inform our ongoing relationship with other governments. In fact, the Covenant Chain reaches all citizens who, if they accept the benefit of our agreements with the Crown, must also accept the obligations of the Crown to BFN.

Territory

Like other Ojibway in the upper Great Lakes, the Batchewana First Nation has exercised its responsibility to use, possess and protect the waters, lands and resources from time immemorial. The Creator placed our people at Bawahting (the rapids at what is now called Sault Ste. Marie) with laws and responsibilities to live in harmony with all Creation. Our elders have told us when the Creator told the crane to chose a homeland, the crane flew around and settled at Bawahting where there was an abundance of fish. The elders say that our original territory extended from the area around Bawahting and up the coast of Lake Superior as far as what is now Pukaskwa National Park, including islands in the lake, and to the north and northeast beyond the height of land. In 1849 this territory was confirmed when two government agents, Vidal and Anderson, were sent to enquire into the traditional territories of the various First Nations. BFN continues to hold and to assert rights and interests in its original territory just as it did prior to any treaty with the Crown.

Treaties

In 1850, Crown Commissioner Robinson negotiated two treaties at Sault Ste. Marie, now known as the Robinson Huron and Robinson Superior Treaties. The original territory of BFN extends into both treaty areas and BFN has rights in both treaty areas. Our rights beyond the height of land were not addressed at that time since that area was then claimed by the Hudson's Bay Company and was not part of the Province of Canada.

The Batchewana First Nation became a signatory to the Robinson Huron Treaty under its Chief Nebenegochoing. In return for the opening of extensive lands to the Province, the treaty promised BFN continued access to resources, annuity payments and continued aboriginal title to two reserves: Whitefish Island in the rapids at the Soo and the Batchewana Bay Reserve from a point west of Gros Cap to the north of Batchewana Bay, including Batchewana Island, and 10 miles (leagues) inland from the shoreline throughout. The actual survey of the Batchewana reserve did not run the proper distance back from the shoreline, leaving an outstanding treaty land entitlement that has never been fulfilled. The issue of whether the northern boundary of that reserve should have been surveyed further north than it was has never been addressed.

The survey of the Batchewana Bay Reserve was hardly complete when government agents began to acquire the reserve lands from BFN. Finally, after years of pressure, a complex arrangement was put in place by R.T. Pennefather, Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, involving BFN and two other First Nations. This would leave BFN with only the small reserve at Whitefish Island, the Batchewana Reserve to be sold for the benefit of BFN and lots of 40 acres to be granted to BFN members at Garden River. Those grants were never made because Pennefather did not negotiate with Garden River to provide for them. And while the original reserve lands were mostly sold, the issue of diminished area was never resolved and, as is common with sales of Anishinabe lands, there are problems with the prices and accounting that need to be resolved. BFN does not assert 1859 rights against Garden River, but does seek redress from Canada and Ontario.

Reserves

Canada's failure to have due regard for the interests of BFN in 1859, or even to the legality of its promises to BFN, left our membership without any land base except for islands comprising the small fishing station in the rapids. Their treaty reserve was being sold, they had no land tenure at Garden River and no other reserve lands to call their own. Over time, lands were purchased at Goulais Bay and at the Rankin location, using the First Nation's own funds. Governments did not recognize or protect BFN settlements at Batchewana Bay, at Agawa River or later at Gros Cap. In 1992, Whitefish Island itself was restored through negotiation and settlement with Canada after it was lost to BFN for nearly a century.

BFN asserts its right to an increased inventory of reserve land based on the outstanding treaty entitlement from 1849 and 1850 and the failed promises of land tenure made in 1859.

Resources

BFN maintains and asserts its rights to resources, resource-sharing and resource management within its traditional territory. These resources are fish, including the commercial fishery and management of the BFN fishery, wildlife and biosphere resource management, mines and minerals, waters and watersheds, wind and the environment.

In addition to substantive rights to manage and conserve, BFN asserts its right to be engaged about development, exploitation or proposals that will impact these resources, the environment or the rights and interests of BFN. The object of these consultations would be the "free, prior and informed consent" of BFN as provided for in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, which is consistent with the custom of BFN..

Relationships

BFN prides itself as a good neighbour to other First Nations and to other communities. While unyielding in its assertion of its rights to resources and to shared resources, BFN and its members do not seek out confrontation and do seek to avoid it whenever possible. BFN is always prepared to proceed on the basis of mutual respect to seek mutual understanding and to consider the free, prior and informed consent referred to above.

This notice of assertions will assist interested parties, and those who should be interested, in understanding BFN's position historically and in the modern political, social, economic and legal fabric. We welcome requests for further information. We also look forward to building on the many positive relationships we have enjoyed over the years.

Many of the assertions noted here have not been submitted to any court or other negotiating process to date, although other governments are well aware of them. BFN anticipates working with other governments on processes of reconciliation and reserves all rights and remedies for vindication of BFN's assertions. Everyone now has formal notice of these assertions and of the opportunity to become better informed about them. All concerned are put on notice to work with BFN in future where activities, projects, policies and developments may have an impact on BFN rights and interests.

Issues

Outstanding 1850 Treaty land entitlement and other Treaty issues

- Rights to resources, harvesting and development of resources, resource management and conservation (pre- and post- Treaty)

- Treaty annuities

- Invalidity and failure of 1859 Pennefather arrangement (protection of interests, security of land tenure, shortfall of compensation due to outstanding treaty land entitlement)

- Failure to protect and preserve BFN reserve and community lands for future generations

- Issues of compensation, land sales and accounting after 1859

- Unsold surrendered lands

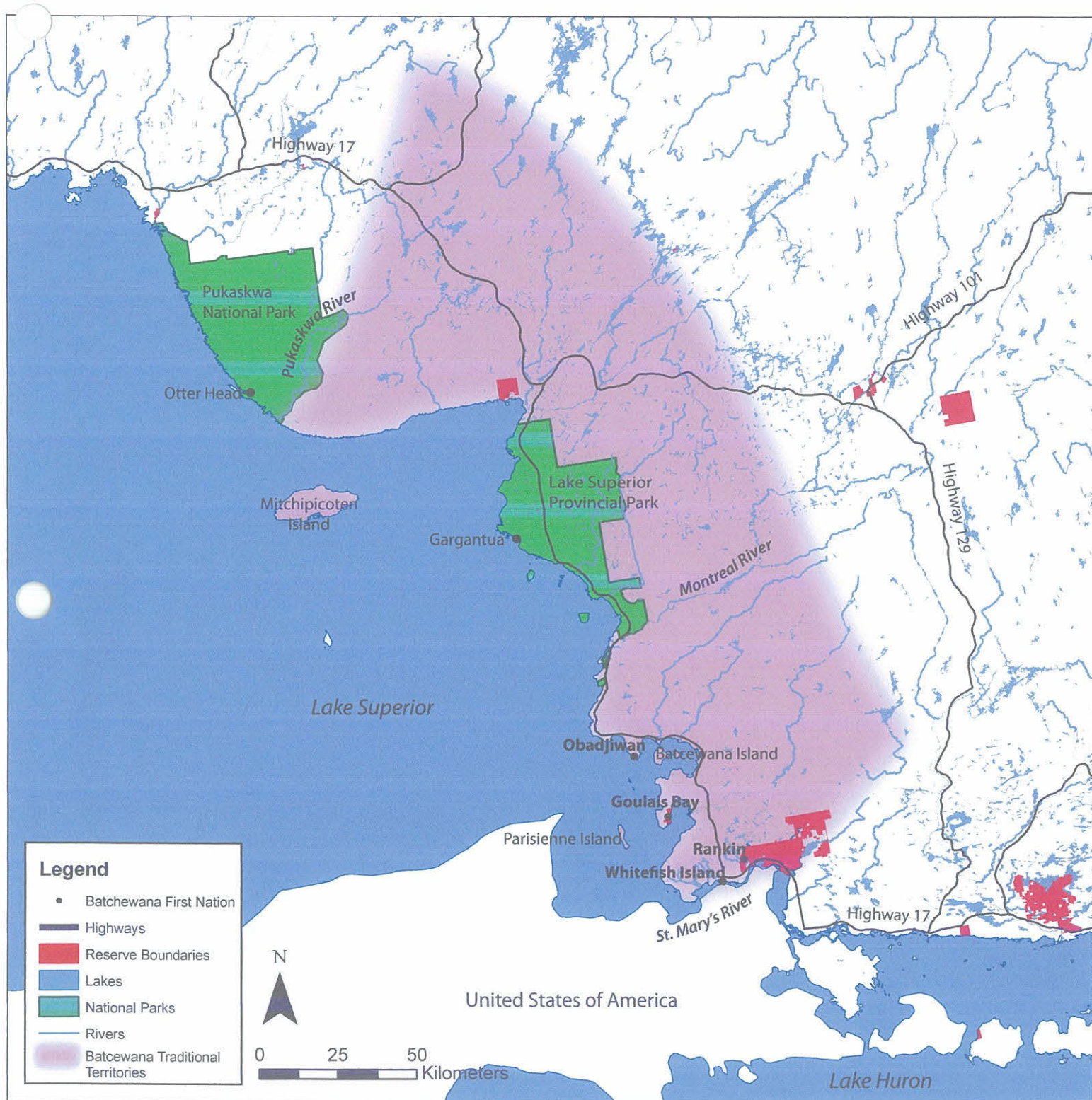
Continuing BFN rights and interests in our Original Territory
Engagement, Accommodation and Consent

This short list is not exhaustive and not overly detailed. It gives shape to BFN's assertions and to this notice. After publication of this notice, all concerned have, at a minimum, a duty to enquire and, in appropriate circumstances, there will be a duty to engage with BFN and to accommodate BFN rights and interests or to secure BFN consent. BFN will take such steps as it deems necessary to enforce those duties.

Chief and Council, and the Batchewana First Nation, look forward to your cooperation.

Appendix “B”

BFN Territory



Appendix “C”

Vidal and Anderson Map

Erwin Rand Heyserman

Limnoria affinis Walton

Don't miss it. August 18-49

Reproduced by the Batchewana First Nation - Research

Appendix “D”

BFN Test Tower Permits and Locations



BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

RANKIN RESERVE 15 D
GOULAIS BAY RESERVE 15 A
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PERMIT

August 11, 2008

original in the mail

Mr. Kevin O'Donovan
Vortex Wind Power Ltd
3 Ardfield Lawn,
Grange, Cork, Ireland

Permit Fee: \$1000.00

Expiration Date: August 10, 2009

Subject: Wind Power Project – Bow Lake Vicinity

Further to our discussions on February 22, 2008, at the Batchewana First Nation Office, we are pleased to have come to a mutual understanding and are providing a permit to Vortex Wind Power Ltd. to undergo the necessary data collection process consisting of the following investigative activities:

- a. Construction of an access trail to, and erection of, one meteorology tower in the vicinity of Bow Lake for the sole purpose of collecting on-site wind data for modeling and simulation purposes;
- b. Preliminary geotechnical investigations to determine soil conditions and any other activities relating to the investigation and assessment of the feasibility of the Project.
- c. Notify Batchewana First Nation of the commencement date of construction.

No further work shall proceed beyond those activities set out in this permit, without the express written consent of the Batchewana First Nation.

It is understood that both Batchewana First Nation and Vortex Wind Power Ltd. will work together to develop a mutually agreed upon relationship beneficial to both parties, to be developed in parallel with the data collection.

In the event the Wind Power Project – Bow Lake Vicinity is not feasible, the Meteorology tower will be removed and the land it occupied returned to the best environmental state.

This permit is legislated by industry standards and under the authority of Batchewana First Nation.

INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE CLAUSES

1. INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the Corporation and their employees from all actions, suits, claims and demands whatsoever which may arise directly or indirectly by reason of a requirement of this Agreement, save and except for damage caused by the negligence of the Corporation or their employees.

2. INSURANCE

(i) COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY

The Contractor shall, at his expense, obtain and keep in force during the term of this Agreement, *Commercial General Liability Insurance* satisfactory to the Corporation, and including the following:

- (a) a limit of liability of not less than \$5,000,000.00;
- (b) the Corporation shall be named as an additional insured;
- (c) the policy shall contain a provision for cross liability in respect of the named insureds;
- (d) non-owned automobile coverage with a limit of at least \$5,000,000.00 including contractual non-owned coverage;
- (e) products and completed operations coverage (Broad Form);
- (f) that 30 days prior notice of an alteration, cancellation or material change in policy terms which reduces coverages shall be given in writing to the Corporation;
- (g) owner's and contractor's protective coverage;

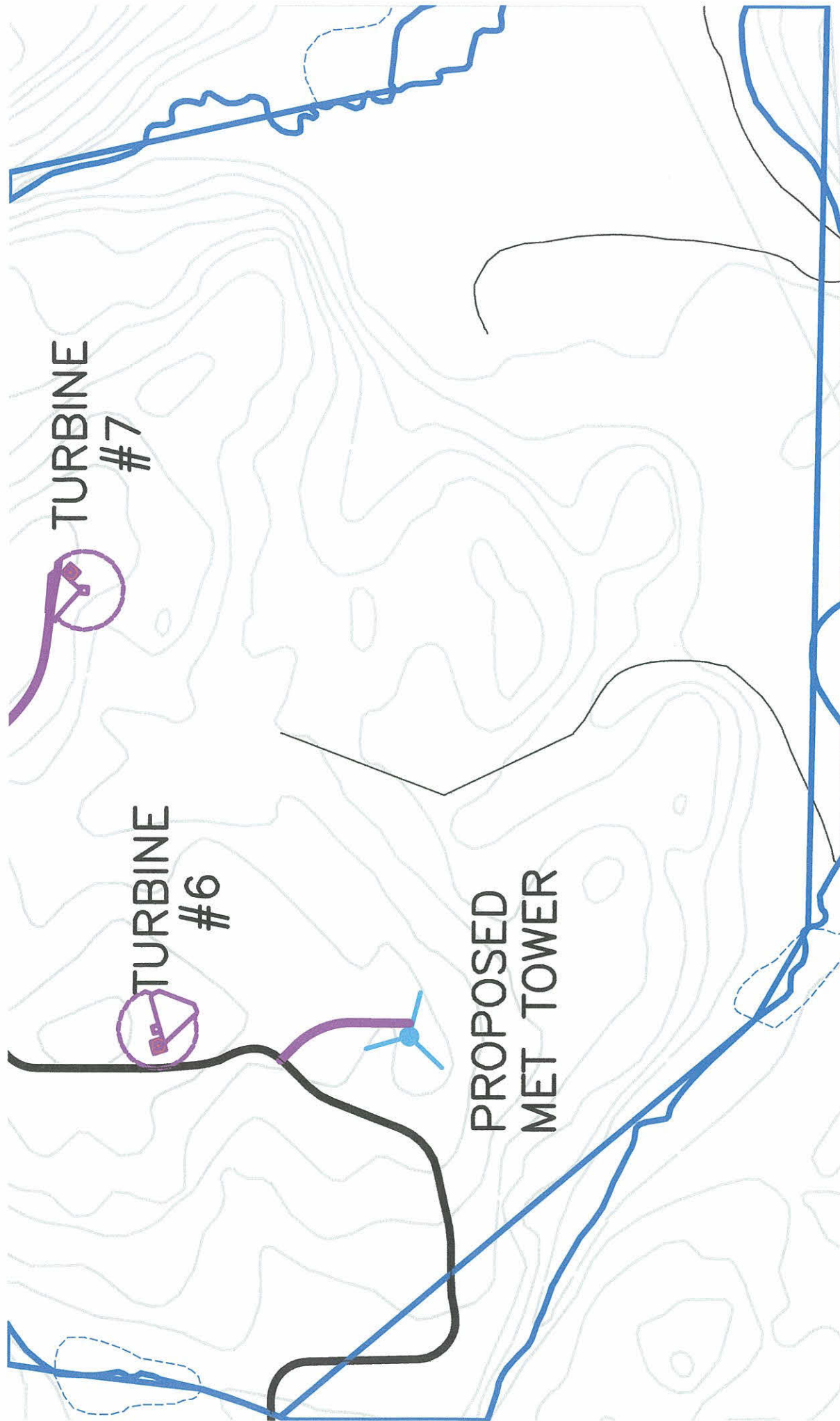
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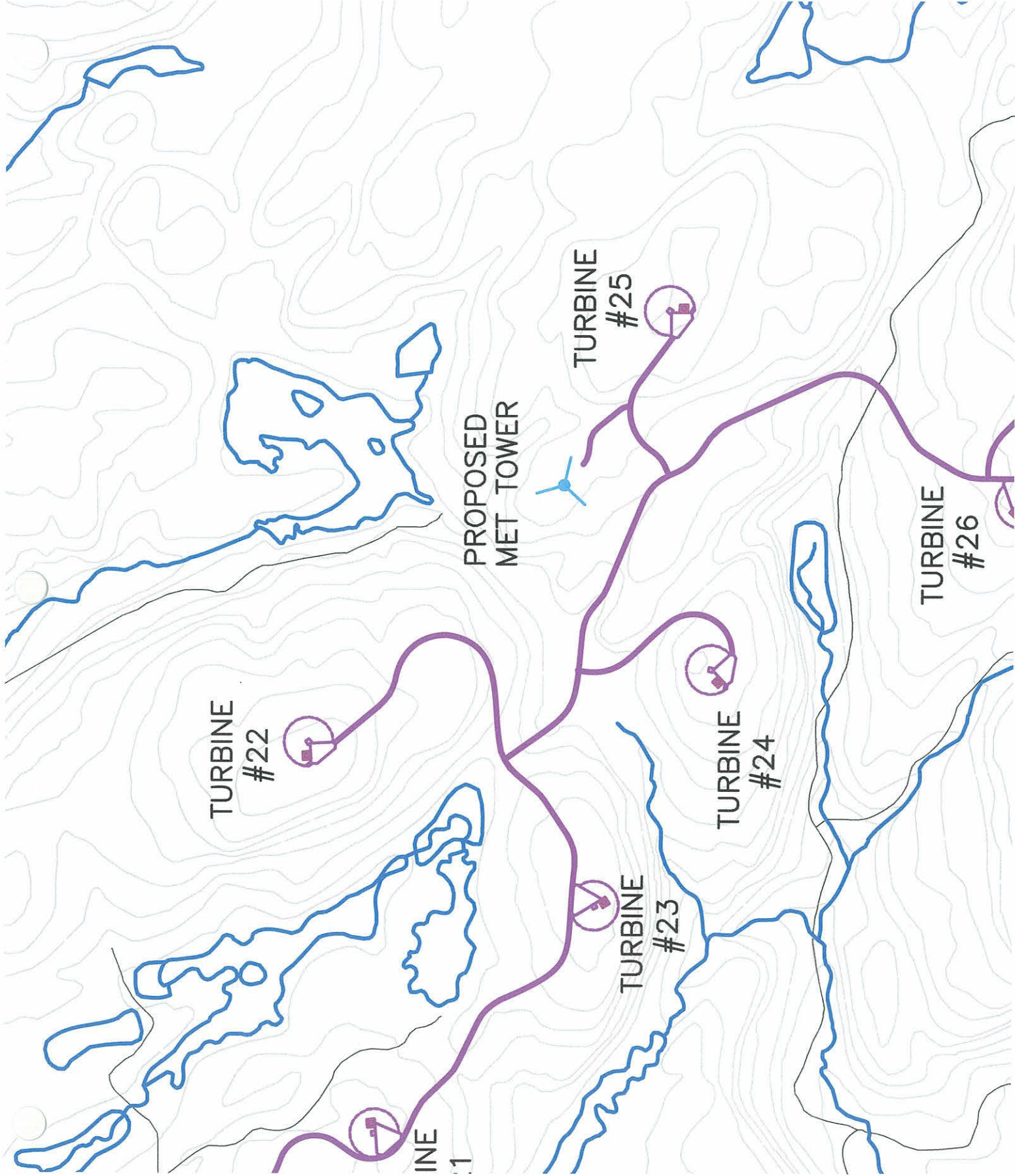
The Contractor shall obtain and keep in force for the duration of this contract, automobile insurance under a standard Automobile Policy with limits not less than \$5,000,000.00 in respect of each owned or leased licensed vehicle.

(iii) PROOF OF INSURANCE

The Contractor shall provide, together with its executed agreement, a certificate(s) of insurance of certified copy(ies) of the above-referred to policies, satisfactory to the Corporation, together with proof of renewal at least ten (10) days prior to expiry. Provided that if a certificate is provided, all requirements as above set forth must be shown on the said certificate and notwithstanding the provision of any certificate, the Corporation may require that the Contractor provide a certified copy of the policy, if required.


Kim Lambert, CEO





Appendix “E”

**BFN Field Exploration Agreements
2010 – 2011
2011 - 2012**

2011 to 2012 BNR FIELD EXPLORATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

**Bow Lake Phase I Wind Farm Ltd. and
Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd.**
Two corporations incorporated under
The laws of the Province of Ontario

(Hereinafter referred to as "BLWF")

OF THE FIRST PART

- And -

BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION NATURAL RESOURCES,
(Hereinafter referred to as "BNR")

-and-

BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS
(Hereinafter referred to as "BFN")

OF THE SECOND PART

WHEREAS BWFL wishes to obtain the necessary Batchewana First Nation and governmental approvals for wind development activities to be carried on Batchewana First Nation's Territories (the "Lands" or "Territories") known as Bow Lake Wind Farm (the "Project");

AND WHEREAS BFN and BLWF desire that safeguards and protocols be established to guide the relationship between BFN and BLWF during completion of its development activities related to the permitting of BLWF's wind project;

AND WHEREAS BLWF agrees to provide funding to support the monitoring activities of the BNR and to assist in obtaining information necessary to guide the development process;

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES that in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1.0 BLWF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

1.1 BLWF will provide financial assistance to BNR for support services provided by BNR Field Technicians. Such services will be related to the Bow Lake Wind Project and are to be determined by BWFL, in consultation with BNR.

1.2 Supervision of all BNR Field Technicians remains under BFN.

2.0 TERM OF SUPPORT

- 2.1 The term of the support shall be for an initial period of 12 months, commencing June 1, 2011 and ending June 1, 2012.

3.0 LEVEL OF SUPPORT

- 3.1 The support shall be equal to \$4,887.50 per quarter for 12 months commencing on June 1, 2011 to a maximum of \$19,550.00;
- 3.2 Payment dates: June 1, 2011, September 1, 2011, December 1, 2011, and March 1, 2012. Checks are to be mailed directly to BFN Band office payable to Batchewana First Nation; and
- 3.3 Additional services, as requested and in consultation with BFN at the rate of \$605.00 per day. Extra services; cultural ceremonies and emergency related calls.

4.0 TERM

- 4.1 The term of this Field Exploration Agreement commences on the date first noted above and expires on the anniversary of the date first noted above.

5.0 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- 5.1 BLWF represents, warrants and covenants to BFN as follows:

- 5.1.1 It is a duly incorporated and organized incorporation validly existing under the laws of BFN, Canada and Ontario;
- 5.1.2 It has the full power and authority to enter into and perform its obligations under this Field Exploration Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby;
- 5.1.3 This Field Exploration Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by BLWF and is a legal, valid and binding obligation of BLWF enforceable in accordance with its terms; and
- 5.1.4 No consent, approval or authorization of, declaration, filing or registration with, any person or entity is required to be obtained or made by BLWF in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this Field Exploration Agreement.

- 5.1.5 BLWF will at all time respect the authority of BFN Chief and Council and will respect the laws, customs and traditions of BFN in performing its obligations under this Field Exploration Agreement.
- 5.2 Batchewana represents, warrants and covenants to BLWF as follows:
- 5.2.1 BFN has the full power and authority; over BFN Territories, Natural Resources and to enter into this Field Exploration Agreement;
 - 5.2.2 This Field Exploration Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by BFN, that this Field Exploration Agreement and its signatories have been duly executed and authorized by way of a band council resolution, and is a legal, valid and binding obligation of BFN enforceable in accordance with its terms; and
 - 5.2.3 No consent, approval or authorization of, declaration, filing or registration with, any person or entity is required to be obtained or made by BFN in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this Field Exploration Agreement.
 - 5.2.4 This Field Exploration Agreement will not be considered or meet the requirement of BLWF's duty to consult with BNR and or BFN with regards to the duty to consult with BFN when carrying out work on their lands and territories and that the this legal duty to consult continues and is over and above any obligation or duties contained specifically in this Agreement.

6. FURTHER AGREEMENTS

- 6.1 For further clarification this Agreement is intended solely to allow BLWF to carry out exploration and assessment of the feasibility of proceeding with Wind farm projects on lands and territories under the jurisdiction of BNR and BFN and in no way is a consent or final endorsement to the lands and territories of BNR and BFN. It is intended by the parties and acknowledged by the parties that if the results of the work carried out under this exploration agreement are satisfactory to BNR and BFN in their sole discretion, then the parties will negotiate in good faith such further agreements as required by BNR and BFN to be in place prior to the development of the proposed Project. These further agreements include but are not limited to benefits agreements, cultural impacts agreements, and revenue agreements etc.

7. NOTICES

7.1 Any notice or other communication under or related to this Field Exploration Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered personally, by email, by facsimile, by prepaid courier service, or by prepaid registered mail, addressed as follows:

(a) In the case of Batchewana First Nation:

Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways
236 Frontenac Street
Rankin Reserve 15D, On
Batchewana Territory
P6A 5K9
Attention: Chief Dean Sayers
Facsimile: (705) 759-0914
Email: chief@batchewana.ca

(b) In the case of BLWF:

Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and
Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd.
Mill House,
Buttevant, Cork, Ireland
Attention: Maureen De Pietro, President
Facsimile: 001 353 22 23027
Email: maureen.depietro@dpenergy.com

8. ENUREMENT

8.1 This Field Exploration Agreement enures to the benefit of and is binding upon the Parties and their respective heirs, successors, administrators and assigns and is governed in all respects by the BFN policies and laws of Ontario and the laws of Canada applicable therein.

9. COUNTERPARTS

9.1 This Field Exploration Agreement may be delivered by facsimile and may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all such counterparts together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties have agreed to the Field Exploration Agreement on the date noted below.

BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS



Chief Dean Sayers
Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways

July 5/11
Date



Kim Lambert
CEO
Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways

July 5/11
Date

BOW LAKE PHASE 1 WIND FARM LTD.



Maureen De Pietro, President
Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd.

July 8 2011
Date

The parties signing this Field Exploration Agreement represent that they are familiar with, and agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement and that they are duly authorized to sign the Field Exploration Agreement and agree and intend to be bound as such.

BNR FIELD EXPLORATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd,
a corporation incorporated under
the laws of the Province of Ontario

(hereinafter referred to as "BWFL")

OF THE FIRST PART

- and -

BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION NATURAL RESOURCES,
(hereinafter referred to as "BNR")

-and-

BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS
(hereinafter referred to as "BFN")

OF THE SECOND PART

WHEREAS BWFL has obtained the necessary Batchewana First Nation and governmental approvals for certain wind testing activities to be carried on Batchewana First Nation's Territories (the "Lands" or "Traditional Territories") reference Bow Lake Wind Farm (Peever and Smilsky Townships);

AND WHEREAS BFN and BWFL desire that safeguards and protocols be established to guide the relationship between BFN and BWFL, as BWFL undertakes feasibility studies, including the construction and installation of one or more test wind towers and the collection of wind data and other information (the "Wind Testing Activities") and certain environmental assessment activities, including but not limited to, gathering baseline information as required under the *Environmental Assessment Act* (the "Environmental Assessment Activities") on the Lands;

AND WHEREAS BWFL wishes to provide explorations funds as required in the next phase of BNR Land Permit Process and to assist in build capacity within the Batchewana First Nation's Natural Resource Department (BNR);

AND WHEREAS BFN wishes to complete required protocols, is explore the possibility of entering into future agreements for the mutual benefit for BNR BWFL; to conduct site investigations, policies enforcement and monitoring required to prepare detailed technical reports and recommendations to BFN Chief and Council regarding the development of Bow Lake Wind Farm Projects;

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES that in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1.0 BNR EXPLORATION SUPPORT

- 1.1 BWFL will provide financial assistance to BNR under the following conditions;
 - 1.1.1 For support services provided by BNR Field Technicians, as required on BWFL, Bow Lake Wind Project;
 - 1.1.2 Such services will be related to the Bow Lake Wind Project and are to be determined by BWFL, in consultation with BNR;
 - 1.1.3 Supervision of all BNR Field Technicians remains under BFN;

2.0 TERM OF SUPPORT

- 2.1 The term of the support shall be for an initial period of 12 months, commencing June 1, 2010 and ending June 1, 2011.

3.0 LEVEL OF SUPPORT

- 3.1 The support shall be equal to \$4,887.50 per quarter for 12 months commencing on June 1, 2010 to a maximum of \$19,550.00.
- 3.2 Payment dates: June 1, 2010, September 1, 2010, December 1, 2010, and March 1, 2011. Cheques are to be mailed directly to BFN Band office payable to Batchewana First Nation.
- 3.3 Annual equipment rental fee of \$3,000. (Tires for work vehicle, rental fees for 4 wheeler and snow machine.)
- 3.4 Additional services, as requested and in consultation with BFN at the rate of \$605.00 per day. Extra services; cultural ceremonies and emergencies related calls.
- 3.5 Legal services for professional advice regarding this Field Exploration Agreement.

4.0 TERM AND TERMINATION

- 4.1 The term of this Field Exploration Agreement commences on the date first noted above and expires on the anniversary of the date first noted above.
- 4.2 Should BWFL not follow BFN guidelines and regulations addressed in the permit Dated August 10, 2009, for the constructions of temporary Meteorological Towers, BFN Chief and Council can revoke the permit and the Field Exploration Agreement.

5.0 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

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- 5.1.5 BWFL will at all time respect the authority of BFN Chief and Council and will respect the laws, customs and traditions of BFN in performing its obligations under this Field Exploration Agreement.

5.2 Batchewana represents, warrants and covenants to BWFL as follows:

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6. FURTHER AGREEMENTS

- 6.1 For further clarification this Agreement is intended solely to allow BWFL to carry out exploration and assessment of the feasibility of proceeding with Wind farm projects on lands and territories under the jurisdiction of BNR and BFN and in no way is a consent or final endorsement to the lands and territories of BNR and BFN. It is intended by the parties and acknowledged by the parties that if the results of the work carried out under this exploration agreement are satisfactory to BNR and BFN

in their sole discretion, then the parties will negotiate in good faith such further agreements as required by BNR and BFN to be in place prior to the development of the proposed Bow Lake Wind farm Project. These further agreements include but are not limited to benefits agreements, cultural impacts agreements, and revenue agreements etc.

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236 Frontenac Street
Rankin Reserve 15D, On
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P6A 5K9
Attention: Chief Dean Sayers
Facsimile: (705) 759-0914

(b) In the case of BWFL:

Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd.
3 Ardfield Lawn,
Grange, Cork, Ireland
Attention: Kevin O'Donovan, President
Facsimile: 001 353 8682 11764

8. ENUREMENT

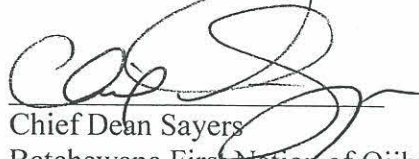
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BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS



Chief Dean Sayers
Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways

Feb 4/11
Date

Danny Sayers Jr.
Natural Resources Manager
Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways

Date

BOW LAKE PHASE 1 WIND FARM LTD.



Kevin O'Donovan, Executive Officer
Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd.

22nd November 2010
Date



Maureen De Pietro President
Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd.

22nd November 2010
Date

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Appendix “F”

BFN Site Visits and Evaluations Reports



BATCHEWANA FIRST

RANKIN RESERVE 15 D
GOULAIS BAY RESERVE 15 A
OBADJIWAN RESERVE 15 E
WHITEFISH ISLAND 15

Administration Office: 236 Frontenac Street
Rankin Reserve 15D

Batchewana Traditional Territory, ON P6A 5K9

Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Activity Reports for 2010-2011

DATE	ACTIVITY	CONDUCTED BY	NOTES
Jan. 21, 2010	Evaluation report	Dave Sewell	There is no active work happening yet in this area. All the rivers and lakes are frozen. There are a lot of moose and other animal tracks. I think that the wolves are moving the wild life around.
April 8, 2010	Evaluation report	Dave Sewell	This day was very stormy with a lot of snow and wind. All's I seen for wild life was two foxes. The bush was pretty quiet.
May 26, 2010	Evaluation report	Dave Sewell	Wetlands need special attention. Other than that the bush seemed to be pretty quiet. I saw four other vehicles, probably fishermen while I was in the bush. No wild life sightings.

August 18, 2010	Evaluation report	Dave Sewell	Wetlands need special attention. Terrain is rough and the bush floor is very dry. There are some signs of the animals moving around. I saw two other vehicles while I was in the bush.
October 21, 2010	Evaluation report	Dave Sewell	Wetlands need special attention. I did not get to walk the bush, but I did notice that there were a lot of animal tracks on the roads, but no sightings. I saw two other vehicles up in that area of the bush. (Probably moose hunters)
October 26, 2010	Evaluation report	Dave Sewell	Wetlands need special attention. There are a lot of signs that the wild life is doing fine. There are a lot of people in the bush today. I saw a cow and a calf moose on my way into the site.
November 29, 2010	Evaluation report	Dave Sewell	There is no active work happening yet in this area. A lot of snow fell last night, about three feet. There was one other set of tire tracks going into the bush but, they could not make it too far because of the snow. There are a lot of moose and other animal tracks. I think that the wolves are moving the wild life around.
December 17, 2010	Evaluation report	Dave Sewell	I did not make it into the site where the wind measuring unit is located because of a snow storm in the area.

March 2, 2011	Evaluation report	Dave Sewell	Bush is pretty quiet no signs of any animals other than small rodents.
June 28, 2011	Plant Identification	Dave Sewell and workers	Taking samples of plants and taking note of any wildlife in the area
June 29, 2011	Plant Identification	Dave Sewell and workers	Taking samples of plants and taking note of any wildlife in the area
June 30, 2011	Plant Identification	Dave Sewell and workers	Taking samples of plants and taking note of any wildlife in the area
September 1, 2011	Mark out roadways and tower sites	Dave Sewell	Walked and marked out roadways and tower sites with Tulloch surveyors
November 29, 2011	Brush out roadway and tower site	Dave Sewell and workers	Brushed out roadway from substation site on McKay to the tower site located 2km east of substation
November 30, 2011	Brush out roadway and tower site	Dave Sewell and workers	Brushed out roadway from substation site on McKay to the tower site located 2km east of substation
December 1, 2011	Brush out roadway and tower site	Dave Sewell and workers	Brushed out roadway from substation site on McKay to the tower site located 2km east of substation
December 2, 2011	Brush out roadway and tower site	Dave Sewell and workers	Brushed out roadway from substation site on McKay to the tower site located 2km east of substation
December 5, 2011	Brush out roadway and tower site	Dave Sewell and workers	Brushed out roadway from substation site on McKay to the tower site located 2km east of substation
December 6, 2011	Brush out roadway and tower site	Dave Sewell and workers	Brushed out roadway from substation site on McKay to the tower site located 2km east of substation
December 7, 2011	Brush out roadway and tower site	Dave Sewell and workers	Brushed out roadway from substation site on McKay to the tower site located 2km east of substation

December 8, 2011	Brush out roadway and tower site	Dave Sewell and workers	Brushed out roadway from substation site on McKay to the tower site located 2km east of substation
April 26, 2012	Environmental assessment on a service road	Dave Sewell and Vic Bolduc	Environmental assessment on a service road that runs from the Hogsdam road south to Hi-way 17 north



BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

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WHITEFISH ISLAND 15

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Rankin Reserve 15D

Batchewana Traditional Territory, ON P6A 5K9

Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: January 21, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: -24 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On January 21, 2010 I traveled north of Sault Ste. Marie to the Mile 67 and Montreal river area to try and find where the Bow Lake Wind Farm was located. The Mile 67 Road was not plowed so I traveled up to the Montreal River and crossed the Montreal River Dam to try and get into the Bow Lake area. The Montreal River Road was plowed all the way in to the second dam on the river, but there were no other roads open off of the Montreal River Road. I did not have a snow machine with me so I returned to the office.

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: January 21, 2010
Last inspection:

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

I never made it into the Bow Lake area because there was too much snow. I will do a site evaluation when I get into that area this spring.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

- Roadway and landings are all clear of debris (tree tops, branches, rocks, etc.)
- Minimal damage to the forest floor
- No hangers left in the cut area (all tree tops are on the ground)
- Practices safe work habits
- Road signs all in place
- Wildlife habitat is well protected
- All safety protocols are meeting BFN standards

Site Evaluation will include the following check list:

1. Insuring all BFN rules and regulations are being followed
2. Insuring Safety protocols
3. Insuring all Anishinabe cultural norms are being respected at all times
4. Pictures will be included
5. Recommendations to harvester and BFN on how to proceed with the plan (Including modifications).
 - None at this time
6. Additional request from Chief and Council
 - None at this time

ACTIVITY REPORT

BFN Traditional Territory

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RANKIN RESERVE 15 D
GOULAIS BAY RESERVE 15 A
OBADJIWAN RESERVE 15 E
WHITEFISH ISLAND 15

Administration Office: 236 Frontenac Street
Rankin Reserve 15D

Batchewana Traditional Territory, ON P6A 5K9

Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: April 8, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: +2 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On April 8, 2010 I traveled up to the Mile 67 Road and Montreal river area to do a site evaluation. I was to try and find a cabin or camp that was built on a **roadway** that Bow Lake Wind Farms wanted to use. I looked around the area that they (Bow Lake Wind Farms) indicated on the map along with travelling on all the side roads going in that direction and I never saw any camp or cabin in that area.

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: April 8, 2010
Last inspection: January 21, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

No work to report.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

- Roadway and landings are all clear of debris (tree tops, branches, rocks, etc.)
- Minimal damage to the forest floor
- No hangers left in the cut area (all tree tops are on the ground)
- Practices safe work habits
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- Wildlife habitat is well protected
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5. Recommendations to harvester and BFN on how to proceed with the plan (Including modifications).
 - None at this time
6. Additional request from Chief and Council
 - None at this time

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WHITEFISH ISLAND 15

Administration Office: 236 Frontenac Street
Rankin Reserve 15D

Batchewana Traditional Territory, ON P6A 5K9

Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: May 26, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: +17 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On May 26, 2010 I traveled north up to the Montreal River and Mile 67 area which is located in the Peever and Smilsky townships. This area is to be the future site for the Bow Lake Wind Farm owned and operated by Vortex Wind Power. I walked through the area in question which is located on the higher points of the tallest mountains. The terrain is rough but, there are large areas on the top of these hills that I believe to be the site for some of the turbines. I am not sure of the size of these turbines but, it looks like to me that there should be limited cutting of trees. I am not sure where there access roads leading to the turbines are going to be located.

Other Notes

I would like to note that there are swamps and other wetlands below these mountains that might make access to these areas a little more difficult as we do not want to disturb these wetlands because, their existence is far too important to the area.

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: May 26, 2010
Last inspection: April 8, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

No work to report.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

- Roadway and landings are all clear of debris (tree tops, branches, rocks, etc.)
- Minimal damage to the forest floor
- No hangers left in the cut area (all tree tops are on the ground)
- Practices safe work habits
- Road signs all in place
- Wildlife habitat is well protected
- All safety protocols are meeting BFN standards

Site Evaluation will include the following check list:

1. Insuring all BFN rules and regulations are being followed
2. Insuring Safety protocols
3. Insuring all Anishinabe cultural norms are being respected at all times
4. Pictures will be included
5. Recommendations to harvester and BFN on how to proceed with the plan (Including modifications).
 - None at this time
6. Additional request from Chief and Council
 - None at this time

ACTIVITY REPORT

BFN Traditional Territory

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RANKIN RESERVE 15 D
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WHITEFISH ISLAND 15

Administration Office: 236 Frontenac Street
Rankin Reserve 15D

Batchewana Traditional Territory, ON P6A 5K9

Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: August 18, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: +26 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On August 18, 2010 I travelled up to the Montreal River and Mile 67 area. This area is in the Peever and Smilsky Townships known as the Bow Lake Wind Farm area. I walked the bush area where the actual turbines are supposed to be; also I was trying to find a route where they might be able to put their access road. There are no ribbons marking any kind of area, which makes it hard to know the actual amount of land needed. It would be nice to have someone from the company walk the bush with me. At this point Bow Lake Wind Farms has not sent me any kind of coordinates to these areas except a circled area on a map. I know I am in the right area but, the right coordinates would be more accurate and would make my job a lot easier.

Other Notes

Wetlands in this area should be given special attention

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: August 18, 2010
Last inspection: May 26, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

No work to report.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

- Roadway and landings are all clear of debris (tree tops, branches, rocks, etc.)
- Minimal damage to the forest floor
- No hangers left in the cut area (all tree tops are on the ground)
- Practices safe work habits
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Site Evaluation will include the following check list:

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5. Recommendations to harvester and BFN on how to proceed with the plan (Including modifications).
 - None at this time
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 - None at this time

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BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

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Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: October 21, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: +3 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On October 21 2010 I traveled up to the Montreal River and Mile 67 area known as the Bow Lake Wind Farm Area. I was going to walk around the wetlands in this area and make recommendations to Chief and Council but I had to stop. The winds started to pick up and got stronger and stronger sending debris from the tree tops to the ground. This made it too dangerous to do any bush walking so I returned to the office. I will return at a later date to do my evaluation on the wetlands.

Other Notes

Wetlands in this area should be given special attention

Derek Goertz from Natural Resource Solutions called the BNR department and requested that the BFN do our own evaluations of the Wetlands in this area and to forward the outcome to him (Natural Resource Solutions).

Completed by: Dave Sewell

Date inspected: October 21, 2010

Last inspection: August 18, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

No work to report.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

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Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: October 26, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: +6 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On October 26, 2010 I traveled up to the Montreal River and Mile 67 area. This area is in the Peever and Smilsky townships and is marked as the Bow Lake Wind Farm area. I walked around the swamps and other wetlands doing an evaluation. This evaluation is on how important these wetlands area to the surrounding area and to the wild life and also to the BFN (Land Owners). The following is a list of environmental concerns for the Bow Lake Wind Farm area.

- These wetlands are natural filtration systems that clean the water before it goes into our rivers and lakes.
- These areas play a big part in the lives of the bigger animal such as the moose, deer, bears wolves, coyotes, foxes just to name a few.
- A lot of birds such as the eagle, owl, hawk, ravens, crows, blue jays and many more.
- They act as natural reservoirs for all kinds of smaller life such as fish, insects, amphibians, rodents and all kinds of plant life.
- The plant life serves as a source of food for a lot of the animals; they also are a source of food and medicines for not only the BFN people but the non natives as well.
- These areas continue to hold valuable resources for the BFN people for Cultural, Sustenance and Recreational purposes.

Other Notes

These wetlands have their own way of holding and releasing the water that they contain, any tempering with these wetlands may cause them to release more moisture than nature intended, causing these wetlands to dry up. The wetlands in this area should be left alone. If we have work beyond this point we should go around these swamps and not through them

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: October 26, 2010
Last inspection: October 21, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

No work to report.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

- Roadway and landings are all clear of debris (tree tops, branches, rocks, etc.)
- Minimal damage to the forest floor
- No hangers left in the cut area (all tree tops are on the ground)
- Practices safe work habits
- Road signs all in place
- Wildlife habitat is well protected
- All safety protocols are meeting BFN standards

Site Evaluation will include the following check list:

1. Insuring all BFN rules and regulations are being followed
2. Insuring Safety protocols
3. Insuring all Anishinabe cultural norms are being respected at all times
4. Pictures will be included
5. Recommendations to harvester and BFN on how to proceed with the plan (Including modifications).
 - None at this time
6. Additional request from Chief and Council
 - None at this time

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Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: November 29, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: -2 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On November 30, 2010 BNR received an email from Kevin Donovan from the company Vortex who owns the Bow Lake Wind Farm project. Kevin stated that they wanted to move a wind measuring unit from one area to a different area with the help of the BNR department. On November 30, 2010 I traveled up to the Mile 67 road to try and find this unit that Kevin was referring to. There was about three feet of snow that fell the night before which made impossible to get in to the site where that wind measuring unit was. I tried to drive through the fresh snow but, the hills were too much of a strain on the truck so I returned to the office.

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: November 29, 2010
Last inspection: October 26, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

- Roadway and landings are all clear of debris (tree tops, branches, rocks, etc.)
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Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: December 17, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: -11 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On December 17, 2010 with my truck and a snow machine on the back I tried to go up to the Bow Lake Wind Farm site to take a look at the wind measuring unit that needs to be moved to another site. Again we had another snow storm and I could only make it as far as Batchewana Bay. The road was closed from Batchewana Bay to Wawa so I had to turn around and return to the office.

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: December 17, 2010
Last inspection: November 29, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation



Visitors Evaluation


No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

- Roadway and landings are all clear of debris (tree tops, branches, rocks, etc.)
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Hi Dan

On Wed. Dec. 15, 2010 Pug and I went up Carp Lake Road to mark some trees for firewood. Everything went good this outing. We marked roughly about 30 trees.

On Friday Dec. 17, 2010 Pug and I went up to the Montreal River Wind Farm area. I tried to use the snow machine to get in to the Wind Farm site, but something broke on the snow machine on the way in to the site. It was a tire that broke so i had a hard time the steer the snow machine. I made it about half way into the site, then I had to turn around and come back to the truck. I was going there to take a look at some kind of wind measuring unit that Votex wants to move to another area. We will have to try again in the New Year

Dave Sewell

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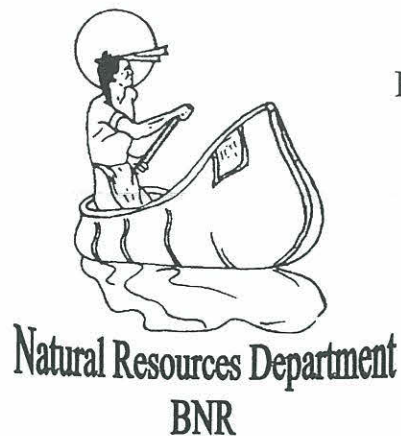
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Vortex

Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase One Field Exploration (Plant and Wildlife Inventory)

July 6, 2011

On June 28, 29, and 30th BNR conducted field work up in the Bow Lake Wind Farm areas located in the Peever and Smilsky townships. The area of concern on this field trip was the roadway leading to towers # 1 and 2 and a one hundred meter radius around the tower areas also. The purpose of this field trip was to walk the bush and flag (ribbon) the roadway and tower areas, then to take inventory of all the plants that exist within the extraction area of the roadway and towers # 1 and 2. Botanist Susan Meades and her assistant Meagan Krajchi and Clarence Boyer were working with BNR on this project. We were also to take note of any and all signs of wildlife in and around the area of the roadway and towers # 1 and 2.

BNR was also instructed to assist three men who were doing some work for Vortex in the phase 2 stage of the wind farm project. The names of the three men working for Vortex are Blair Baldwin, Ken Burrell and Brian Watson. I put Phil Swanson with these guys because Phil knows the bush up in this area. I talked to Ken Burrell and he said he was more than happy with Phil's work ethics and knowledge of the bush. Below is a review of how the three days went.

Day # 1

June 28, 2011

Vortex Wind Farm

Temperature; +12 Celsius (cloudy and rainy)

Start Time; 7:00 a.m.

Attendance: Dave Sewell, Mary Jane McCormick, Erin Robinson, Richard Virta, Scott McCabe, and Samantha McCormick

Botanist Susan Meades and her assistance and Clarence Boyer were also present

Philip Swanson worked with the guys from Vortex phase 2

- We met the guys from Vortex at the Montreal River Dam
- My key would not work to open the gate to go across the dam we had to wait for some other worker to open the gate.
- Arrived at work site at 9:30 a.m.

- Sue Meades took the gang in to the bush on the roadway that leads to towers # 1 and 2 to show them how to gather and document the plants in the areas of concern.
- I went ahead of them to mark or ribbon the trail and the tower areas.
- Sue Meades said that there was too much thunder and rain so we left the bush at 11:00 a.m.
- I got only about a third of the trail marked
- The guys from Vortex came out of the bush at that time also
- Mary Jane McCormick drove Sue Meades back to Sault Ste. Marie, the rest of us went up to the Bow Lake area to try and get as close as we could to a couple of towers with the guys from Vortex.
- The closest we could get to a tower was 2 kilometers.
- Left the job site at 3:00 p.m.
- Got home at 4:30 p.m.

Day # 2

June 29, 2011

Vortex Wind Farm

Temperature; +21 Celsius (sunny day)

Start Time; 7:00 a.m.

Attendance; Dave Sewell, Mary Jane McCormick, Erin Robinson, Richard Virta, Scott McCabe, Samantha McCormick

Sue Meades assistant Clarence Boyer was also present

Philip Swanson worked with the guys from Vortex phase 2.

- Had to wait for someone with a key to get across the Dam
- Got to the job site at 9:00 a.m.
- I walked ahead of the gang to finish marking the trail and to find tower # 1
- The gang came behind me trying to find a sample of every plant on the roadway.
- We found the spot where tower #1 is going to be located at around 12:30 p.m.
- We had a half hour lunch.
- We set up one of those recorders at the # 1 tower site to record different bird calls, we also put one near some wetlands located about a half way in to tower # 1
- We collected plants in about a 100 meter radius around tower # 1
- Elevation of tower # 1 is 1,600 FT.
- Left the bush and got to the truck at 3:30 p.m.
- Left the job site at 4:00 p.m.
- Got home at 5:30 p.m.

Other Notes

- The bush is all hardwood (70% Hard Maple and 30% Yellow Birch)
- Very little to no Evergreens
- Lots of Ground Hemlock
- No Turtles
- A lot of wildlife sign like the bear, deer, moose, wolves and foxes
- There is a lot of different birds (seen a lot of baby partridge)
- There are also Eagles around these areas (I seen two flying)

Day # 3**June 30, 2011****Vortex Wind Farm**

Temperature; +26 Celsius (sunny day)

Start Time; 7:00 a.m.

Attendance; Dave Sewell, Mary Jane McCormick, Erin Robinson, Richard Virta, Scott McCabe and Samantha McCormick

Sue Meades's assistants Meagan Krajchi and Clarence Boyer were also present

Philip Swanson worked with the guys from Vortex phase 2

- Had to wait again for someone with a key to get across the Dam
- Got to job site at 9:30 a.m.
- Walked in to the bush at 9:45 a.m.
- Richard Virta and I went ahead of the gang to finish marking out the road that leads to tower # 2, and to try and find the exact spot where the tower will be located
- I did not find the exact spot where tower # 2 will be because I did not have the UTM co-ordinates
- Meagan Krajchi along with the rest of the gang did plots all along the roadway leading to tower # 1
- When we reached tower # 1 Meagan And Clarence did more plots around the tower area
- Left the bush at 2:30 p.m. and got to the truck at 3:15 p.m.
- Did my notes and left the job site at 3:45 p.m.
- Got home at 5:30 p.m.

Other Notes

Water samples were taken from a pond near Tower # 1 and a creek coming from the pond at tower # 1. (Report attached).

Recommendations

BNR recommends that all trails and roadways leading to the towers should be marked (flagging tape). BNR should have the UTM co-ordinates for each tower so the proper work can be conducted in the proper areas in question.



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Batchewana BNR

Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: March 2, 2011
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: -15 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On March 2, 2011 Clarence Boyer and I traveled up to the Bow Lake Wind farm area to have a look at a piece of wetland that I missed when I was up there this fall (Nov. 2010). Clarence and I walk the bush to these wetlands with Tom Bernacki and their Geologist this guys 'name was Nigel. This wetland is of special concern because they (Vortex) want to put a road up in that area leading to one or more of their wind turbines. BNR's interest in this piece of wetland is to make sure that they (Vortex) are not too close to any or all of the wetlands tributaries or the wetlands main body. When we were walking the area I was taking a good look at where the road would be going and I think that the road is in the right place without coming too close to any waterways or the main wetland body that we came to look at.

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: March 2, 2011
Last inspection: December 17, 2010



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Batchewana BNR

Date: 29 November, 2011

Weather Conditions: -2 Celsius, Overcast with about 6 inches of snow on the ground

Personnel on-site: Supervisor Dave Sewell, 2 cutters with 1 labour working on the trail and 2 cutters with 1 labour working at the Tower site. Phil Swanson had his skidder and operator there also.

Safety Incidents: None

Equipment on-site: 4 chainsaws and 1 skidder

Work completed: Trimmed 1 km of trail, cleared logs and small brush

Issues/Challenges: Rough terrain at the Tower site.

Approximate number of merchantable Trees Cut: 20 to 30 trees 15 inches and bigger were cut each day. There were too many trees of the smaller size to make an accurate count.

Number of trees removed from site: Roughly 5 or 6 trees greater than 15 inch at BH (breast height) were pulled to the main road and marked as firewood.

Other Notes: The trail gets thicker (more cutting) as you get closer to the Tower site with majority of the cutting occurring closer or around the Tower site.



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Batchewana BNR

Date: 30 November, 2011

Weather Conditions: -4 Celsius, Overcast with about 6 inches of snow on the ground

Personnel on-site: Supervisor Dave Sewell, 2 cutters with 1 labour working on the trail and 2 cutters with 1 labour working at the Tower site. Phil Swanson had his skidder and operator there also.

Safety Incidents: None

Equipment on-site: 4 chainsaws and 1 skidder

Work completed: In two days we cut roughly one third of the distance on the trail leading to the Tower site, we also cleared logs and small brush. At the Tower site we have roughly 1/4 of the site cut and cleared.

Issues/Challenges: Rough terrain at the Tower site.

Approximate number of merchantable Trees Cut: 20 to 30 trees 15 inches and bigger were cut each day. There were too many trees of the smaller size to make an accurate count.

Number of trees removed from site: Roughly 5 or 6 trees greater than 15 inch at BH (breast height) were pulled to the main road and marked as firewood.

Other Notes: There is a lot more cutting and skidding to do around the Tower than I thought, but we should finish on time. Everyone is working will together.



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Batchewana BNR

Date: 1 December, 2011

Weather Conditions: -4 Celsius, Overcast with about 6 inches of snow on the ground

Personnel on-site: Supervisor Dave Sewell, 2 cutters with 1 labour working on the trail and 2 cutters with 1 labour working at the Tower site. Phil Swanson had his skidder and operator there also.

Safety Incidents: None

Equipment on-site: 4 chainsaws and 1 skidder

Work completed: In three days we cut roughly 1/2 of the distance on the trail leading to the Tower site, we also cleared logs and small brush. At the Tower site we have roughly 1/3 of the site cut and cleared.

Issues/Challenges: Rough terrain at the Tower site. Water is coming down the road on the hills and freezing making it hard to walk and, it gives the skidder difficulty getting in to the tower site. This should be of some concern because there is the equipment to be hauled in to the Tower site and these icy hills could be a problem

Approximate number of merchantable Trees Cut: 20 to 30 trees 15 inches and bigger were cut each day. There were too many trees of the smaller size to make an accurate count.

Number of trees removed from site: Roughly 5 or 6 trees greater than 15 inch at BH (breast height) were pulled to the main road and marked as firewood.

Other Notes: Need to find out about the cabin that is on the roadway, can it be moved or destroyed.



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Batchewana BNR

Date: 2 December, 2011

Weather Conditions: -6 Celsius, Overcast and snowing

Personnel on-site: Supervisor Dave Sewell, 2 cutters with 1 labour working on the trail and 2 cutters with 1 labour working at the Tower site. Phil Swanson had his skidder and operator there also.

Safety Incidents: None

Equipment on-site: 4 chainsaws and 1 skidder

Work completed: In four days we cut over 1/2 of the distance on the trail leading to the Tower site, we also cleared logs and small brush. At the Tower site we have roughly 1/2 of the site cut and cleared.

Issues/Challenges: Rough terrain at the Tower site. Water is still coming down the road on the hills and freezing. We are getting close to that cabin and there is a problem on how to get the equipment around it. There is too much rock behind the cabin and a big mud hole in front of the cabin.

Approximate number of merchantable Trees Cut: 20 to 30 trees 15 inches and bigger were cut each day. There were too many trees of the smaller size to make an accurate count.

Number of trees removed from site: Roughly 5 or 6 trees greater than 15 inch at BH (breast height) were pulled to the main road and marked as firewood.

Other Notes: Need to find out about the cabin that is on the roadway, can it be moved or destroyed.



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Batchewana BNR

Date: 5 December, 2011

Weather Conditions: -8 overcast and snowing

Personnel on-site: Supervisor Dave Sewell, 2 cutters with 1 labour working on the trail and 2 cutters with 1 labour working at the Tower site. Phil Swanson had his skidder and operator there also.

Safety Incidents: None

Equipment on-site: 4 chainsaws and 1 skidder

Work completed: In six days we cut 3/4 of the distance on the trail leading to the Tower site, we also cleared logs and small brush. At the Tower site we have roughly 3/4 of the site cut and cleared.

Issues/Challenges: Rough terrain at the Tower site. Water is still coming down the road on the hills and freezing. Again the cabin is of some concern.

Approximate number of merchantable Trees Cut: 20 to 30 trees 15 inches and bigger were cut each day. There were too many trees of the smaller size to make an accurate count.

Number of trees removed from site: Roughly 5 or 6 trees greater than 15 inch at BH (breast height) were pulled to the main road and marked as firewood.

Other Notes: Very wet day, it was snowing pretty hard. The boys said that they would stay and work for the day which kept us on schedule.



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Batchewana BNR

Date: 6 December, 2011

Weather Conditions: -17 Celsius, sunny day

Personnel on-site: Supervisor Dave Sewell, 2 cutters with 1 labour working on the trail and 2 cutters with 1 labour working at the Tower site. Phil Swanson had his skidder and operator there also.

Safety Incidents: None

Equipment on-site: 4 chainsaws and 1 skidder

Work completed: In six days we cut over 3/4 of the distance on the trail leading to the Tower site, we also cleared logs and small brush. At the Tower site we have over 3/4 of the site cut and cleared.

Issues/Challenges: Rough terrain at the Tower site. Water is still coming down the road on the hills and freezing. Again the cabin is of some concern. I had to walk all the creeks along the access road to see if they were live creeks or just runoff. The creeks along this access road do not have a source feeding them they just disappear near the top of the mountain.

Approximate number of merchantable Trees Cut: 20 to 30 trees 15 inches and bigger were cut each day. There were too many trees of the smaller size to make an accurate count.

Number of trees removed from site: Roughly 5 or 6 trees greater than 15 inch at BH (breast height) were pulled to the main road and marked as firewood.

Other Notes: The boys are moving along good, we should be near the Tower entrance sometime tomorrow.



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Batchewana BNR

Date: 7 December, 2011

Weather Conditions: -4 Celsius Overcast and snowing

Personnel on-site: Supervisor Dave Sewell, 2 cutters with 1 labour working on the trail and 2 cutters with 1 labour working at the Tower site. Phil Swanson had his skidder and operator there also.

Safety Incidents: None

Equipment on-site: 4 chainsaws and 1 skidder

Work completed: In seven days we cut well over 3/4 of the distance on the trail leading to the Tower site, we will be cutting the entrance to the Tower tomorrow. At the Tower site we have well over 3/4 of the site cut and cleared.

Issues/Challenges: Rough terrain at the Tower site. Water is still coming down the road on the hills and freezing. Again the cabin is of some concern.

Approximate number of merchantable Trees Cut: 20 to 30 trees 15 inches and bigger were cut each day. There were too many trees of the smaller size to make an accurate count.

Number of trees removed from site: Roughly 5 or 6 trees greater than 15 inch at BH (breast height) were pulled to the main road and marked as firewood.

Other Notes: The boys are moving along good, we should be finished the job tomorrow. I waited for the MNR to show up but they never came to the job site.



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Batchewana BNR

Date: 8 December, 2011

Weather Conditions: -10 Celsius Overcast and snowing

Personnel on-site: Supervisor Dave Sewell, 2 cutters with 1 labour working on the trail and 2 cutters with 1 labour working at the Tower site. Phil Swanson had his skidder and operator there also.

Safety Incidents: None

Equipment on-site: 4 chainsaws and 1 skidder

Work completed: In eight days the job is done on the trail leading to the Tower site. The entrance to the Tower site is cut and cleared. At the Tower site we have a 60 meter radius around the tower site cut and cleared. We left the job site at 1:30p.m.

Issues/Challenges: Rough terrain at the Tower site. Water is still coming down the road on the hills and freezing. Again the cabin is of some concern.

Approximate number of merchantable Trees Cut: 20 to 30 trees 15 inches and bigger were cut each day. There were too many trees of the smaller size to make an accurate count.

Number of trees removed from site: Roughly 5 or 6 trees greater than 15 inch at BH (breast height) were pulled to the main road and marked as firewood.

Other Notes: I got word from Jeff (from Blue Earth) this morning telling us not to touch cabin. I was waiting for the MNR again, but they did not show up. Terry the guy who puts up the Tower was there and so were Phil Swanson and a guy from Tulloch first name Lenny.



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Bow Lake Wind Farm

Date: April 26, 2012

Temperature: +7 Celsius (calm clear day)

Location: Slater and Smilsky Townships (Montreal River area)

Reason: To do an EA for a service road from Hi-way 17 to the McKay or Montreal River Road

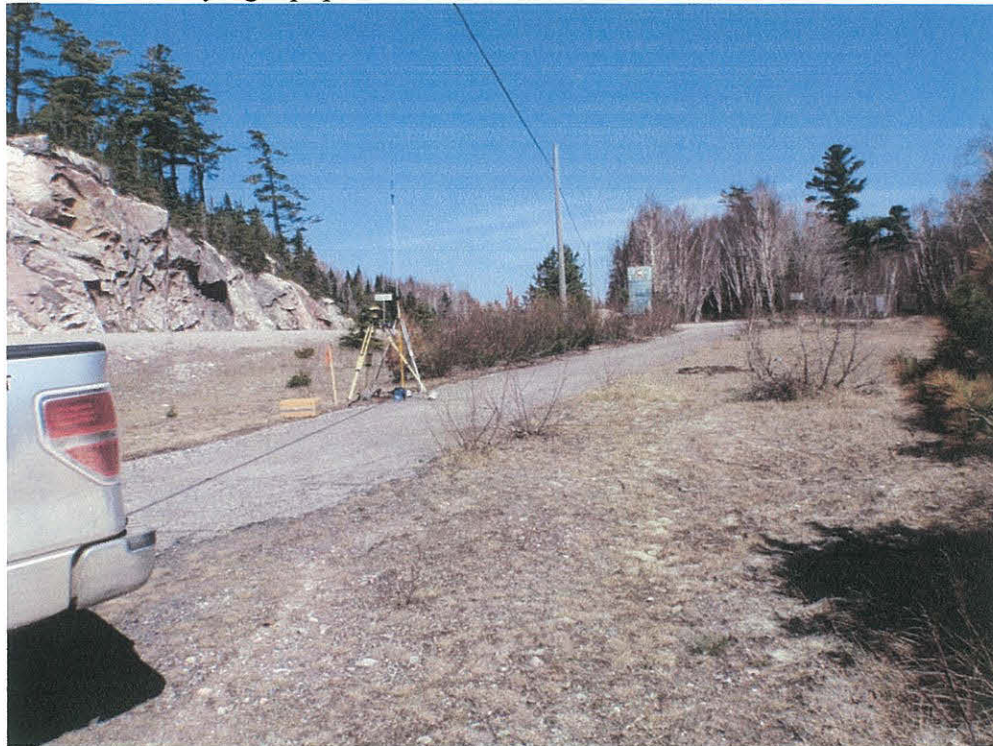
All Field Work done by: Dave Sewell and Vic Bolduc

On April 25 Vic Bolduc and I travelled up to Slater and Smilsky Townships (the Montreal River area) to do an environmental assessment on a service road that will be used by Blue Earth (Bow Lake Wind Farm). This road will be used for the purpose of bringing equipment and the actual tower components to all of the tower sites. We estimate that this road is roughly six KM long and runs from the McKay road or the Montreal River road south to Hi-way 17 north. Most of this access road already exists. There is one part of the road that has to be redirected through about six hundred meters of mountain side bush. This area starts about one hundred meters North of Hi-way 17 and runs north roughly six hundred meters connecting to existing road. As a result of this new part of the road running along side of a mountain there will be a certain amount of blasting happening on the site. This service road will be straightened out in other places but, we did not see any areas of concern other than some removal of trees. Below is a list of what we seen.

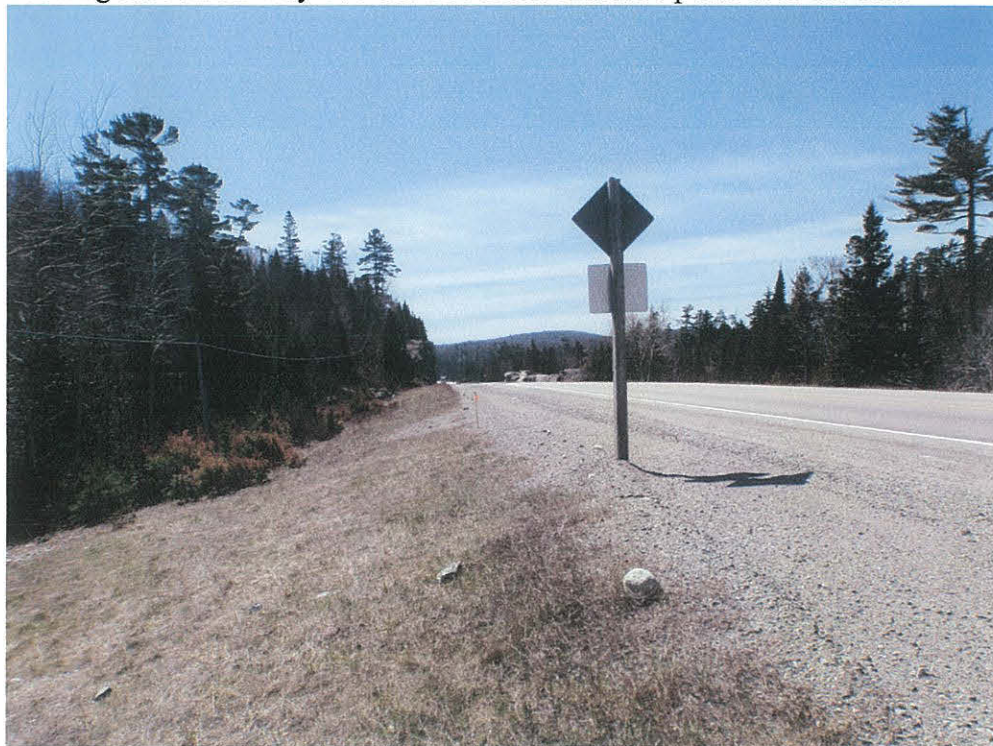
- Most of road already exists
- Roughly 600 meters of new road will be built
- New road runs along side of a mountain
- Certain amount of blasting will take place
- Surface mineral is Trap rock
- The bush contains 80% maple trees
- 20% mixed bush Yellow Birch, Spruce, Balsm
- Not much merchantable timber were trees have to be removed
- There is a lot of wildlife sign but no sightings

Out of the six KM of road roughly three KM will be rebuilt or upgraded in some way

Tulloch's surveying equipment at the service road entrance.



Looking east on Hi-way 17. Service Road entrance point is to the left.



Looking west on Hi-way 17



The new road to be built is off to the left of the trucks, if you look by the trucks you will notice an orange ribbon, this is the starting point and it travels south to Hi-way 17



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**Wetland, Waterfowl & Breeding Bird
Survey Form
BNR Department**

Project Name: BOW LAKE WIND FARMDate: APRIL 25 / 12Field Personnel: DAVE SEWELL + VIC BOLDUCClient Personnel: BLUE EARTH + B.F.N.

Weather Conditions:	Temp:	Wind:	Cloud:	PPT:	PPT in last 24 hrs:
	<u>+7</u>	<u>CALM</u>	<u>NIL</u>	<u>NIL</u>	<u>NIL</u>

Start Time: 10:30 AM. ON SITE ^{ARRIVED} End Time: 3:00 PM. LEFT THE SITE

Description of Area Searched (map attached):

ACCESS ROAD FROM HI-WAY 17 NORTH TO MCKAY ROAD OR
MONTREAL RIVER ROAD. SOME REMOVAL OF WOOD. BECAUSE OF
THE ROAD BEING STRAIGHTENED. NOT MUCH OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL
CONCERN. THERE IS MORE INFO. ON BACK OF PAGE.

Location	Time	Species	Habitat Description	Comments
<u>MONTREAL RIVER AREA</u>				<u>THERE WERE MOOSE TRACKS ON THE ROAD BUT NO SIGHTINGS</u>

Signature: Dave SewellSignature: Vic Bolduc

- MOST OF ROAD ALREADY EXISTING
- $\frac{1}{2}$ KM OF NEW ROAD MUST BE BUILT
- CERTAIN AMOUNT OF BLASTING WILL TAKE PLACE
- 80% MAPLE WITH A MIX OF YELLOW BIRCH
- SMALL EVERGREENS ALSO ON SOUTH SIDE OF HILL
- MINERAL SURFACE IS ~~TRAP~~ TRAP ROCK.

Appendix “G”

BNR Traditional Knowledge Assessment Reports



BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

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OBADJIWAN RESERVE 15 E
WHITEFISH ISLAND 15

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Batchewana Traditional Territory, ON P6A 5K9

Batchewana BNR

Traditional Knowledge Assessment for Bow Lake Wind Farm Questionnaire

Name: _____ Olaf Bjornaa _____

Print Name: _____ Resides in Batchewana Bay _____

Age: _____ 78 _____ Date: _____ April 10, 2012 _____

Location: Bow Lake Wind Farm

1. How long have you utilized this area for hunting and fishing?

People in Batchewana used the area to hunt moose up Bow Lake area, mostly hunt deer in Batchewana Bay for thousands of years.

2. Do you know of any sacred sites in the in the area? ie. Pictographs, mounds, stories, old graveyards, medicinal plants, fasting areas.

_____ Wetlands and some areas to harvest sweetgrass. _____

3. Historically what times of the year do you utilize this area to carry out your activities? What type of activity for each season?

_____ Moose in the fall , trap in the winter, coyote, wolves, mink, muskrat, beaver, bobcats, lynx, trappers would enter on Mile 67 and come out Montreal River area. Logging in spring and fall.

4. Do you know of any old harvesting, mining, work sites or trapping cabins in the area?

James Agawa has a camp on Huff Lake. There is a trapping cabin on Neejig Creek Road on Number 2 Lake.

5. Besides yourself, who else do you know of from your community, friends and family that have been utilizing the Bow Lake Area?

Angus Kakapshe used to trap in Bow Lake area for about 50 years, built fishing camp at Catherine's Cove and the MNR burnt it down, James Agawa and Rodney Elie both hunt and fish in the area.

6. What kinds of activities do you know of taking place in the area or surrounding areas?

Trapping, hunting, fishing, logging, seasonal moose camps, tree planting, guiding, Number 2 Lake there are speckle trout, Bow Lake there is pike, Huff Lake speckle trout.

7. Has your parents or grandparents utilized or have they told you any stories pertaining to the area? Did they or you know the area by any other names? (Ojibway)

Parents did mining, guiding and logging dating back to late 1800s to mid 1900s. Fred Agawa would do guiding in area for moose and fishing, firefighters at Bow Lake, Fowler Lake and Weejic Lake.

ACTIVITY REPORT

BNR Bow Lake Area



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Batchewana BNR

Traditional Knowledge Assessment for Bow Lake Wind Farm Questionnaire

Name: _____ Walter Agawa _____

Print Name: _____

Age: _____ 62 _____ Date: _____ April 11, 2012 _____

Location: _____ Bow Lake Wind Farm _____

1. How long have you utilized this area for hunting and fishing?

_____ Has used are for over 40 years.

2. Do you know of any sacred sites in the in the area? ie. Pictographs, mounds, stories, old graveyards, medicinal plants, fasting areas.

_____ 15 years ago Hog Lake Road used to be on lake on left and one pond on the right with a creek joining them in between. When the logging company put road in they ripped out the bridge, got rid of the beavers and resulted in killing and dried up the fishing beds. Batchewana Mountains some bones and other stuff was found up there a sacred site to our peoples.

3. Historically what times of the year do you utilize this area to carry out your activities? What type of activity for each season?

_____ Fishing many lakes in June, July. Moose hunting in October, November. Ask Brookfield for pass to gate at Montreal River area. Also, fishing Montreal River to gain access through system to access Bow Lake. _

4. Do you know of any old harvesting, mining, work sites or trapping cabins in the area?

____ Walters father Tomas Agawa used to have mining camp and claims in are back in the 50s and 60s. Great Lakes Power and MNR used to stop them from accessing the area siting liability issues. East Lake there are a bunch of cabins there speckle trout in Lake. In 2008 there was Logging Permit issued to cut behind Carp Lake and the MNR took the bridge out.

5. Besides yourself, who else do you know of from your community, friends and family that have been utilizing the Bow Lake Area?

____ Walter's father Tomas Agawa brought Walter up to area as a child. He worked for MTO and guide in this area for Buckeye Resort. Grandfather Joe Tom Sayers had trapline in area.

6. What kinds of activities do you know of taking place in the area or surrounding areas?

____ Hunt moose, trap, treeplanting in 67, lots of MNR planted lakes, treethinning in area Walter has done for 10 years. Chapman and Cullen logging Bow Lake area right now.

7. Has your parents or grandparents utilized or have they told you any stories pertaining to the area? Did they or you know the area by any other names? (Ojibway)

____ Lots of stories cannot remember them at this time.

ACTIVITY REPORT

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DATE	ACTIVITY	CONDUCTED BY	NOTES
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Traditional Knowledge Assessment for Bow Lake Wind Farm Questionnaire

Name: _____ Rodney Elie _____

Print Name: _____

Age: _____ 47 _____ Date: _____ April 12, 2012 _____

Location: _____ Bow Lake Wind Farm _____

1. How long have you utilized this area for hunting and fishing?

_____ 30 years _____

2. Do you know of any sacred sites in the in the area? ie. Pictographs, mounds, stories, old graveyards, medicinal plants, fasting areas.

_____ There are medicinal plants there but, are not extinct. They are common to the whole area.

3. Historically what times of the year do you utilize this area to carry out your activities? What type of activity for each season?

_____ Fall hunting and summer fishing. _____

4. Do you know of any old harvesting, mining, work sites or trapping cabins in the area?

_____ There are old trapping boundaries there, cabin was taken away by the MNR years ago.

5. Besides yourself, who else do you know of from your community, friends and family that have been utilizing the Bow Lake Area?

_____ All my uncles, family in Batchewana Bay.

6. What kinds of activities do you know of taking place in the area or surrounding areas?

_____ Canoeing on Montreal River, fishing, camping and also hunting around the Bow Lake area.

7. Has your parents or grandparents utilized or have they told you any stories pertaining to the area? Did they or you know the area by any other names? (Ojibway)

_____ Grandfather used to trap in the area and fish, hunt.



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Traditional Knowledge Assessment for Bow Lake Wind Farm Questionnaire

Name: WALTER AGAWA

Print Name: WALTER AGAWA

Age: 42 Date: APRIL 11 / 2012

1. How long have you utilized this area for hunting and fishing?

Smelts in Carp, Chippewa river 40 years
Fish Rainbow - MNR gated spot. 2 Skms past 120 km Soo Sig.
Al. Moose herding area. 1 km past Bow Lake
turnoff on right hand

2. Do you know of any sacred sites in the in the area? ie. Pictographs, mounds, stories, old graveyards.

15 yrs ago Hog Lake Road used to be one lake on left
one pond on right, creek joining them, put
road in ripped out bridge, rid of
beavers, killed, dried up fishing holes.

Batchewana Mountains some bones & other
stuff was found up there Sacred Site

Watters Dad Tom used to have
mining claims up here back in 50s 60s

3. Historically what times of the year do you utilize this area to carry out your activities? What type of activity for each season?

Fishing. lots of lakes June, July

Moose hunting October, November

Ask Brookfield for pass to gate at Montreal River

Fish Montreal River also gain access to Bow Lake

4. Do you know of any old harvesting, mining, work sites or trapping cabins in the area?

Great Lakes + MNR used to stop them
from accessing the area citing liability issues.

East Lake - bunch of cabins there Specs

2008 Logging Permit to cut Deland Corp Lake - MNR
took the bridge out

5. Besides yourself, who else do you know of from your community, friends and family that have been utilizing the Bow Lake Area?

Dad Thomas Agawa brought Watter up
here as a child. Work MTO and
guide this area for Buckeye Resort.
Grandfather Joe Tom Sayes trapline up
area

6. What kinds of activities do you know of taking place in the area or surrounding areas?

moose hunt, trap, treeplanting in 67

Lots of MNR planted lakes

Tree thinning in area Watter has done
for 10 yrs

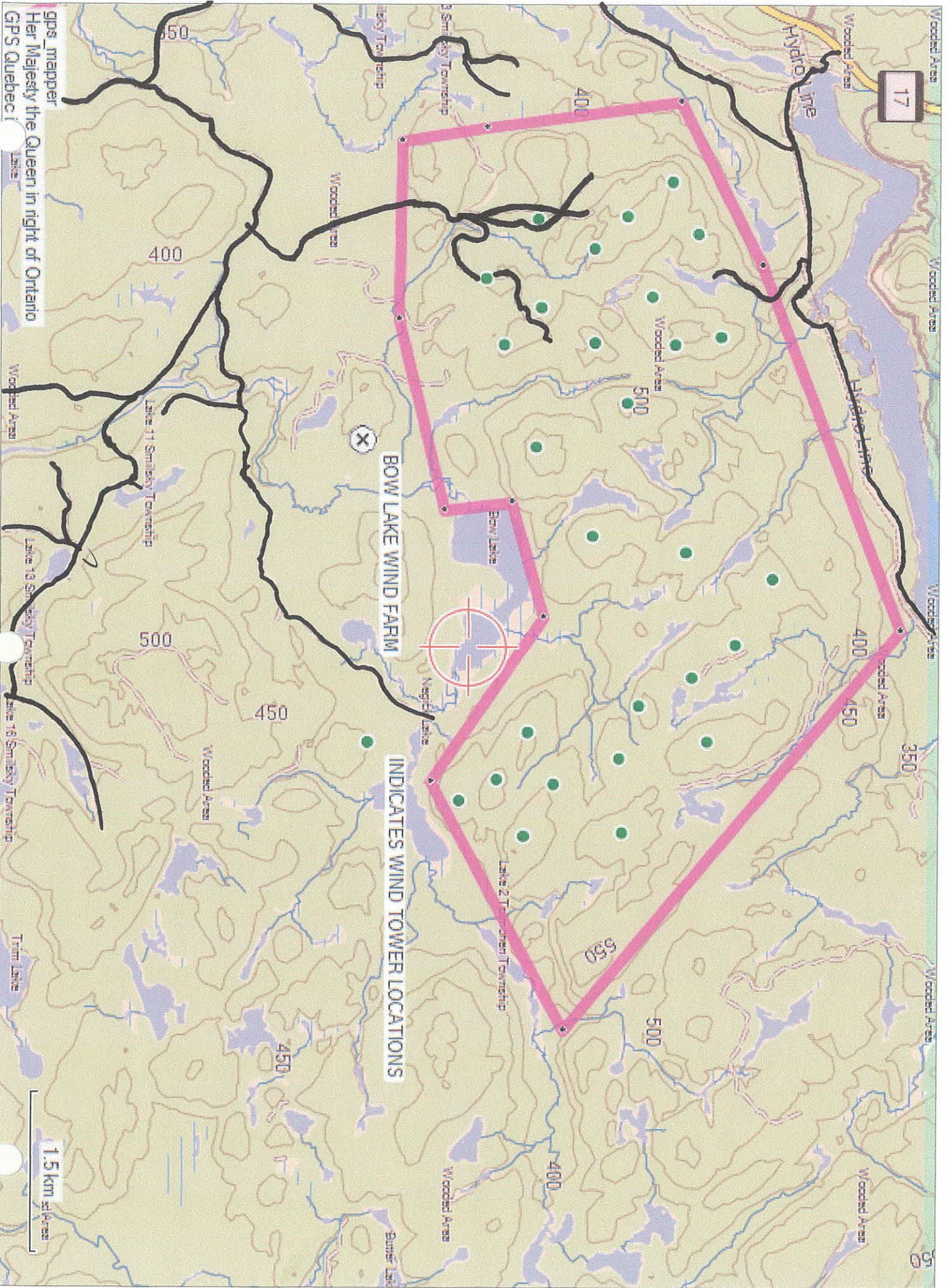
Chapman & Cullen logging Bow
Lake area rite now.

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Bow Lake Phase 1 and Phase 2 Combined Photomontages



A number of photomontages have been produced to illustrate the potential visual impacts of the Bow Lake turbines. Nine locations have been selected overall for the purposes of illustrating the impacts of both Phase 1 and 2. The locations of these nine viewpoints are illustrated in the viewpoints map illustrated above.



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and Bow Lake area, mostly deer in Batch.
hundreds of years back

2. Do you know of any sacred sites in the in the area? ie. Pictographs, mounds, stories, old graveyards, medicinal plants, fasting areas.

Wetlands

3. Historically what times of the year do you utilize this area to carry out your activities?
What type of activity for each season?

moose in fall, trap in winter coyote, wolves, mink
muskrat, beaver, logging, bobcats, ~~fox~~
Trappers would start here come out
Montreal River.

4. Do you know of any old harvesting, mining, work sites or trapping cabins in the area?

James Agawa camp on Huff
Trapping Cabin on Neejig creek Road
Number 11 Lake next to it

5. Besides yourself, who else do you know of from your community, friends and family that have been utilizing the Bow Lake Area?

Angus Kakakose - used to trap up there
for about 50 yrs, built fishing camp Catherine's Cove
MNR burnt it down, James Agawa heats & fishes,
Rodney Elre bunts & fish

6. What kinds of activities do you know of taking place in the area or surrounding areas?

Trapping, hunting, fishing, logging
moose camps, tree planting, guiding.
Number 11 Lake - specs,
Bow Lake - pike

7. Has your parents or grandparents utilized or have they told you any stories pertaining to the area? Did they or you know the area by any other names? (Ojibway)

Guiding Fred Agawa for moose
fish, fire fight, Bow Lake, Fowler Lake
Neejig Lake

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There are medicinal plants there, but
are not extinct. They are common
to the whole area.

3. Historically what times of the year do you utilize this area to carry out your activities?
What type of activity for each season?

Fall hunting, Summer Fishing.

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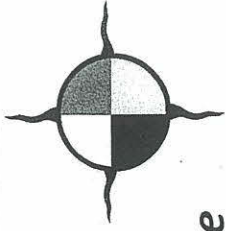
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Canoeing on Montreal River, fishing, camping, Hunting around Bow Lake Area.

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Grandfather used to Trap in the area fish, hunt.



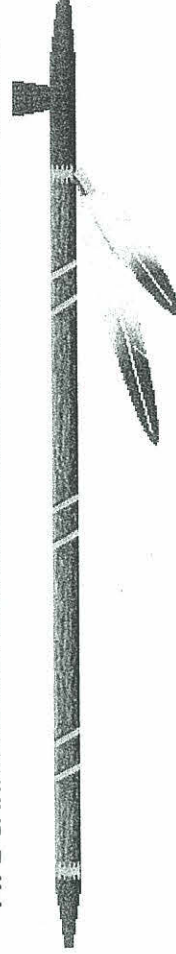
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UPCOMING CEREMONIES...

- December 2, 2011 – Whitefish Island Ceremony – 12 Noon
- December 3, 2011 – Bow Lakes Windfarm, Montreal River
- December 5, 2011 – Gilead Power, Carp Lake Road
- December 10, 2011 – Spratt, Mile Hill (top)
- December 12, 2011 – Atkins Gravel Pit, Goutais Bay

Cancelled

PIPE CARRIERS ARE WELCOMED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

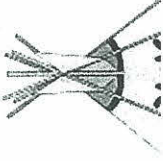


Limited travel vouchers available please sign-up with:

Dolly (front desk)

See Dolly for a copy of the map providing directions to each gathering

For more information contact BNR Department 759-0914.



Work Plan for Bow Lake Wind Farm Cultural Ceremony July 6, 2012 @ 11 – 2pm

Agenda

Location for Ceremonies	Mile 67 Huff Lake Turn Off
Meet and Greet with introductions:	11 – 12pm
Ceremony	12 – 1pm
Gift Giveaway and BBQ	1 – 2pm

Ceremony Conductors

MC/Host	Chief Dean Sayers
Firekeeper	Mike Hodgson 575-0853
Elder	James Agawa 206-6567
Pipecarriers	Donald Syrette, Trevor Sayers, Harvey Bell 759-1570
Wood Supplier	Doug McKay
Food for Ceremony	Darrell Johnson
Gift Giveaway	Leeann Sayers
Chef	Dave Sewell
Pictures/Communications	Alex Syrette

All personnel involved are not confirmed at this time and are subject to change.

Appendix “H”

BNR Phase 1, Plant and Flora Reports and Plant Lists

Bow Lake Plant Inventory

Station 1 (Plot 1)

Black Birch

Sugar Maple

Canada Yew

Blue Bead Lily

False Salmon Seal

Bladder Sedge

Star Flower

Beaked Hazel

Mountain Maple

Yellow Birch

White Birch

White Spruce

Choke Cherry

Skunk current

Wood fern

Rose twisted stalk

Elder berry

Mountain Ash

Salmon Seal

Shinning Club moss

Station 1 (Plot 2)

Wild lily of the valley

Pin cherry

Long beech fern

Wood fern

Canada Yew

Fly Honey suckle

Blue bead lily

Sugar Maple

Yellow Birch

Star flower

Skunk current

Mountain Maple

Rose twisted stalk

Hairy Cap Moss

Feather moss

Choke Cherry

White Birch

Black Birch

Balsam Fir

Sugar Maple

Oak Fern

Yellow trout lily

Salmon seal

Station 1 (Plot 3)

Canada Yew

Tree club moss

Red maple

False salmon seal

Star flower

Mountain ash

Cedar

Yellow birch

Shinning club moss

Blue bead lily

Smooth black berry

Wild sarsaparilla

Beaked hazel

Rose twisted stalk

Yellow trout lily

Sugar maple

Wild lily of the valley

Mountain maple

Evergreen wood fern

Salmon seal

Service berry

Station 1 (Plot 4)

Canada Yew

Mountain ash

Cedar

Star flower

Wild lily of the valley

Blue bead lily

Red maple

Wild sarsaparilla

Evergreen wood fern

False salmon seal

Beaked hazel

Rose twisted stalk

Tree club moss

Shinning club moss

Pin cherry

Long beech fern

Yellow trout lily

Sugar maple

Mountain maple

Service berry

Violet

Sedge

Station 1 (Plot 5)

Salmon seal

Mountain ash

Canada yew

Blue bead lily

Sugar maple

Mountain maple

Star flower

False salmon seal

Wild sarsaparilla

Cedar

Service berry

Wild lily of the valley

Red maple

Evergreen wood fern

Shining club moss

Beaked hazel

Black berry

Balsam fir

Long beech fern

Yellow birch

White spruce

Rose twisted stalk

Black alder berry

Tree club moss

Station 1 (Plot 6)

White spruce

Sugar maple

Red maple

Balsam fir

Blue bead lily

Canada yew

Black birch

White birch

Yellow birch

Wild lily of the valley

Shining club moss

Evergreen wood fern

Wild sarsaparilla

Star flower

Beaked hazel

False salmon seal

Interrupted fern

Long beech fern

Mountain ash

Dwarf raspberry

Knotting trillium

Plant Species for Bow Lake
Batchewana Natural Resources

Trees

Common Name	Scientific Name
Black Spruce	<i>Picea mariana</i>
Balsam Fir	<i>Abies balsamea</i>
Eastern White Cedar	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>
Sugar Maple	<i>Acer saccharum</i> ssp.
White Birch	<i>Betula papyrifera</i>
Yellow Birch	<i>Betula alleghaniensis</i>
Black Birch	<i>Betula lenta</i>

Shrubs

Wild Red Raspberry	<i>Rubus idaeus</i>
Highbush Cranberry	<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>
Alleghany Blackberry	<i>Rubus allegheniensis</i>
Showy Mountain Ash	<i>Sorbus decora</i>

Flowers

Pearly Everlasting	<i>Anaphalis margaritacea</i>
Spotted Joe-pye-weed	<i>Eupatorium maculatum</i>
Spotted Touch-me-not	<i>Impatiens capensis</i>
Showy Aster	<i>Symphyotrichum puniceum</i>
Mountain-holly	<i>Ilex mucronata</i>
Leatherleaf	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>
Velvet-leaf Blueberry	<i>Vaccinium myrtilloides</i>
Bunchberry	<i>Cornus canadensis</i>
Creeping Snowberry	<i>Gaultheria hispida</i>
Common Mare's-tail	<i>Hippuris vulgaris</i>
Flat-leaved Bladderwort	<i>Utricularia intermedia</i>
Mountain Holly	<i>Ilex mucronata</i>
Dwarf Raspberry	<i>Rubus pubescens</i>
Short-tailed Rush	<i>Juncus brevicaudatus</i> Short
Bluebead-lily	<i>Clintonia borealis</i>
Blue-flag	<i>Iris versicolor</i>

Sedges and Grasses

Nuttall's Bur-reed	<i>Sparganium americanum</i>
Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton</i> spp
Nodding Sedge	<i>Carex gynandra</i>
Wool-grass	<i>Scirpus cyperinus</i>
Rattlesnake Grass	<i>Glyceria canadensis</i>
Bedstraw	<i>Galium trifidum</i>

Ferns

Sensitive Fern	<i>Onoclea sensibilis</i>
Northern Lady Fern	<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i>
Evergreen Wood Fern	<i>Dryopteris intermedia</i>
Interrupted Fern	<i>Osmunda claytoniana</i>
Northern Beech Fern	<i>Phegopteris connectilis</i>
Horsetail	<i>Equisetum sylvaticum</i>

④

- twisted rose stalk
- Yellow trout lily
- Sugar maple
- wild lily of the valley
- Mountain maple
- Evergreen wood fern
- Salmon Seal
- Service Berry

⑤

- Feather Moss
- Choke Cherry
- White Birch
- Black Birch
- Balsam Fir
- Sugar Maple
- Oak Fern
- Yellow trout lily
- Salmon Seal

⑥

- Balsam Fir
- White spruce
- choke cherry
- skunk curren
- toad
- wood fern
- Rose twisted stalk
(like false Salmon Seal)
(Bennet under heat)
- Elder Berry
- Mountain Ash
- Salmon Seal
- Shining Club Moss

⑦

- Star Flower
- Beaked Hazel
- False Salmon Seal
- Interrupted Fern
- long Beech Fern
- Mountain Ash (showy)
- Dwarf Raspberry

⑧

- Evergreen wood fern
- Shining Club moss
- Beaked Hazel
- Black berry
- Balsam Fir
- long Beech Fern
- Yellow Birch
- white spruce
- Rose twisted stalk
- Black Elder Berry
- tree Club Moss

⑨

- pin cherry
- long Beech Fern
- Yellow trout lily
- Sugar Maple
- Mountain Maple
- Service Berry
- violet
- sedge

tree frog
toad

Station 1 (Plot 3) ⑤

Canada Yew
club moss
red maple
False Salmon Seal
Star Flower
Mountain Ash (Showy)
Sedgwick
Yellow Birch
Ring Club moss
Blue Bead Lily
Smooth Black Berry
Wild Sarsaparilla
Beaked Hazel

- heard Sandhill cranes Plot 2 ③

- wild lily of the valley
- pin cherry
- long leaved fern
- wood fern (Evergreen)
Canada Yew
- Fly Honey Sucker
- Blue Bead Lily
- sugar maple
- Yellow Birch
- Star Flower
- Skunk cumin
- Mountain Maple
- rose twisted stalk

June 30th 2011 Plot 1 ⑥

Sunny Day (Nice)
- downy woodpecker
Black Birch
Sugar Maple
Canada Yew
Blue Bead Lily
False Salmon Seal
Bladder Sedge
Star Flower
- Beaked Hazel
- Mountain Maple
Yellow Birch
White Birch

Station 1 (Plot 6) ⑪

White Spruce
Sugar maple
red maple
Balsam Fir
Blue Bead Lily
Canada Yew
Black Birch
White Birch
Yellow Birch
Wild lily of the valley
Ring Club moss
Evergreen wood Fern
Wild Sarsaparilla

Station 2 (Plot 5) ⑨

- salmon seal
- Mountain Ash (showy)
Canada Yew
Blue Bead Lily
Sugar Maple
Mountain Maple
Star Flower
False Salmon Seal
wild Sarsaparilla
Cedar
- Service Berry
- wild lily of the valley
- red maple

Station 1 (Plot 4) ⑦

- Canada Yew
- Mountain Ash (showy)
Cedar
- Star Flower
- wild lily of the valley
Blue Bead Lily
red maple
wild Sarsaparilla
Evergreen wood Fern
False Salmon Seal
- Beaked Hazel
twisted rose stalk
tree Club moss



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Vortex

Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase One Field Exploration (Plant and Wildlife Inventory)

July 6, 2011

On June 28, 29, and 30th BNR conducted field work up in the Bow Lake Wind Farm areas located in the Peever and Smilsky townships. The area of concern on this field trip was the roadway leading to towers # 1 and 2 and a one hundred meter radius around the tower areas also. The purpose of this field trip was to walk the bush and flag (ribbon) the roadway and tower areas, then to take inventory of all the plants that exist within the extraction area of the roadway and towers # 1 and 2. Botanist Susan Meades and her assistant Meagan Krajchi and Clarence Boyer were working with BNR on this project. We were also to take note of any and all signs of wildlife in and around the area of the roadway and towers # 1 and 2.

BNR was also instructed to assist three men who were doing some work for Vortex in the phase 2 stage of the wind farm project. The names of the three men working for Vortex are Blair Baldwin, Ken Burrell and Brian Watson. I put Phil Swanson with these guys because Phil knows the bush up in this area. I talked to Ken Burrell and he said he was more than happy with Phil's work ethics and knowledge of the bush. Below is a review of how the three days went.

Day # 1

June 28, 2011

Vortex Wind Farm

Temperature; +12 Celsius (cloudy and rainy)

Start Time; 7:00 a.m.

Attendance: Dave Sewell, Mary Jane McCormick, Erin Robinson, Richard Virta, Scott McCabe, and Samantha McCormick

Botanist Susan Meades and her assistance and Clarence Boyer were also present

Philip Swanson worked with the guys from Vortex phase 2

- We met the guys from Vortex at the Montreal River Dam
- My key would not work to open the gate to go across the dam we had to wait for some other worker to open the gate.
- Arrived at work site at 9:30 a.m.

- Sue Meades took the gang in to the bush on the roadway that leads to towers # 1 and 2 to show them how to gather and document the plants in the areas of concern.
- I went ahead of them to mark or ribbon the trail and the tower areas.
- Sue Meades said that there was too much thunder and rain so we left the bush at 11:00 a.m.
- I got only about a third of the trail marked
- The guys from Vortex came out of the bush at that time also
- Mary Jane McCormick drove Sue Meades back to Sault Ste. Marie, the rest of us went up to the Bow Lake area to try and get as close as we could to a couple of towers with the guys from Vortex.
- The closest we could get to a tower was 2 kilometers.
- Left the job site at 3:00 p.m.
- Got home at 4:30 p.m.

Day # 2

June 29, 2011

Vortex Wind Farm

Temperature; +21 Celsius (sunny day)

Start Time; 7:00 a.m.

Attendance; Dave Sewell, Mary Jane McCormick, Erin Robinson, Richard Virta, Scott McCabe, Samantha McCormick

Sue Meades assistant Clarence Boyer was also present

Philip Swanson worked with the guys from Vortex phase 2.

- Had to wait for someone with a key to get across the Dam
- Got to the job site at 9:00 a.m.
- I walked ahead of the gang to finish marking the trail and to find tower # 1
- The gang came behind me trying to find a sample of every plant on the roadway.
- We found the spot where tower #1 is going to be located at around 12:30 p.m.
- We had a half hour lunch.
- We set up one of those recorders at the # 1 tower site to record different bird calls, we also put one near some wetlands located about a half way in to tower # 1
- We collected plants in about a 100 meter radius around tower # 1
- Elevation of tower # 1 is 1,600 FT.
- Left the bush and got to the truck at 3:30 p.m.
- Left the job site at 4:00 p.m.
- Got home at 5:30 p.m.

Other Notes

- The bush is all hardwood (70% Hard Maple and 30% Yellow Birch)
- Very little to no Evergreens
- Lots of Ground Hemlock
- No Turtles
- A lot of wildlife sign like the bear, deer, moose, wolves and foxes
- There is a lot of different birds (seen a lot of baby partridge)
- There are also Eagles around these areas (I seen two flying)

Day # 3**June 30, 2011****Vortex Wind Farm**

Temperature; +26 Celsius (sunny day)

Start Time; 7:00 a.m.

Attendance; Dave Sewell, Mary Jane McCormick, Erin Robinson, Richard Virta, Scott McCabe and Samantha McCormick

Sue Meades's assistants Meagan Krajchi and Clarence Boyer were also present

Philip Swanson worked with the guys from Vortex phase 2

- Had to wait again for someone with a key to get across the Dam
- Got to job site at 9:30 a.m.
- Walked in to the bush at 9:45 a.m.
- Richard Virta and I went ahead of the gang to finish marking out the road that leads to tower # 2, and to try and find the exact spot where the tower will be located
- I did not find the exact spot where tower # 2 will be because I did not have the UTM co-ordinates
- Meagan Krajchi along with the rest of the gang did plots all along the roadway leading to tower # 1
- When we reached tower # 1 Meagan And Clarence did more plots around the tower area
- Left the bush at 2:30 p.m. and got to the truck at 3:15 p.m.
- Did my notes and left the job site at 3:45 p.m.
- Got home at 5:30 p.m.

Other Notes

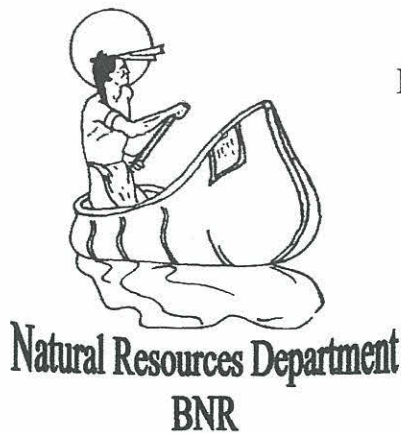
Water samples were taken from a pond near Tower # 1 and a creek coming from the pond at tower # 1. (Report attached).

Recommendations

BNR recommends that all trails and roadways leading to the towers should be marked (flagging tape). BNR should have the UTM co-ordinates for each tower so the proper work can be conducted in the proper areas in question.

Appendix “I”

BNR Wetland Evaluations and Reports



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BNR Site Visit and Recommendations on Two Bow Lake Wetlands

On October 26, 2010 I visited the area of the Bow Lake Wind Farms to take a look at the wetlands in that area. There are two big pieces of wetland, one to the north of Bow Lake and, one to the south of Bow Lake. There are a few smaller pieces of wetland around Negick Lake which is within the Wind Farm area. From what I seen these wetlands play an important role to the surrounding area. These wetlands are nature's way of filtering the water which the animals drink (and sometimes humans). In this area there are a lot of animals such as the moose, deer; bear, wolves, foxes, beaver and a lot of other smaller animals. There is plenty of plant life around the wetlands that animals and aquatic life use as food and others use as their homes. There are also a lot of plants that we (BFN) use for medicines. The loss of these wetlands will have on huge burden on the BFN community and the surrounding area that may have irreversible damage.

Recommendations:

- I believe that these wetlands are very valuable to the surrounding area, environment, wild life and BFN reliance on the land and resources to sustain our cultural activities.
- The Bzhki Ziibi (Montreal River) has and continues to be valuable resources to BFN community members to access, for harvest and manage our Natural Resources that include but not limited to hunting, fishing, cultural sites.
- More BFN field work is needed to provide a complete evaluation and values of these wetlands.

It is my recommendation that Batchewana First Nation should be a part of any Environmental Evaluations from the beginning stages. It is very important to have BFN participation in order to understand and/or to receive appropriate data related to direct impacts and/or values. BNR field Technician is requesting that any future work in our Territory involves our participation which includes but not limited to; covering the cost associated with providing BFN involvement. It's essential for the government, Industry, and contractors to budget for First Nation participation because it becomes costly to our First Nation departments to complete these tasks in a manner that the community will accept. Without BFN reasonable participation in future Environmental Evaluations or Environmental Impacts studies, BFN will not endorse or except the final copies of those reports.

Dave Sewell
BNR Field Technician



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Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: May 26, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: +17 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On May 26, 2010 I traveled north up to the Montreal River and Mile 67 area which is located in the Peever and Smilsky townships. This area is to be the future site for the Bow Lake Wind Farm owned and operated by Vortex Wind Power. I walked through the area in question which is located on the higher points of the tallest mountains. The terrain is rough but, there are large areas on the top of these hills that I believe to be the site for some of the turbines. I am not sure of the size of these turbines but, it looks like to me that there should be limited cutting of trees. I am not sure where there access roads leading to the turbines are going to be located.

Other Notes

I would like to note that there are swamps and other wetlands below these mountains that might make access to these areas a little more difficult as we do not want to disturb these wetlands because, their existence is far too important to the area.

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: May 26, 2010
Last inspection: April 8, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

No work to report.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

- Roadway and landings are all clear of debris (tree tops, branches, rocks, etc.)
- Minimal damage to the forest floor
- No hangers left in the cut area (all tree tops are on the ground)
- Practices safe work habits
- Road signs all in place
- Wildlife habitat is well protected
- All safety protocols are meeting BFN standards

Site Evaluation will include the following check list:

1. Insuring all BFN rules and regulations are being followed
2. Insuring Safety protocols
3. Insuring all Anishinabe cultural norms are being respected at all times
4. Pictures will be included
5. Recommendations to harvester and BFN on how to proceed with the plan (Including modifications).
 - None at this time
6. Additional request from Chief and Council
 - None at this time

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Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: October 26, 2010
Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: +6 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On October 26, 2010 I traveled up to the Montreal River and Mile 67 area. This area is in the Peever and Smilsky townships and is marked as the Bow Lake Wind Farm area. I walked around the swamps and other wetlands doing an evaluation. This evaluation is on how important these wetlands area to the surrounding area and to the wild life and also to the BFN (Land Owners). The following is a list of environmental concerns for the Bow Lake Wind Farm area.

- These wetlands are natural filtration systems that clean the water before it goes into our rivers and lakes.
- These areas play a big part in the lives of the bigger animal such as the moose, deer, bears wolves, coyotes, foxes just to name a few.
- A lot of birds such as the eagle, owl, hawk, ravens, crows, blue jays and many more.
- They act as natural reservoirs for all kinds of smaller life such as fish, insects, amphibians, rodents and all kinds of plant life.
- The plant life serves as a source of food for a lot of the animals; they also are a source of food and medicines for not only the BFN people but the non natives as well.
- These areas continue to hold valuable resources for the BFN people for Cultural, Sustenance and Recreational purposes.

Other Notes

These wetlands have their own way of holding and releasing the water that they contain, any tempering with these wetlands may cause them to release more moisture than nature intended, causing these wetlands to dry up. The wetlands in this area should be left alone. If we have work beyond this point we should go around these swamps and not through them

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: October 26, 2010
Last inspection: October 21, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

No work to report.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

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Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

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Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: +3 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On October 21 2010 I traveled up to the Montreal River and Mile 67 area known as the Bow Lake Wind Farm Area. I was going to walk around the wetlands in this area and make recommendations to Chief and Council but I had to stop. The winds started to pick up and got stronger and stronger sending debris from the tree tops to the ground. This made it too dangerous to do any bush walking so I returned to the office. I will return at a later date to do my evaluation on the wetlands.

Other Notes

Wetlands in this area should be given special attention
Derek Goertz from Natural Resource Solutions called the BNR department and requested that the BFN do our own evaluations of the Wetlands in this area and to forward the outcome to him (Natural Resource Solutions).

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: October 21, 2010
Last inspection: August 18, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

No work to report.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

Site Inspection and Operation Evaluation Notes / Check List

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Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

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Management Unit: Batchewana First Nation Territory
Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: +26 Celsius

Site Evaluation

On August 18, 2010 I travelled up to the Montreal River and Mile 67 area. This area is in the Peever and Smilsky Townships known as the Bow Lake Wind Farm area. I walked the bush area where the actual turbines are supposed to be; also I was trying to find a route where they might be able to put their access road. There are no ribbons marking any kind of area, which makes it hard to know the actual amount of land needed. It would be nice to have someone from the company walk the bush with me. At this point Bow Lake Wind Farms has not sent me any kind of coordinates to these areas except a circled area on a map. I know I am in the right area but, the right coordinates would be more accurate and would make my job a lot easier.

Other Notes

Wetlands in this area should be given special attention

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: August 18, 2010
Last inspection: May 26, 2010

Wind Tower Test Site Evaluation

No work to report.

Visitors Evaluation

No work has been done in the bush in this area so there is nothing to report

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Bow Lake Wetland Evaluation

Date: March 2, 2011
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Management Area: Montreal River and Mile 67 Area
Townships: Peever and Smilsky
Weather Conditions: -15 Celsius

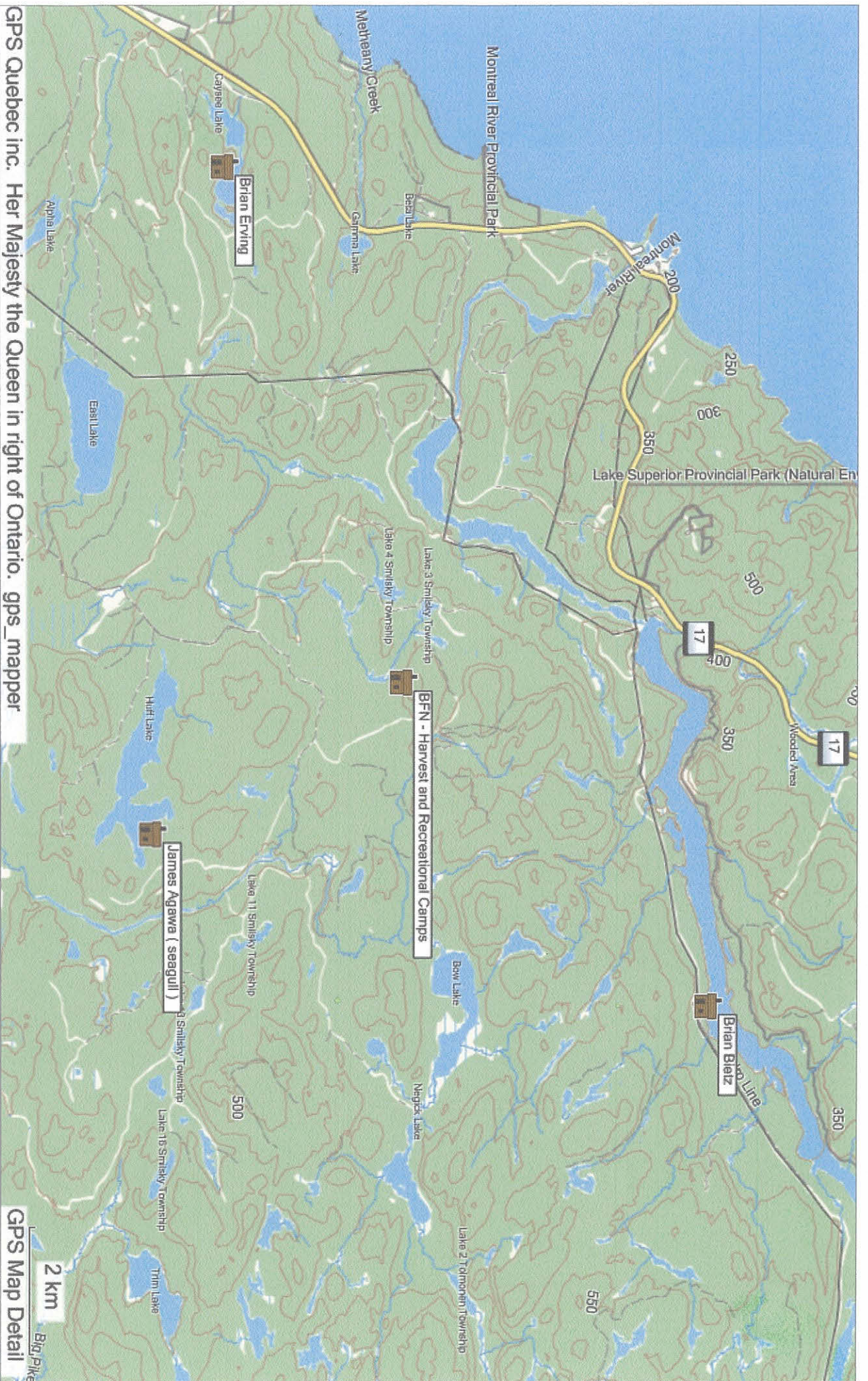
Site Evaluation

On March 2, 2011 Clarence Boyer and I traveled up to the Bow Lake Wind farm area to have a look at a piece of wetland that I missed when I was up there this fall (Nov. 2010). Clarence and I walk the bush to these wetlands with Tom Bernacki and their Geologist this guys 'name was Nigel. This wetland is of special concern because they (Vortex) want to put a road up in that area leading to one or more of their wind turbines. BNR's interest in this piece of wetland is to make sure that they (Vortex) are not too close to any or all of the wetlands tributaries or the wetlands main body. When we were walking the area I was taking a good look at where the road would be going and I think that the road is in the right place without coming too close to any waterways or the main wetland body that we came to look at.

Completed by: Dave Sewell
Date inspected: March 2, 2011
Last inspection: December 17, 2010

Appendix “J”

BNR Map Locations of Harvest Camps



Appendix “K”

BNR Aggregate Evaluations Reports and Locations



BNR MEMO NATURAL RESOURCES

TO: Cathy Connors
FROM: Vic Bolduc BNR Mining and Aggregate Tech
DATE: Feb.08/12
RE: pit locations

Aahniin,

Pit location Bow Lake Wind Farm

On Feb.07/12 Dave and I drove to the Bow Lake Wind Farm location looking for potential pit location. Four sites were located

Site One: This site was located 3km in from Mile 67 rd. on the Plantation rd. There was a visible Portion of the bank indicating 6 inch pit run gravel that had a sand dirt mixture .This material was used to build a roadway into a cut block. The road was built on a side hill exposing a bank about 16 ft. high. Area is in a cut block so there would minimal tree removal at site.
UTM – coordinates 16T-0684346 - 5231336

Site Two: This site was located 1km east from Plantation rd. on Mile 67 rd. There was no site indication of gravel , but because of the land formation and the close proximity to a Jack Pine flats there may be a gravel deposit here. In the PJ stand there was a borrow pit on Plantation rd a few meters in. indicating a possible sand or gravel pit. This would warrant further investigation in the spring. Hard to tell with the snow cover .
UTM coordinates – 16T-0685395 - 5229118

Site Three: This site was along Mile 67 rd west of Plantation rd. Pit run gravel was seen along road in the excavated ditch portion of the roadway. Gravel was 2 to 10 inch diameter stone mixed with sand and mineral mixture. This gravel was halfway down a hill. Again snow cover and ground surface materials make it difficult to determine if this could have pit potential
UTM coordinates – 16T0682187 - 5231171

Site Four: This is an existing pit along Mile 67 rd. Type of material under snow not known . This would probably worthwhile to investigate in spring.
UTM coordinates – 16T-0981929 - 5231209

Site Five: This is the Radon Pit - UTM coordinates 16T – 0682792 - 5233331

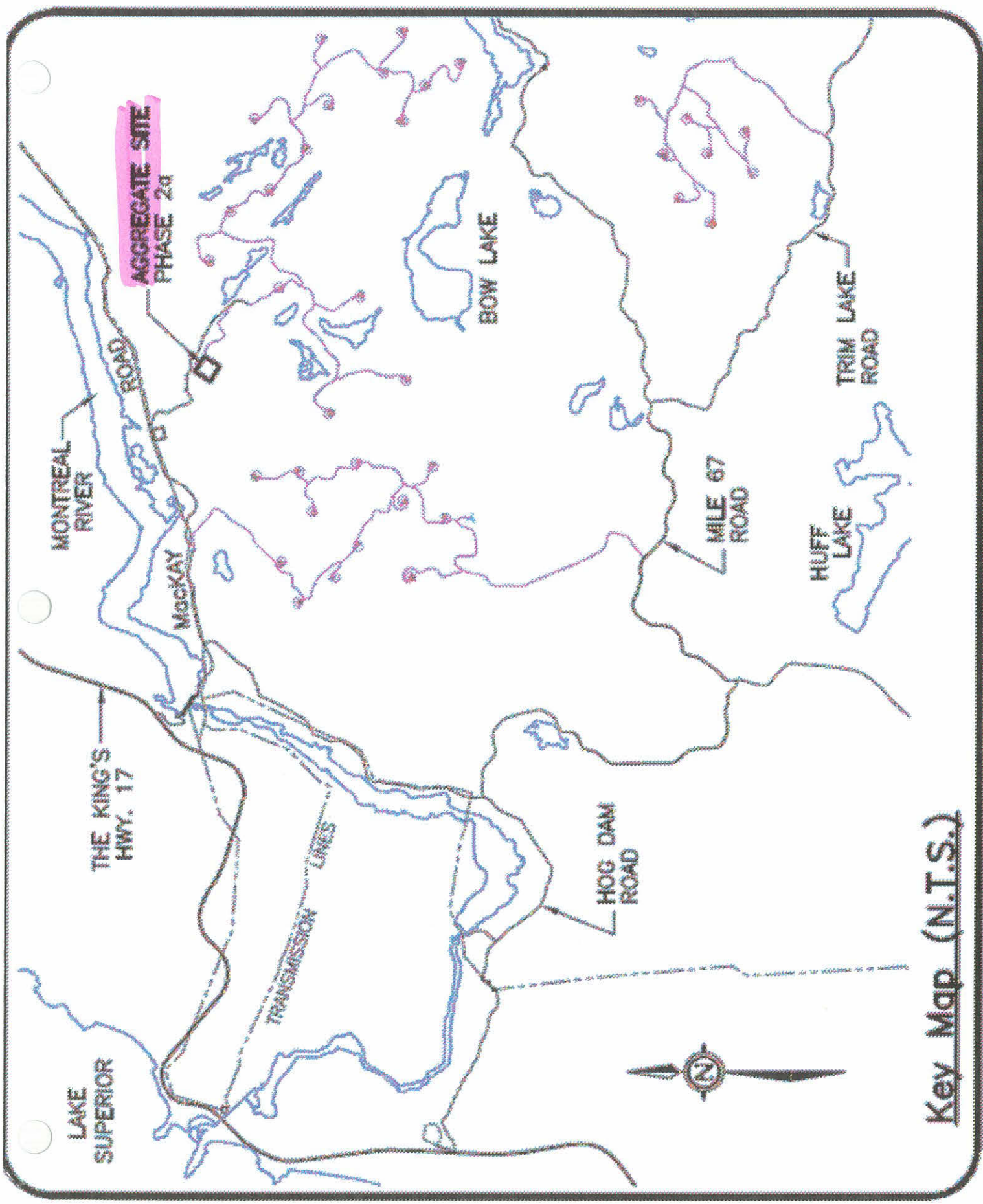
Note : these sites have Jack pine, white pine, white spruce , white birch, balsam , and yellow birch growing on sites and adjacent areas. Majority of sites have been previously logged.

Recommendations:

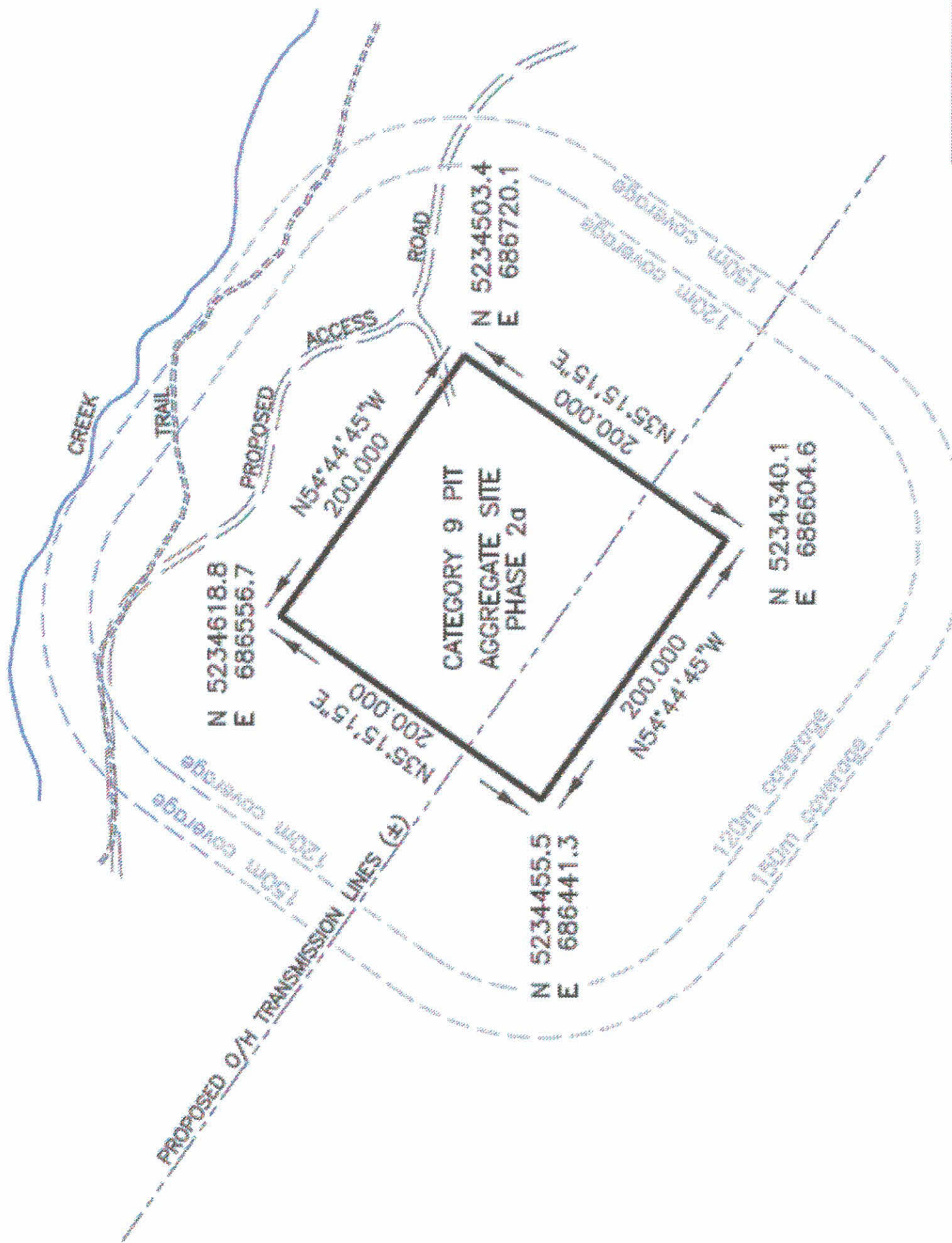
An excavator would be needed in spring to dig test holes in these sites to indicate quantities and quality of these gravel deposits . If the right mixture of granular sand and stone is located for the cement mixtures a crusher will have to be brought to site to crush this gravel.

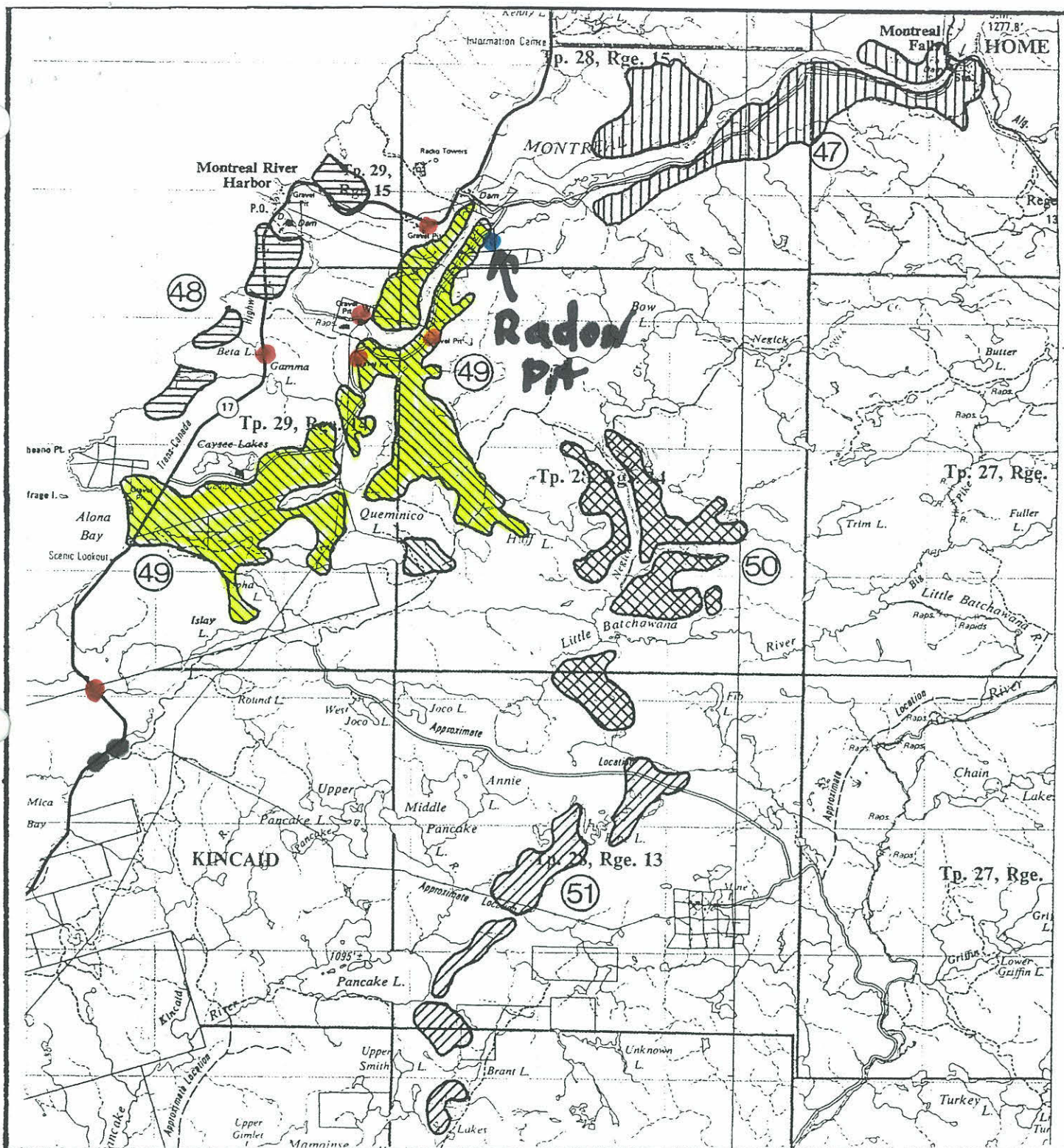
All pit locations will have to be reinvestigated in the spring to determine size and volumes of pits.

Danny Sayers BNR Manager
Chief Dean Sayers
Dave Sewell



Key Map (N.T.S.)





● Potential areas for Pits 75% Road access

● EXISTING PITS

● Radon Pit

● Bonferro Pits

● Damtar Pit (surrendered)

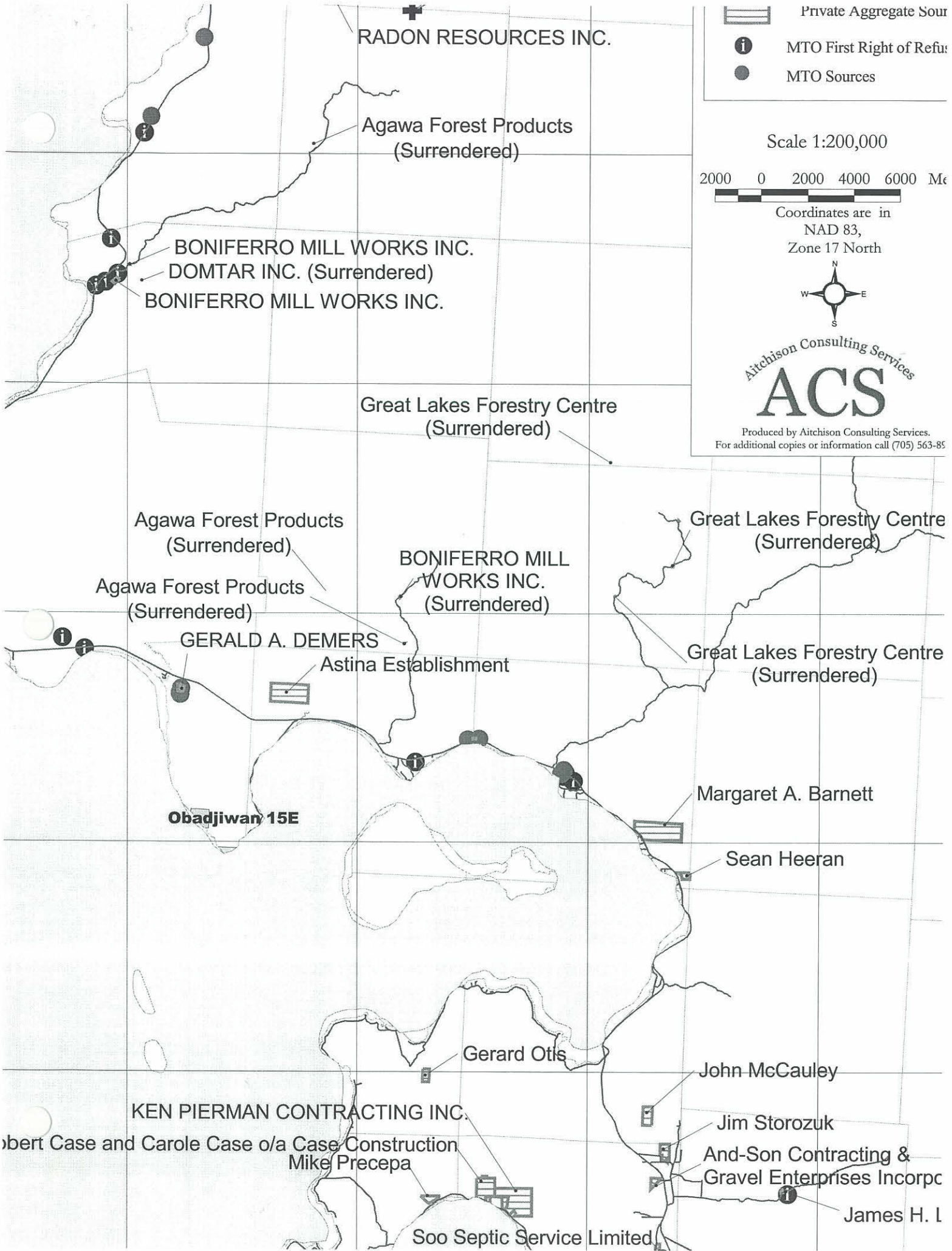
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Attached Field report

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Associates
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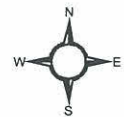
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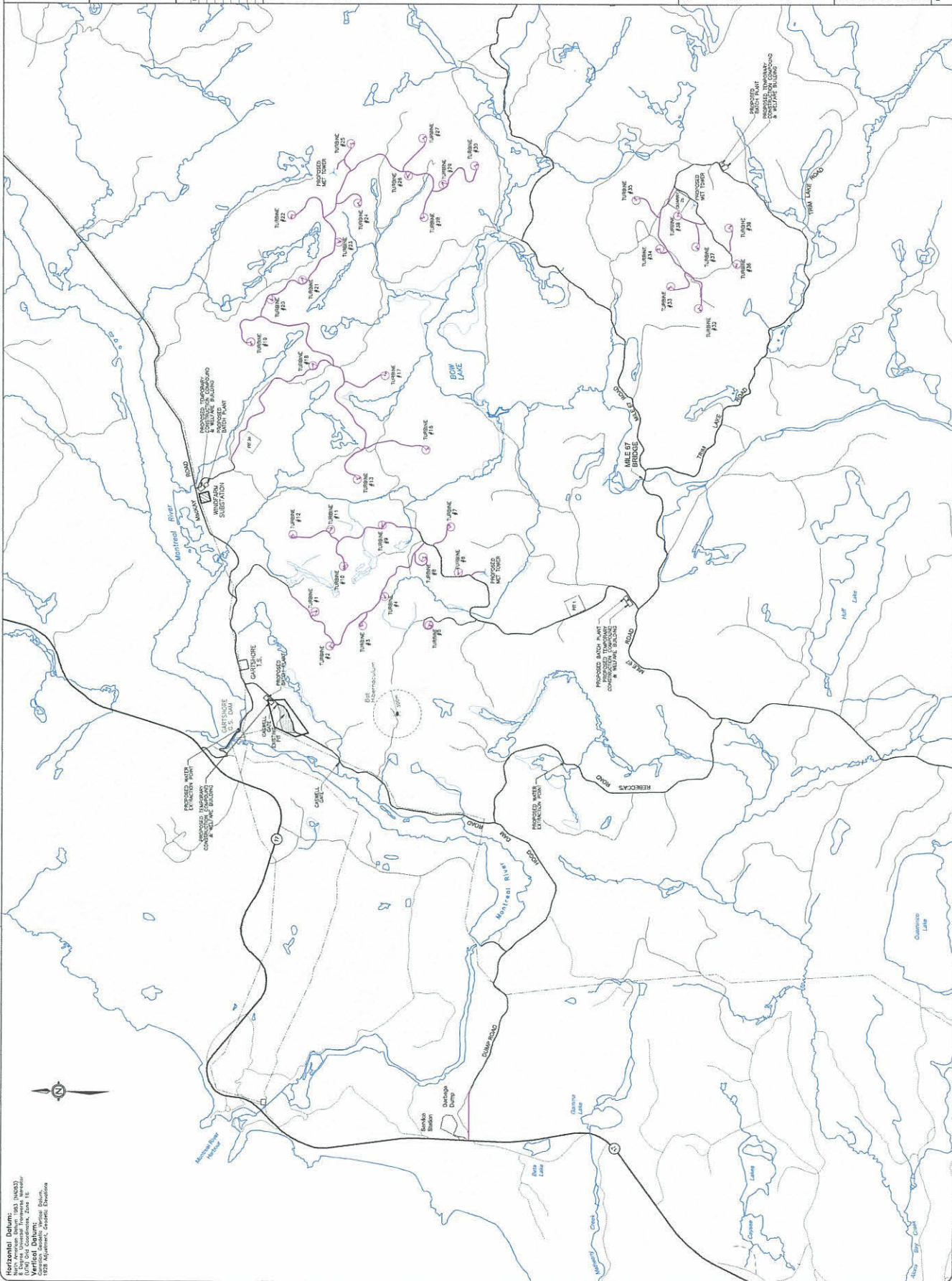


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- LEGEND
- NEW CONSTRUCTION
- EXISTING ROADS
- EXISTING TRAILS
- EXISTING WATERCOURSE
- TURBINE LOCATION
- NET TOWER LOCATION
- WASH AREA
- 11KV POWER LINES
- CONTOURS
(5m INTERVAL)

PRELIMINARY
ISSUED - AUGUST 16, 2011

PROJECT TITLE
BOW LAKE WIND FARM

DRAWING TITLE

LIDAR ROADS

LOCATION
MONTREAL RIVER,
ON.

DATE	OCTOBER 7, 2010
DRAWN	DS
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Appendix “L”

BNR Community Engagement Roll up Report

Roll up Report for Community Engagement Process in Rankin, Goulais and Batchewana

<u>Location</u>		<u>Dates</u>
Rankin # of people	27	Nov. 21, 2011 & Jan 17, 2012
Goulais # of people	15	Nov. 20, 2011 & Jan 16, 2012
Batchewana # of people	20	Nov. 23, 2011

All dates included Open House 1 – 4 and Community Engagement from 6 – 9.

Questions Asked

1. Are these sessions considered consultation to the community?
2. Will we have the ability to purchase the power from our Wind Farm at lower rates than what we are paying now?
3. What are the health impacts?
4. What is the effect on wildlife habitat in reference to moose, deer and birds?
5. How many and what types of jobs will band members have an opportunity to apply for?
6. How is the revenue from the turbines going to be shared among band members?
7. With the band erecting turbines on our behalf does that mean we will not have to pay our power bills anymore?
8. How much noise do these turbines make and will it bother surrounding wildlife and humans?
9. How much revenue on an annual basis will Batchewana be getting from wind farm?

10. I heard that these wind turbines cause cancer is that true?

11. How long will these turbines be in service and what happens after that?

12. How close can we get to these turbines?

13. How is partnership structured?

Attached is the summary for the Roll up Report with the number of people who attended each session. Also, I listed the questions asked at the meetings by the members. Perhaps you can forward the questions to Scott, Bill and Wayne to provide their answers on the questions pertaining to their expertise. As I am sure some of these questions might jog their memory on the answers that they provided. I know perhaps number 1 & 13 are for Bill as he answered those ones, the wind power ones numbers 3, 4, 8 & 10 Scott could provide answer and then on the revenue generation and number 2, 5, 6 & 9 Wayne could provide answers.

If they can just email them back then I could put in readable format into the document. If anyone has any questions feel free to email or call me.



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& Negotiation Team are pleased to announce;



BowLake WindFarm & BluEarth Renewables^{Inc.}

OPEN HOUSE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS

GOULAIS BAY ANNEX NOV. 21, 2011

Open House 1 - 4 Community Engagement 6 – 9

BACHEWANA BAY CO SOMES COMMUNITY CENTER NOV. 22, 2011

Open House 1 – 4 Community Engagement 6 – 9

RANKIN ARENA NOV. 23, 2011

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PRESENTATIONS BY:

- Chief and Council, BNR Natural Resources, Batchewana First Nation
- Geoff Carnegie, Kathy Bolton, Scott Hossie and Kelly Matheson, BluEarth Renewables
- Bill Henderson, Lawyer
- Wayne Greer, Aboriginal Business Network

***Food and Refreshments Provided**

For more information contact Darrell Johnson: (705) 759-0914 ext 251

**Batchewana First Nation Community Engagement/Open House
Bow Lake Wind Farm – BluEarth Renewables Inc.**

Agenda

Locations:

Goulais Bay, Annex, November 21, 2011

January 16, 2012

Batchewana Bay, CO Somes Community Centre, November 22, 2011

Rankin, Rankin Arena, November 23, 2011

January 17, 2012

Open House 1 - 4

Information Sessions 6 - 9

Chair: Bill Henderson

Opening Prayer – Elder to be Determined

Opening Remarks – Chief Dean Sayers

Information Sessions 6 - 9

General Information

Bow Lake Wind Farm -

BluEarth Renewable Energy Inc.

Questions and Answers

Appendix “M”

BNR Commercial Timber Harvest Reports



BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

RANKIN RESERVE 15D

GOULAIS BAY RESERVE 15D

OBADJIWAN RESERVE 15D

WHITEFISH ISLAND 15D

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Batchewana BNR

Date; May 29/12

Location; Mile 67 Road-Carp Lake Road – Sill Lake

Reason; Site visit to see BFN cuts and Hanson and Tregoning cut

Temperature; +14 Celsius , light clouds , cool , scattered light showers

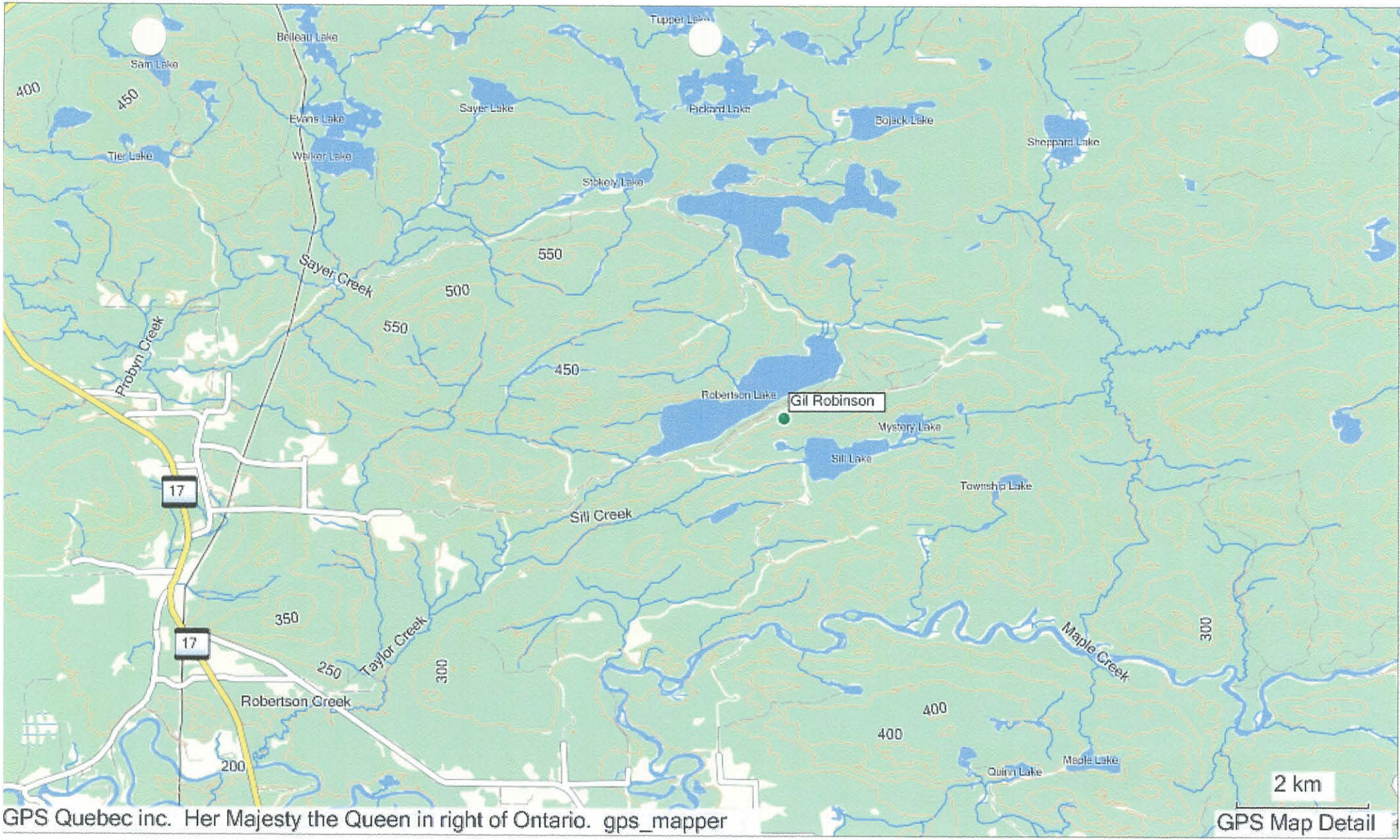
Field workers; Vic Bolduc – Dave Sewell – Greg Scheifele forestry expert

On May 29/12 Dave Sewell Greg Scheifele and myself went to do inspections on BFN cuts presently in court over charges layed by the MNR in the Carp Lake Road and the Robertson Lake area . Cutters who were charged were Gil Robinson, Clinton Robinson and Phil Swanson . We also looked at a recent cut on the Mile 67 road in about 9 km. We think it's under Henson and Tregoning 's License .

The first cuts that we visited were BFN cuts on the Carp Lake Road, both sites looked good, Greg said that cuts were still fully stocked. These were Clinton Robinson and Phil Swanson's cuts. The next site we went to was on mile 67 Road, this the second site inspection that was completed on this cut. The landing area was a complete mess. The landing was at least 300 meters in length and an average of 50 meters wide. A bulldozer was used to widen road with no concern over any environmental issue. Merchantable trees were pushed over and left. The person operating the dozer pushed soil everywhere in piles and openings for no apparent reason. They should keep this guy away from the controls of any equipment, he is no operator. Dave counted about 30 skid trails entering this landing. High stumps were quite visible in and along roadway. A large amount of butt logs are also along the full length of the landing on both sides. Merchantable timber was still left scattered on landing. Because we were restricted to time we did not have time to go into the actual cut, but from where we did walk there was residual damage as well as rutting. This cut was done with a buncher and a grapple skidder . It is highly recommended that we do another indebt inspection in the next two weeks at the latest. There were no logs piled for delivery on the landing and all equipment was pulled out. This cut is very high on non compliance issues and is very obvious cut inspections were not done by the MNR or the SFL and if they were then the inspectors should also be put into noncompliance as well. If this is the way this operator cuts he should not be allowed to cut on any license any were in Ontario. I also recommend that we request the cut inspections done on this site from the SFL and the MNR. If they do not give us this information a formal request should be put forward to Jennifer Tremblay to do this for us. Greg had never seen such a mess in his career as a registered forester.

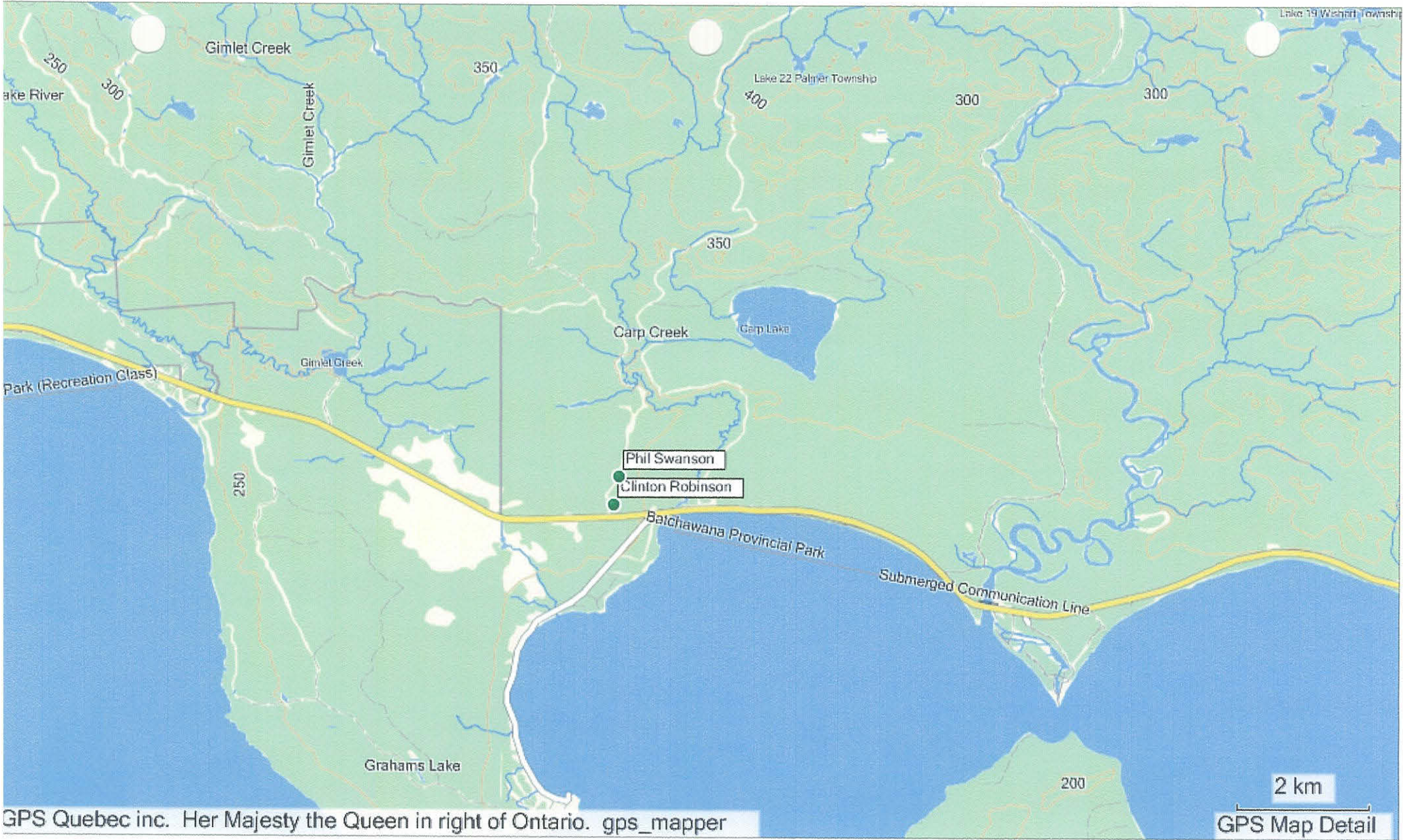
The last site we went to was on the Robertson Lake road, this is where Gil Robinson was charged. Dave, Greg and myself walked portions of cut and had a hard time finding anything wrong. There was a small amount of scuffing and shallow skidder ruts along skid way, this was all operational and very minimal. All the landings on the BFN cuts were 90% clean of any butt logs and tops. A couple of small By had broken tops on one of Gil's landings close to roadway, it is apparent they were broke when timber was being loaded by the trucker with the Prentice loader swinging logs onto truck . Overall BFM cutters done a very good job.

Vic Bolduc



GPS Quebec inc. Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario. gps_mapper

GPS Map Detail



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LOGGING

Project Name EXPERT WITNESS - LOGGING CASEDate: MAY 29/12Field Personnel: DAVE SEWELL + VIC BOLDUC.Client Personnel: GREG SCHEIFELE

Weather Conditions:

Temp:

+11 CELSIUS

Wind:

SLIGHT
WIND

Cloud:

PARTLY
CLOUDY

PPT:

NIL

PPT in last 24
hrs:RAIN
OVER WHITEStart Time: 9:00

End Time: _____

Description of Area Searched (map attached):

- CARP
LAKE
ROAD {
- GREG TOOK SOME PICTURE
 - STOPPED AT CLINT + PHIL'S CUTS, FARS T
 - BUSH IN GOOD SHAPE
 - LOTS OF REGEN.

Location	Time	Species	Habitat Description	Comments
<u>1/2 MILE 67 ROAD</u>		<u>MOOSE</u>		<u>TRACKS.</u>

Signature: _____

(Field Personnel)

Signature: _____

(Project Manager)

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ROBERTSON LAKE

- GREG TOOK PICTURE OF LANDINGS + BUSH AREA
- NOT TOO MANY SKID TRAILS
- BUSH IS IN GOOD SHAPE
- LANDINGS NICE AND CLEAN.

MILE 67 CROWN CUT

- 7 TO 8 ACERS OF LANDING AREA
- LOTS OF MERCHANTABLE WOOD LEFT AT LANDINGS
- SKIDDER TRAILS COMING OUT OF BUSH EVERY WHERE.
- TREE LENGTHS LEFT ON TRAILS AND AT LANDING
- 200 METERS OF ROADWAY I COUNTED OVER 30 SKID TRAIL COMING FROM THE BUSH TO THE ROAD
- CLEAR CUT AREA ROUGHLY 50 TO 70 METER WIDE
- STUMPS ARE ~~NOT~~ TOO HIGH



This is a landing that runs a distance of 300 meters or more by 50 to 75 meters wide





This picture shows more merchantable left at the landing.



...and more stumps and more waist tui practice.



This picture shows how the bull dozer pushed roadways making a mess of the grounds and scaring trees.



and a project to remove trees and stumps with high stumps and leaving merchantable trees on site.



More destruction caused by machinery



This is a picture of one of the skid-ways with a total of 30 or more in a 300 meter distance.



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Batchewana BNR

Date; May 08/12

Location; Mile 67 road – Slater and Smilsky Townships

Reason; Cut Inspection

Temperature; +8 Celsius a bit foggy on trip , partly sunny on cut block

Field workers; Vic Bolduc – Dave Sewell – Craig Howard - Smartwood

On May 08/12 Dave Sewell , Craig Howard from Smartwood and myself went to mile 67 road to do an inspection on a cut block at km 9 . We walked the block and noticed non compliance issues were ever we went. The first thing we seen was a lot of butt logs on landings along the roadway, there was a mixture of tops and log butt ends in large messy piles. As we proceeded into the actual cut area, skid trails with major rutting were very visible, in my opinion as well as Dave's there were too many skid trails. The skidder operators used low areas to run skid trails causing major rutting throughout cut site, no attempts were made to put brush in the trails to minimize site damage. One skid trail was in a wet area through the edge of a wildlife habitat. There were skid trails along side of each other going around residual trees, causing scuffing and root damage. The skidder operator pushed a few merchantable trees over and never returned to pick it up, logs were left in the skid ways everywhere, hitches of trees along bush lines and in the block were not yet picked up. Cutters are still in the area. There was a bit of scuffing throughout area we inspected mostly along skid trails. Noticed skid trails that had more than 90 degree turns.

We only saw a couple of trees with butt paint on them, unable to tell if cutters were following the actual site prescription. Some areas looked heavier cut than others, there was also an area not cut about ½ a hectare in size. On west side of cut there was an existing road that the licensee pushed open with a dozer, white pine, spruce and some hardwood trees all merchantable were uprooted and pushed aside . A bank about 5 to 6 feet in height was pushed all along the roadway. Borrow pits were also pushed out and used to construct road, 2 to 3 pits. Road is running in a southerly direction.

Weather conditions were good, light clouds with a temperature of plus 12 Celsius, wind conditions were calm, Moose sign (tracks) were seen throughout cut block. Lots browse material as well as wildlife sheltered areas. No other signs of other wildlife seen.

Vic Bolduc – Dave Sewell

First stake - geo reference station
BL0+00@ road
Tile map 16 – utm – 0673756 – 5211142

Second stake – geo reference station
Base line @ road #2
Tile map - utm- 0673449 - 521172

We also located two posts with aluminum tags they may be the corner posts, they are located along the roadway.

Note: There were no Batchewana First Nation members working on site.

Weather conditions were poor, overcast with intermittent rain, temp. 8 Celsius. Couple of good moose habitats in area, one large swampy pond and an area where the old tailings are near their bunk trailers. Looks like an old wet area previous to mine work. Plenty of browsing materials in the area.

Vic Bolduc May 03/12



These first two pictures are of the skid way leading to the main road (Mile 67)



At the time of our site visit to this area we noted that there was a lot of merchantable wood lying along skid trails in the bush which is located at KM 9 on the Montreal River road.



We do not know if these logs will be left there or be picked up at a later date. The BNR department will visit the site again next week and we will keep you updated



BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

RANKIN RESERVE 15 D
GOULAIS BAY RESERVE 15 A
OBADJIWAN RESERVE 15 E
WHITEFISH ISLAND 15

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Batchewana Traditional Territory, ON P6A 5K9

Batchewana BNR

Date: April 2, 2012

Location: Mile 67 Road (Smilsky Township)

Reason: Logging Operation

Field work done by Dave Sewell

On March 29, 2012 I travelled up to the Mile 67 Road in the Smilsky Township to investigate a logging operation taken place in that area. Roughly 9 km north of Hi-way 17 there is a lot of cutting that is being done or has been done since January, 2012. The bush in this area is stripped of all hardwoods; this would include veneer, saw logs, hardwood pulp and firewood. The stands of wood in this area are mostly Maple and Birch. All that is left standing is the smaller Maple and Birch hardwoods with a BHD (breast height diameter) of no bigger than 13 or 14 inch. This bush will not be ready for another harvest for 50 or 60 years from the time it was cut and that is not guaranteed. The way they cut this bush they did a lot of damage to the area. They are cutting and piling up the hardwood like it was pulp and that's not good for a hardwood stand. I added some pictures for your viewing.



Skid trails coming out of the bush



Notice how small and scarce the trees are





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29th June 2010

Attention: Chief Anita Stephens
Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm Documents Forthcoming for Your Review

Dear Chief,

This letter is to inform you of our proposal to develop a wind farm in the Bow Lake area near Montreal River, 80 km north of Sault Ste Marie. This project is undergoing a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, and it is a requirement of this process that detailed reports evaluating the potential impacts of this project will be made available to all interested parties in the coming months for review.

The total capacity for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1 is 20 MW, and the current REA application is for this first phase. (Phases 2a and 2b are also being proposed at 20 MW each. We will be lodging a further application for Phase 2 as soon as we can but this letter relates specifically to Phase 1.)

To comply with the formal requirements of the REA process we will be holding a public meeting in September this year at which representatives of our company and our environmental consultants M.K. Ince and Associates will be present to share the results of assessments performed in support of the project's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application, and to address any questions or comments you may have about the project.

We invite and encourage you and any interested members of your community to attend this event. A notice of the date and time of this public meeting will be sent to you shortly.

We will be sending you the following draft assessment reports for your review within the coming weeks:

Construction Plan Report describing the nature, location, and timing of all activities associated with construction of the wind farm and associated infrastructure. The report also addresses potential negative effects within 300 m of such activities and mitigation measures relating to these potential effects.

Decommissioning Plan Report describing plans for the eventual decommissioning of the wind farm, including procedures for dismantling the facilities, managing excess materials and waste, and restoring any land or water negatively affected by the facility.

Design and Operations Report, including:

- a Site Plan with supporting maps, diagrams, and descriptions identifying project components and nearby residences or significant habitats, features, or properties;
- conceptual plans, specifications, and descriptions relating to the design and to the operation of the facility, including any applicable water takings and any waste or contaminants;
- an environmental effects monitoring plan setting out performance objectives with respect to potential negative environmental effects, as well as mitigation measures, a proposed monitoring program, and contingency measures in case of failure of mitigation measures; and
- a response plan indicating how the project owner/operator can be contacted, how correspondence will be recorded and addressed, and measures for providing information to the public, aboriginal communities, and planning boards about the project.

Natural Heritage Assessment and Water Assessment Reports detailing the presence of natural features including wetlands, significant wildlife habitat, lakes, streams and other water bodies within vicinity of the proposed wind farm infrastructure, and assessing any impacts of the projects on these features. The Natural Heritage Reports will also contain information on species at risk in the vicinity of the project.

Wind Turbine Specifications Report indicating make, model, name plate capacity, hub height above grade, rotation speeds and acoustic emissions data as provided by the turbine manufacturer.

Archaeological Assessment, Bird Monitoring, Bat Monitoring, Visual Impact and Radio Communication Impact Assessment Reports will also be provided.

As outlined in the Ontario Ministry of Environment's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Rules (O.Reg. 359/09), the above-listed reports will be included in the Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Application. For your reference, we have also enclosed with this letter the **Draft Bow Lake Wind Farm Project Description Report**, which will also be submitted as part of the REA Application. Further details on the required contents of these reports can be found in Table 1 of the REA Rules (O.Reg. 359/09).

Once you have received the above-listed documents, we invite you to make them available to your members. There will be a 60 day public review period in which to review these documents prior to the public meeting. Based on the assessments performed to date, no adverse impacts to aboriginal or treaty rights are anticipated from the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm.

If, having reviewed these documents, any member of your community has any additional information that you feel should be considered in the Renewable Energy

Approval application, particularly with respect to adverse impacts the Bow Lake Wind Farm may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those impacts, we respectfully request that you provide this to us in writing, as well as through our ongoing discussions.

We look forward to discussing the Bow Lake Wind Farm with you further. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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From: Kevin O'Donovan [kevin.odonovan@vortexwind.ca]
Sent: 04 November 2010 12:08
To: 'chapleauojibwe@onlink.net'
Subject: for attn of Chief Stephens - Bow Lake Wind Farm

Dear Chief Stephens,

My name is Kevin O'Donovan and I am writing on behalf of a company called Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. who is developing a wind farm near Montreal River called Bow Lake. We have written (please see copy of letter) to you previously in relation to the development of a wind farm at the Bow Lake site. We also included with our letter the draft Project Description Report which gives details on the project.

Since I have not received a response to our letter, I am writing again to see if you have had time to review the letter and Project Description Report?

I would be grateful if you could respond to this email.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd.

Phase 2

Meteorological Towers Testing Project

Consultation Package

As Required Under Section 5.2.1.2

MNR Approvals and Permitting Requirements Document for
Renewable Energy Projects

Aboriginal Communities Circulated to:

Michipicoten First Nation

Batchewana First Nation

Garden River First Nation

Chapleau Ojibwe First Nations

Historic Sault Ste Marie Métis Council

Métis Nation of Ontario

November 30, 2010



Project Description

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. Phase 2

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Introduction:

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. proposes the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 in the District of Algoma, Ontario, 80 kilometres north of Sault Ste Marie and 8 km east of Montreal River Harbour. The proposed 40 MW wind energy project will include 25 wind turbine generators and associated roads and electrical infrastructure.

The proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 would be located in the townships of Smilsky and Peever, in the District of Algoma, Ontario. The wind farm will be a Class 4 wind facility as defined in O.Reg. 359/09. The Bow Lake Wind Farm will be built primarily on Crown Land.

In support of the project two meteorological towers are proposed for erection within the Phase 2 site boundaries. The renewable energy testing project will consist of a multi section steel meteorological tower of up to 80 metres in overall height, supported by a number of guy wires. Attached to the tower will be multi level booms with anemometers and wind vanes for measuring wind speed and direction. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. No other infrastructure or structures are required for the operation of the tower. The towers will be erected to confirm wind turbine output during project commissioning and operating stages with actual wind speeds.

The Bow Lake Wind Farm project is a Green Energy project within the province of Ontario. The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Approval for Permitting Requirements Document for Renewable Energy Projects will be used for the approval of the installation of this testing equipment. Specifically Section 5.1: Testing projects on crown land where no construction of a transportation system is required.

Figure 1 shows the general location of the Bow Lake Wind Farm and the two meteorological towers.

Tower Locations and Access:

One tower will be located within Phase 2a (P2a) at UTM 687513E, 5233680N, Peever Township the other within Phase 2b (P2b) at UTM 689017E, 5228919N, Smilsky Township. See Figure 1: Bow Lake Anemometer Tower Locations; P2a, P2b. Each location will be cleared of standing tress and shrubs to ground level within a circular area of 100m radius. This will be accomplished with the use of chain saws and 4x4 “quad” bikes.

The towers are located in proximity to a system of old logging trails and good all weather surfaced roads. Access to the sites off the old logging roads will be accomplished with 4x4 “quad” trail bikes or snow machine as the weather dictates. The bikes will be used firstly to transport men and clearing equipment and subsequently the various components of the tower. This method has been used successfully in the past and does not require construction of new transportation systems. The bikes are of size and strength capabilities to maneuver off road with little damage to existing forest growth. No water crossings will be required at either location.

Method of Installation:

The installation of the tower and mounting of instrumentation will be accomplished by a field crew of approximately 4 personnel using winches and gin poles to achieve mechanical advantage and without the use of cranes. Full installation including anchors and towers is likely to take 5 days subject to weather conditions. Erection must be halted during period of high winds or lightning.

Tower Dimensions:

Constructed of steel sections the towers will be up to 80 m in height and held in position by a series of steel guy wires attached at load points out to a radius of up to 50metres. The guy wires will be attached to ground anchors designed for the specific soil or rock conditions at the point of location. The tower will be protected from lightning strikes by a lightning rod, grounding wire and earth stakes.

Timing and Duration of Operation:

The tower locations have been selected to be close to existing forest access trails so that access can be achieved for installation throughout the year either via snow sled or ATV. However, it is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is

proposed that the installation would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower.

Since the tower sites are on the same centre coordinates as proposed wind turbines the towers will be decommissioned but the site reused for the wind turbines. The towers will be disassembled and removed from the site for use elsewhere.

Operation of the Towers:

Once installed and its instrumentation satisfactorily commissioned no on site personnel are required. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. Field inspections will be conducted at regular periods (usually monthly) to inspect for evidence of damage and to re-tension guy wires as necessary.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the land clearing and installation phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the quads and chainsaws will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

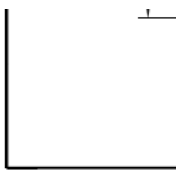
Once the towers are operational there will be regular visits made to ensure the site continues to perform as intended and is having no detrimental effect on the surrounding environment.

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Site Plan

The site plan on the following page depicts an elevation and plan view of a typical 80-metre tower installation. The tower is centered on the cleared circular area of 100m radius and secured with a system of guy wires and anchors as shown.



Endangered Species Act, 2007

Species at Risk (SAR) Review

Field Investigations:

Field investigations were completed throughout the proposed site of the Bow Lake Wind Farm development between September 27 and October 29, 2010. The assessment for the meteorological towers included the 100m radius circular area of the proposed location, as well as an additional buffer of 120m. Field investigations were performed in order to gather information on existing conditions and to specifically identify any species or habitat protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) on or within 120m of the proposed site.

Background Information:

A review of the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) database was conducted to identify any potential rare or sensitive species in the area. Records within a 1km square of both the Phase 2a (P2a) and Phase 2b (P2b) meteorological towers revealed the potential presence of Boreal Bedstraw and Braun's Holly Fern. Boreal Bedstraw is assigned a ranking of S2 (Very rare in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Braun's Holly Fern is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario).

The MNR's All Values Map and Critical Values Map were also reviewed for the Bow Lake area. The data contained within these maps is derived from the MNR's Natural Resources and Values Information System (NRVIS). No significant values including Species at Risk (SAR) were identified on these maps for the area of investigation.

Existing Environment:

It should be noted that due to the timing of the project (outside of flowering season for plants, migratory nesting season for birds, etc.), a full inventory of plants, terrestrial habitat and aquatic features could not be completed and therefore the scope of the investigation focused on general features and composition only.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2a (P2a)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple (*Acer sp.*), white birch (*Betula papyrifera*) and yellow birch (*Betula alleghaniensis*). The understory was limited and consisted of small red maple, ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Mixedwood and mainly coniferous communities appeared to be present within the lowland areas and consisted of species such as eastern white cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*), balsam fir (*Abies balsamea*), white spruce (*Picea glauca*) and occasional eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*).

There was no evidence of wildlife noted throughout the study area at the time of field investigations. A small cold water lake was noted on the outer edge of the 120m buffer west of the proposed tower location.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry (*Vaccinium ovalifolium*) was observed within the outer edge of the 120m buffer near the lake.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2b (P2b)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple, white birch and yellow birch. Coniferous species including eastern white pine, white spruce, eastern white cedar and balsam fir were noted in lowland areas. The understory consisted of small red maple, mountain maple (*Acer spicatum*), ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Patches of wild red raspberry (*Rubus idaeus ssp. melanolasius*) and common blackberry (*Rubus allegheniensis*) were also noted throughout this location.

Evidence of moose (*Alces alces*) was noted within the study area in the way of browse and tracks. Two moose were observed within a similar community east of the study area. No areas of significant aquatic habitat were noted within the study area.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry was observed northwest of the proposed tower location (within the 100m x100m boundary).

Species or Habitat Protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA):

No species or habitat that would be protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) were noted throughout the study area for either meteorological tower (Phase 2a and Phase 2b).

Oval-leaved bilberry was observed within the study area associated with the meteorological tower in Phase 2a and Phase 2b. Oval-leaved bilberry is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Although it is not considered a Species at Risk (SAR) and protected under the ESA, general mitigation will be outlined below as a best management practice (BMP) to afford protection for the species.

Environmental Impacts and Mitigation:

It is expected that a permanent loss of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground cover) will result from the clearing of land in the area directly associated with the meteorological towers (Circular area of 100m radius).

Efforts should be taken to clear only the trees and shrubs necessary to fulfill project requirements, wherever possible and to use seed mix and species common to Ontario for restorative planting if choosing to rehabilitate disturbed areas.

As oval-leaved bilberry was identified within the 100m radius area around the Phase 2b Meteorological Tower, it is expected that the species will be removed due to clearing. In order to minimize impacts to oval-leaved bilberry in this area, it is recommended that the methods outlined within the MNR's Bilberry Relocation Procedure are followed in order to transplant the species to similar habitat in the surrounding area. Oval-leaved bilberry was also identified within the 120m buffer outside of the area to be cleared for the Phase 2a Meteorological Tower. As it has been observed within the general area, it is recommended that workers are trained to identify the species. Should it be identified within the area to be cleared, the Relocation Procedure will, again, be utilized.

The clearing of trees and vegetation will also result in a loss of wildlife habitat, specifically for moose in the area of the Phase 2b meteorological tower and birds in the area of both meteorological towers. The clearing of trees and vegetation during the migratory nesting period could also result in the loss of active bird nests and young birds which is illegal under the Migratory Birds Convention Act (MBCA). In order to minimize impacts, clearing should only occur where necessary to minimize the loss of habitat as much as possible and restorative planting using native species should be done wherever possible. All clearing during the migratory bird nesting season (May 5 to August 10) should be avoided. If clearing will occur during these times, a pre-clearing check should be undertaken by a qualified individual with experience in avian nesting habits for the presence of migratory bird nests before tree removal. If a species protected under the MBCA is identified during the pre-clearing check, a permit will need to be obtained from the Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS) to allow for the nest to be destroyed. This is conditional upon the stage of the nesting birds. The MNR should also be consulted regarding the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act (FWCA), if any species are found to be nesting within the project limits during the pre-clearing check.

As no aquatic habitat was identified within the study area of either meteorological tower, there are no expected impacts to fish habitat.

Decommissioning Plan

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Decommissioning Plan

Decommissioning of Anemometer Towers:

Each of the two anemometer towers is centered on the future base of a wind turbine. It is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is proposed that the installations would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower. The decommissioning is therefore planned for 2013.

The towers will be disassembled as the development of the Phase 2 wind farm progresses. It is anticipated at the time of decommissioning the road access network associated with the wind turbines of Phase 2 will be established and the use of a small crane or boom truck will be utilized to aid in the disassembly of the two towers. The recording equipment will be removed and the masts of the towers broken down into the individual segments. These along with the guy wires and anchors will be removed from the site.

Site rehabilitation will not be necessary, as the wind turbines will require the “foot print” of the meteorological towers in their installation.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the disassembling and removal phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the equipment will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

Request for Information

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Request for Information

The proponent formally requests from your community any information available to the community that, in its opinion, should be considered in preparing a document as part of the testing project submission to the MNR, and in particular, any information the community may have about any 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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January 27, 2011

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Attention: Chief Anita Stephens

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Documents for Your Review

Dear Chief,

As you may be aware, M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd. has been contracted to undertake assessments and prepare reports required under the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) regulations (O.Reg. 359/09) for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1. We are pleased to enclose draft copies of the reports for your review.

We will be holding public meetings in April this year at which representatives of our company and the project developers will be present to further discuss the results of the studies and the reports, and the project in general. Between now and then there is a formal public review period, during which you are invited to review the reports and submit any questions or comments you have to us. Please find the formal notice of the meetings enclosed.

Following the public review period and the public meetings we will be revising the draft reports to incorporate the results of the public consultation, and preparing a formal Public Consultation report. As required by the regulation, the enclosed reports contain drafts of all the reports that will eventually be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment in the application for a Renewable Energy Approval for the wind farm, with the exception of the forthcoming Public Consultation Report. If it is agreeable to your community, we invite you to make the documents available in your community for review during the public review period.

We look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming public meetings. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

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June 10, 2011

Please find enclosed information for an aggregate licence application for the Radon Aggregate Pit made to the Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) under the Ontario Aggregate Resources Act.

Included in this package are:

- Form 1- Notice of Application for a Licence
- Form 2 Notice of Public Information Session
- “Complete Application” Letter from Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources
- Site Drawings
 - 1 of 4: Existing Conditions Plan
 - 2 of 4: Operation and Progressive Rehabilitation Plan
 - 3 of 4: Final Rehabilitation Plan
 - 4 of 4: Site Standards Notes
- Natural Environment Level 1 Report
- Groundwater Summary Statement
- Stage One Cultural Heritage Report

The MNR has directed this information be distributed to you for your perusal and comments.

Written comments will be accepted until July 29, 2011.

Regards,

Gary MacKay, P.Eng.
Project Manager
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July 30, 2012
File: 160960734

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Attention: Chief Anita Stephens

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

Dear Chief Stephens,

Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. (collectively "Bow Lake") are proposing to develop Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm respectively (collectively the "Project") , north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma. Correspondence regarding the Project was originally sent to you in 2010 under the guidance of the Renewable Energy Approvals "REA" regulation O. Reg. 359/09 ("The Regulation"). The most recent project update was sent to you by Bow Lake on July 10, 2012. The Regulation was also updated in July 2012, and the purpose of this letter is to provide the community with an additional update on the status of the Project.

In an effort to meet the requirements of the 2012 Regulation, going forward Bow Lake will be seeking one renewable energy approval for the entire Project. This represents a new approach and a departure from the former pursuit of separate renewable energy approvals for each Phase of the Project. There have been no material changes to the project location or design, and the Project is not being expanded beyond the original Phase 1 and Phase 2 proposals – those proposals are merely being combined into one REA Application.

Bow Lake is re-issuing the Notice of a Proposal and the Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project to all stakeholders and Aboriginal communities, and a new Draft Project Description Report combining both phases has also been prepared (attached). Bow Lake has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. ("Stantec") to complete the appropriate natural heritage studies and to provide support in obtaining the necessary permits required for the Project.

The Regulation requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports prior to the final Public Meeting. As such, we are respectfully requesting that the Chapleau Ojibway First Nation provide us in writing any information available to your community that in your opinion should be considered by Bow Lake in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the draft REA reports prior to the final public meeting, we request that you provide comments prior to September 15, 2012.

July 30, 2012
Page 2 of 2

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

Attached to this letter, please find a copy of the Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting and a copy of the Draft Project Description Report for the Project; the same may also be found on the Project website.

The Notice will be published in local newspapers starting on July 31st, 2012. Please let us know if:

- You would also like a copy of the Notice to be published in a newspaper within your community; and,
- You agree to make a paper copy of the Draft Project Description Report available in the community (if so, we will send you an additional copy to display at a location of your choice).

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Attachment: Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting
Draft Project Description Report



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October 9, 2012
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Attention: Chief Anita Stephens

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Chief Stephens,

We are writing to share updated information with you on the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm, located north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma.

As you may be aware, Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. have finalized an agreement with the Batchewana First Nation (BFN) which will see the BFN included as economic partners in the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm. As a result of this agreement, new corporate partnerships will now develop the Bow Lake Wind Farm. Going forward Nodin Kitagan Limited Partnership and Nodin Kitagan 2 Limited Partnership, through their General Partners Shongwish Nodin Kitagan GP Corp. and Shongwish Nodin Kitagan 2 GP Corp (the "Proponent") will be developing Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm (collectively the "Project"), respectively. The English name of the Project remains the Bow Lake Wind Farm, however the BFN know and refer to the Project as *Chinodin Chigumi Nodin Kitagan*.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Attached to this letter, please find a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting and a copy of the Draft REA Report Package for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Included with this letter is a Project Summary Report which provides a summary of each REA document also attached to this letter. The Draft REA documents are being made available to the public, including your First Nation, at least 60 days before the Project's final Public Meeting (scheduled for December 13, 2012). As such, we are respectfully requesting that you provide us in writing any information available to your community that in your opinion should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the First Nation may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the REA reports, we request that you provide comments on or prior to December 13, 2012.

October 9, 2012

Page 2 of 2

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Please let us know if:

- You would like a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting to be published in a newspaper within your community; and
- You would like us to make a paper copy of the draft REA reports and/or the Project Summary Report available within your community for public viewing (if so, we will send you a copy to display at a location of your choice). Please note that the reports will be made available on the Project website (www.blueearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind)

If you feel it would be helpful for members of the Project team to visit your community to share information about the Project, please let us know by October 19, 2012, as we would be happy to work with you to arrange an appropriate information session.

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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November 28, 2012
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Attention: Chief Anita Stephens

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Reminder: Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Chief Stephens,

We are writing to follow up on our letter addressed to you dated October 9th in regards to the Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package and Project Summary Report.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. In particular, any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. Included with the letter dated October 9th were the Project Summary Report and Draft REA Reports. To date, we have not received any comments from the community regarding the draft reports or the Public Meeting. In order for comments to be incorporated into the draft reports, comments must be received on or prior to **December 13, 2012**.

The Final Public Meeting for the Project will be held as follows:

Date: December 13, 2012

Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Place: Aweres Public School, 185 #556 Highway, RR2, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Date: __04 December 2012__

Type of contact with landowner/stakeholder: meeting __ phone __X__

Name of landowner/stakeholder: Cheif Anita Stephens, Chapleau Ojibway First Nation

Who initiated contact: BluEarth X Landowner/stakeholder __

Name of BluEarth representative: Bryan Tripp

Summary of Conversation; specifically identify any issues/concerns raised; mitigation offered by BluEarth

Call placed to Chief Stephens to follow up on the Project letter sent on November 28.

Left voicemail for Chief Stephens indicating that Bow Lake Wind Farm was looking to discuss the Project with the Chapleau Ojibway in order to gather feedback on the proposed wind farm as part of the FN engagement activities for the REA approval. I offered to arrange a meeting in Wawa on December 18 with Chief and Council to further discuss the project, if such a meeting was desired and requested that Chief Stephens call back to further discuss the project and a potential meeting.

Bryan Tripp

BluEarth Representative

Land-/Stakeholder (if meeting)



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Attention: Chief Anita Stephens

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Upcoming submission of REA application

We are writing to share updated information with you on the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm, located north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma. Nodin Kitagan Limited Partnership and Nodin Kitagan 2 Limited Partnership, through their General Partners Shongwish Nodin Kitagan GP Corp. and Shongwish Nodin Kitagan 2 GP Corp (the "Proponent") will be developing Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm (collectively the "Project"), respectively.

The Proponent and the study team are finalizing the environmental and technical reports that will be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. It is anticipated the REA application will be submitted to the MOE at the end of January, 2013.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. To date we have not received any communication from your First Nation. Your comments must be received by January 23, 2013 to ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the REA reports.

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Chief Lyle Sayers
June 27, 2007

Should a company be granted the Applicant of Record status, it does not permit for Crown land alterations or improvements, and is not a form of tenure. It simply allows the company to begin the planning process required to assess the feasibility of a potential wind farm on the lands within the Applicant of Record area. If a company determines they wish to proceed to development, a comprehensive Environmental Assessment process, including further consultation will be required.

I would like to emphasize that at this time, the Ministry is proposing only to grant Applicant of Record status to these companies. Future activities by these companies on the Applicant of Record lands will require additional permits and approvals from this Ministry which will be subject to public and aboriginal consultation.

I am interested to hear from you as to what, if any effects the proposed Applicant of Record status on these lands may have on your community and its aboriginal or treaty rights. Should you wish, I can be available to meet with you and any community members to discuss your concerns.

If you would like to provide comments on any of these proposals or arrange a meeting to discuss them, a response by July 31, 2007, would be appreciated to assist us in a timely review of this proposal.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sheila Walsh, Acting District Planner in Sault Ste. Marie, (705-941-5128), or Kip Bradfield, Resource Liaison Specialist (705-941-5118).

Sincerely,



Trevor Woods
District Manager
Sault Ste. Marie District

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Enclosure: SSM District Overview Map of Wind Power Applications
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-06, 07, 08
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-12
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-14
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-17

c: Kip Bradfield, Resource Liaison Specialist, Sault Ste. Marie District
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June 29, 2007

Garden River First Nation
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Dear Chief Sayers:

SUBJECT: Proposed Applicant of Record Status for Wind Power Application - Multiple Townships in Sault Ste. Marie District

The Ministry of Natural Resources, Sault Ste. Marie District, is proposing to provide Applicant of Record status to several companies for wind power applications they have submitted in townships north of Sault Ste. Marie. The table below summarizes the companies involved and the location of their respective wind applications. The attached maps also illustrate the location of these wind power applications.

In January 2007, this office provided you with notification of a proposed Applicant of Record status for another Brookfield wind power application (No. WP-2006-11) in Nicolet Township. This current letter addresses six additional applications, two of which are from Brookfield Power, three from Gilead Power, and one from Vortex Development Ltd. Refer to the accompanying overview map to see these wind application locations in broader context. Maps showing the location of each of these individual applications in more detail are also provided.

Company	Application No.	Township(s)
Brookfield Power	WP-2006-12	Labonte Tp Smilsky Tp
	WP-2006-14	Nicolet Tp Smilsky Tp
Gilead Power	WP-2006-06	Smilsky Tp
	WP-2006-07	Slater Tp
	WP-2006-08	Kincaid Tp Nicolet Tp
Vortex Development Ltd.	WP-2006-17	Smilsky Tp Peever Tp

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29th June 2010

Attention: Chief Lyle Sayers, Garden River First Nation
Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm Documents Forthcoming for Your Review

Dear Chief,

This letter is to inform you of our proposal to develop a wind farm in the Bow Lake area near Montreal River, 80 km north of Sault Ste Marie. This project is undergoing a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, and it is a requirement of this process that detailed reports evaluating the potential impacts of this project will be made available to all interested parties in the coming months for review.

The total capacity for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1 is 20 MW, and the current REA application is for this first phase. (Phases 2a and 2b are also being proposed at 20 MW each. We will be lodging a further application for Phase 2 as soon as we can but this letter relates specifically to Phase 1.)

To comply with the formal requirements of the REA process we will be holding a public meeting in September this year at which representatives of our company and our environmental consultants M.K. Ince and Associates will be present to share the results of assessments performed in support of the project's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application, and to address any questions or comments you may have about the project.

We invite and encourage you and any interested members of your community to attend this event. A notice of the date and time of this public meeting will be sent to you shortly.

We will be sending you the following draft assessment reports for your review within the coming weeks:

Construction Plan Report describing the nature, location, and timing of all activities associated with construction of the wind farm and associated infrastructure. The report also addresses potential negative effects within 300 m of such activities and mitigation measures relating to these potential effects.

Decommissioning Plan Report describing plans for the eventual decommissioning of the wind farm, including procedures for dismantling the facilities, managing excess materials and waste, and restoring any land or water negatively affected by the facility.

Design and Operations Report, including:

- a Site Plan with supporting maps, diagrams, and descriptions identifying project components and nearby residences or significant habitats, features, or properties;
- conceptual plans, specifications, and descriptions relating to the design and to the operation of the facility, including any applicable water takings and any waste or contaminants;
- an environmental effects monitoring plan setting out performance objectives with respect to potential negative environmental effects, as well as mitigation measures, a proposed monitoring program, and contingency measures in case of failure of mitigation measures; and
- a response plan indicating how the project owner/operator can be contacted, how correspondence will be recorded and addressed, and measures for providing information to the public, aboriginal communities, and planning boards about the project.

Natural Heritage Assessment and Water Assessment Reports detailing the presence of natural features including wetlands, significant wildlife habitat, lakes, streams and other water bodies within vicinity of the proposed wind farm infrastructure, and assessing any impacts of the projects on these features. The Natural Heritage Reports will also contain information on species at risk in the vicinity of the project.

Wind Turbine Specifications Report indicating make, model, name plate capacity, hub height above grade, rotation speeds and acoustic emissions data as provided by the turbine manufacturer.

Archaeological Assessment, Bird Monitoring, Bat Monitoring, Visual Impact and Radio Communication Impact Assessment Reports will also be provided.

As outlined in the Ontario Ministry of Environment's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Rules (O.Reg. 359/09), the above-listed reports will be included in the Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Application. For your reference, we have also enclosed with this letter the **Draft Bow Lake Wind Farm Project Description Report**, which will also be submitted as part of the REA Application. Further details on the required contents of these reports can be found in Table 1 of the REA Rules (O.Reg. 359/09).

Once you have received the above-listed documents, we invite you to make them available to your members. There will be a 60 day public review period in which to review these documents prior to the public meeting. Based on the assessments performed to date, no adverse impacts to aboriginal or treaty rights are anticipated from the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm.

If, having reviewed these documents, any member of your community has any additional information that you feel should be considered in the Renewable Energy

Approval application, particularly with respect to adverse impacts the Bow Lake Wind Farm may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those impacts, we respectfully request that you provide this to us in writing, as well as through our ongoing discussions.

We look forward to discussing the Bow Lake Wind Farm with you further. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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Subject: For attn of Chief Sayers - Bow Lake Wind Farm

Dear Chief Sayers,

My name is Kevin O'Donovan and I am writing on behalf of a company called Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. who is developing a wind farm near Montreal River called Bow Lake. We have written (please see copy of letter) to you previously in relation to the development of a wind farm at the Bow Lake site. We also included with our letter the draft Project Description Report which gives details on the project.

Since I have not received a response to our letter, I am writing again to see if you have had time to review the letter and Project Description Report?

I would be grateful if you could respond to this email.

Regards,

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Subject: FW: For attn of Chief Sayers - Bow Lake Wind Farm

Tyana,

Further to our telephone conversation earlier today please see below the email I sent to you earlier this month. I have also attached the letter I sent to the Chief during the summer. I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this email and pass on the information to the Chief.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd.

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Subject: For attn of Chief Sayers - Bow Lake Wind Farm

Dear Chief Sayers,

My name is Kevin O'Donovan and I am writing on behalf of a company called Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. who is developing a wind farm near Montreal River called Bow Lake. We have written (please see copy of letter) to you previously in relation to the development of a wind farm at the Bow Lake site. We also included with our letter the draft Project Description Report which gives details on the project.

Since I have not received a response to our letter, I am writing again to see if you have had time to review the letter and Project Description Report?

I would be grateful if you could respond to this email.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd.

Phase 2

Meteorological Towers Testing Project

Consultation Package

As Required Under Section 5.2.1.2

MNR Approvals and Permitting Requirements Document for
Renewable Energy Projects

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Batchewana First Nation

Garden River First Nation

Chapleau Ojibwe First Nations

Historic Sault Ste Marie Métis Council

Métis Nation of Ontario

November 30, 2010



Project Description

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. Phase 2

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Introduction:

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. proposes the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 in the District of Algoma, Ontario, 80 kilometres north of Sault Ste Marie and 8 km east of Montreal River Harbour. The proposed 40 MW wind energy project will include 25 wind turbine generators and associated roads and electrical infrastructure.

The proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 would be located in the townships of Smilsky and Peever, in the District of Algoma, Ontario. The wind farm will be a Class 4 wind facility as defined in O.Reg. 359/09. The Bow Lake Wind Farm will be built primarily on Crown Land.

In support of the project two meteorological towers are proposed for erection within the Phase 2 site boundaries. The renewable energy testing project will consist of a multi section steel meteorological tower of up to 80 metres in overall height, supported by a number of guy wires. Attached to the tower will be multi level booms with anemometers and wind vanes for measuring wind speed and direction. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. No other infrastructure or structures are required for the operation of the tower. The towers will be erected to confirm wind turbine output during project commissioning and operating stages with actual wind speeds.

The Bow Lake Wind Farm project is a Green Energy project within the province of Ontario. The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Approval for Permitting Requirements Document for Renewable Energy Projects will be used for the approval of the installation of this testing equipment. Specifically Section 5.1: Testing projects on crown land where no construction of a transportation system is required.

Figure 1 shows the general location of the Bow Lake Wind Farm and the two meteorological towers.

Tower Locations and Access:

One tower will be located within Phase 2a (P2a) at UTM 687513E, 5233680N, Peever Township the other within Phase 2b (P2b) at UTM 689017E, 5228919N, Smilsky Township. See Figure 1: Bow Lake Anemometer Tower Locations; P2a, P2b. Each location will be cleared of standing tress and shrubs to ground level within a circular area of 100m radius. This will be accomplished with the use of chain saws and 4x4 “quad” bikes.

The towers are located in proximity to a system of old logging trails and good all weather surfaced roads. Access to the sites off the old logging roads will be accomplished with 4x4 “quad” trail bikes or snow machine as the weather dictates. The bikes will be used firstly to transport men and clearing equipment and subsequently the various components of the tower. This method has been used successfully in the past and does not require construction of new transportation systems. The bikes are of size and strength capabilities to maneuver off road with little damage to existing forest growth. No water crossings will be required at either location.

Method of Installation:

The installation of the tower and mounting of instrumentation will be accomplished by a field crew of approximately 4 personnel using winches and gin poles to achieve mechanical advantage and without the use of cranes. Full installation including anchors and towers is likely to take 5 days subject to weather conditions. Erection must be halted during period of high winds or lightning.

Tower Dimensions:

Constructed of steel sections the towers will be up to 80 m in height and held in position by a series of steel guy wires attached at load points out to a radius of up to 50metres. The guy wires will be attached to ground anchors designed for the specific soil or rock conditions at the point of location. The tower will be protected from lightning strikes by a lightning rod, grounding wire and earth stakes.

Timing and Duration of Operation:

The tower locations have been selected to be close to existing forest access trails so that access can be achieved for installation throughout the year either via snow sled or ATV. However, it is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is

proposed that the installation would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower.

Since the tower sites are on the same centre coordinates as proposed wind turbines the towers will be decommissioned but the site reused for the wind turbines. The towers will be disassembled and removed from the site for use elsewhere.

Operation of the Towers:

Once installed and its instrumentation satisfactorily commissioned no on site personnel are required. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. Field inspections will be conducted at regular periods (usually monthly) to inspect for evidence of damage and to re-tension guy wires as necessary.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the land clearing and installation phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the quads and chainsaws will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

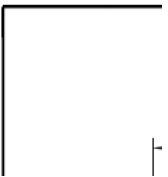
Once the towers are operational there will be regular visits made to ensure the site continues to perform as intended and is having no detrimental effect on the surrounding environment.

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Site Plan

The site plan on the following page depicts an elevation and plan view of a typical 80-metre tower installation. The tower is centered on the cleared circular area of 100m radius and secured with a system of guy wires and anchors as shown.



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Endangered Species Act, 2007

Species at Risk (SAR) Review

Field Investigations:

Field investigations were completed throughout the proposed site of the Bow Lake Wind Farm development between September 27 and October 29, 2010. The assessment for the meteorological towers included the 100m radius circular area of the proposed location, as well as an additional buffer of 120m. Field investigations were performed in order to gather information on existing conditions and to specifically identify any species or habitat protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) on or within 120m of the proposed site.

Background Information:

A review of the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) database was conducted to identify any potential rare or sensitive species in the area. Records within a 1km square of both the Phase 2a (P2a) and Phase 2b (P2b) meteorological towers revealed the potential presence of Boreal Bedstraw and Braun's Holly Fern. Boreal Bedstraw is assigned a ranking of S2 (Very rare in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Braun's Holly Fern is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario).

The MNR's All Values Map and Critical Values Map were also reviewed for the Bow Lake area. The data contained within these maps is derived from the MNR's Natural Resources and Values Information System (NRVIS). No significant values including Species at Risk (SAR) were identified on these maps for the area of investigation.

Existing Environment:

It should be noted that due to the timing of the project (outside of flowering season for plants, migratory nesting season for birds, etc.), a full inventory of plants, terrestrial habitat and aquatic features could not be completed and therefore the scope of the investigation focused on general features and composition only.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2a (P2a)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple (*Acer sp.*), white birch (*Betula papyrifera*) and yellow birch (*Betula alleghaniensis*). The understory was limited and consisted of small red maple, ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Mixedwood and mainly coniferous communities appeared to be present within the lowland areas and consisted of species such as eastern white cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*), balsam fir (*Abies balsamea*), white spruce (*Picea glauca*) and occasional eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*).

There was no evidence of wildlife noted throughout the study area at the time of field investigations. A small cold water lake was noted on the outer edge of the 120m buffer west of the proposed tower location.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry (*Vaccinium ovalifolium*) was observed within the outer edge of the 120m buffer near the lake.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2b (P2b)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple, white birch and yellow birch. Coniferous species including eastern white pine, white spruce, eastern white cedar and balsam fir were noted in lowland areas. The understory consisted of small red maple, mountain maple (*Acer spicatum*), ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Patches of wild red raspberry (*Rubus idaeus ssp. melanolasius*) and common blackberry (*Rubus allegheniensis*) were also noted throughout this location.

Evidence of moose (*Alces alces*) was noted within the study area in the way of browse and tracks. Two moose were observed within a similar community east of the study area. No areas of significant aquatic habitat were noted within the study area.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry was observed northwest of the proposed tower location (within the 100m x100m boundary).

Species or Habitat Protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA):

No species or habitat that would be protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) were noted throughout the study area for either meteorological tower (Phase 2a and Phase 2b).

Oval-leaved bilberry was observed within the study area associated with the meteorological tower in Phase 2a and Phase 2b. Oval-leaved bilberry is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Although it is not considered a Species at Risk (SAR) and protected under the ESA, general mitigation will be outlined below as a best management practice (BMP) to afford protection for the species.

Environmental Impacts and Mitigation:

It is expected that a permanent loss of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground cover) will result from the clearing of land in the area directly associated with the meteorological towers (Circular area of 100m radius). Efforts should be taken to clear only the trees and shrubs necessary to fulfill project requirements, wherever possible and to use seed mix and species common to Ontario for restorative planting if choosing to rehabilitate disturbed areas.

As oval-leaved bilberry was identified within the 100m radius area around the Phase 2b Meteorological Tower, it is expected that the species will be removed due to clearing. In order to minimize impacts to oval-leaved bilberry in this area, it is recommended that the methods outlined within the MNR's Bilberry Relocation Procedure are followed in order to transplant the species to similar habitat in the surrounding area. Oval-leaved bilberry was also identified within the 120m buffer outside of the area to be cleared for the Phase 2a Meteorological Tower. As it has been observed within the general area, it is recommended that workers are trained to identify the species. Should it be identified within the area to be cleared, the Relocation Procedure will, again, be utilized.

The clearing of trees and vegetation will also result in a loss of wildlife habitat, specifically for moose in the area of the Phase 2b meteorological tower and birds in the area of both meteorological towers. The clearing of trees and vegetation during the migratory nesting period could also result in the loss of active bird nests and young birds which is illegal under the Migratory Birds Convention Act (MBCA). In order to minimize impacts, clearing should only occur where necessary to minimize the loss of habitat as much as possible and restorative planting using native species should be done wherever possible. All clearing during the migratory bird nesting season (May 5 to August 10) should be avoided. If clearing will occur during these times, a pre-clearing check should be undertaken by a qualified individual with experience in avian nesting habits for the presence of migratory bird nests before tree removal. If a species protected under the MBCA is identified during the pre-clearing check, a permit will need to be obtained from the Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS) to allow for the nest to be destroyed. This is conditional upon the stage of the nesting birds. The MNR should also be consulted regarding the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act (FWCA), if any species are found to be nesting within the project limits during the pre-clearing check.

As no aquatic habitat was identified within the study area of either meteorological tower, there are no expected impacts to fish habitat.

Decommissioning Plan

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Decommissioning Plan

Decommissioning of Anemometer Towers:

Each of the two anemometer towers is centered on the future base of a wind turbine. It is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is proposed that the installations would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower. The decommissioning is therefore planned for 2013.

The towers will be disassembled as the development of the Phase 2 wind farm progresses. It is anticipated at the time of decommissioning the road access network associated with the wind turbines of Phase 2 will be established and the use of a small crane or boom truck will be utilized to aid in the disassembly of the two towers. The recording equipment will be removed and the masts of the towers broken down into the individual segments. These along with the guy wires and anchors will be removed from the site.

Site rehabilitation will not be necessary, as the wind turbines will require the “foot print” of the meteorological towers in their installation.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the disassembling and removal phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the equipment will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

Request for Information

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Request for Information

The proponent formally requests from your community any information available to the community that, in its opinion, should be considered in preparing a document as part of the testing project submission to the MNR, and in particular, any information the community may have about any 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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January 27, 2011

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Attention: Chief Lyle Sayers

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Documents for Your Review

Dear Chief,

As you may be aware, M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd. has been contracted to undertake assessments and prepare reports required under the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) regulations (O.Reg. 359/09) for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1. We are pleased to enclose draft copies of the reports for your review.

We will be holding public meetings in April this year at which representatives of our company and the project developers will be present to further discuss the results of the studies and the reports, and the project in general. Between now and then there is a formal public review period, during which you are invited to review the reports and submit any questions or comments you have to us. Please find the formal notice of the meetings enclosed.

Following the public review period and the public meetings we will be revising the draft reports to incorporate the results of the public consultation, and preparing a formal Public Consultation report. As required by the regulation, the enclosed reports contain drafts of all the reports that will eventually be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment in the application for a Renewable Energy Approval for the wind farm, with the exception of the forthcoming Public Consultation Report. If it is agreeable to your community, we invite you to make the documents available in your community for review during the public review period.

We look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming public meetings. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

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Attention: Chief Lyle Sayers

June 10, 2011

Please find enclosed information for an aggregate licence application for the Radon Aggregate Pit made to the Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) under the Ontario Aggregate Resources Act.

Included in this package are:

- Form 1- Notice of Application for a Licence
- Form 2 Notice of Public Information Session
- “Complete Application” Letter from Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources
- Site Drawings
 - 1 of 4: Existing Conditions Plan
 - 2 of 4: Operation and Progressive Rehabilitation Plan
 - 3 of 4: Final Rehabilitation Plan
 - 4 of 4: Site Standards Notes
- Natural Environment Level 1 Report
- Groundwater Summary Statement
- Stage One Cultural Heritage Report

The MNR has directed this information be distributed to you for your perusal and comments.

Written comments will be accepted until July 29, 2011.

Regards,

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April 12, 2012

RE: Bow Lake Wind Farm

Dear Ministers Bradley and Gravelle,

I have been advised by Chief Dean Sayers of Batchewana First Nation that their council is working on a project with Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. (collectively "BLWFL") in developing Bow Lake Wind Farm.

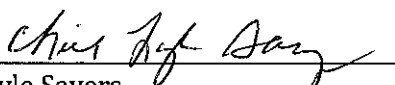
Batchewana First Nation Chief and Council as well as partners from BLWFL have conducted meaningful engagement with myself and provided sufficient information regarding the project.

I understand that Ontario's Ministry of the Environment requires projects such as this to submit renewable energy and crown land approval documents as well as other regulatory filings, and I would like to formally state that Garden River has no interest in participating in the Bow Lake Wind Farm.

Furthermore I would like to formally notify you, on behalf of Garden River First Nation that we fully endorse Batchewana First Nation and BLWFL's proposed project. In the interest of mutual respect and shared values for our fellow First Nation we will work toward progressing this project by any means necessary.

I anticipate your government's formal acknowledgement of this notice, and would like to see BFN/BLWFL's project expedited now that I have clarified Garden River's position on the matter.

Respectfully,
On behalf of Garden River First Nation,


Chief Lyle Sayers



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Attention: Chief Lyle Sayers

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

Dear Chief Sayers,

As the Garden River First Nation is aware, Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. (collectively "Bow Lake") are proposing to develop Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm respectively (collectively the "Project") , north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma. Correspondence regarding the Project was originally sent to the Nation in 2008 under Ontario Regulation 116.01, and since 2010 under the guidance of the Renewable Energy Approvals "REA" regulation O. Reg. 359/09 "The Regulation". The Regulation has since been updated in July 2012 and the purpose of this letter is to provide the community with an update on the status of the Project.

In an effort to meet the requirements of the 2012 Regulation, going forward Bow Lake will be seeking one renewable energy approval for the entire Project. This represents a new approach and a departure from the former pursuit of separate renewable energy approvals for each Phase of the Project. There have been no material changes to the project location or design, and the Project is not being expanded beyond the original Phase 1 and Phase 2 proposals – those proposals are merely being combined into one REA Application.

Bow Lake is re-issuing the Notice of a Proposal and the Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project to all stakeholders and Aboriginal communities, and a new Draft Project Description Report combining both phases has also been prepared (attached). Bow Lake has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. ("Stantec") to complete the appropriate natural heritage studies and to provide support in obtaining the necessary permits required for the Project. The Regulation requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports prior to the final Public Meeting. On April 12, 2012 a letter was sent by Chief Lyle Sayers to the Minister of Environment and Minister of Natural Resources indicating that the Garden River First Nation has been provided with meaningful engagement and sufficient information regarding the Project, , and that the Garden River First Nation have no interest in participating in the Bow Lake Wind Farm. As Bow Lake is re-issuing the Notice of Proposal, we are respectfully requesting that you provide us in writing any new or additional information available to your community that in your opinion should be considered by Bow Lake in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any information or comments you may provide can be

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Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

incorporated into the draft REA reports prior to the final public meeting, we request that you respond prior to September 15, 2012.

Attached to this letter, please find a copy of the Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting and a copy of the Draft Project Description Report for the Project; the same may also be found on the Project website.

The Notice will be published in local newspapers starting on July 31, 2012. Please let us know if:

- You would also like a copy of the Notice to be published in a newspaper within your community; and,
- You agree to make a paper copy of the Draft Project Description Report available in the community (if so, we will send you an additional copy to display at a location of your choice).

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Respectfully,

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Attachment: Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting
Draft Project Description Report



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Attention: Chief Lyle Sayers

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Chief Sayers,

We are writing to share updated information with you on the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm, located north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma.

As you may be aware, Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. have finalized an agreement with the Batchewana First Nation (BFN) which will see the BFN included as economic partners in the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm. As a result of this agreement, new corporate partnerships will now develop the Bow Lake Wind Farm. Going forward Nodin Kitagan Limited Partnership and Nodin Kitagan 2 Limited Partnership, through their General Partners Shongwish Nodin Kitagan GP Corp. and Shongwish Nodin Kitagan 2 GP Corp (the "Proponent") will be developing Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm (collectively the "Project"), respectively. The English name of the Project remains the Bow Lake Wind Farm, however the BFN know and refer to the Project as *Chinodin Chigumi Nodin Kitagan*.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Attached to this letter, please find a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting and a copy of the Draft REA Report Package for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Included with this letter is a Project Summary Report which provides a summary of each REA document also attached to this letter. The Draft REA documents are being made available to the public, including your First Nation, at least 60 days before the Project's final Public Meeting (scheduled for December 13, 2012). As such, we are respectfully requesting that you provide us in writing any information available to your community that in your opinion should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the First Nation may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the REA reports, we request that you provide comments on or prior to December 13, 2012.

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Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Please let us know if:

- You would like a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting to be published in a newspaper within your community; and
- You would like us to make a paper copy of the draft REA reports and/or the Project Summary Report available within your community for public viewing (if so, we will send you a copy to display at a location of your choice). Please note that the reports will be made available on the Project website (www.blueearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind)

If you feel it would be helpful for members of the Project team to visit your community to share information about the Project, please let us know by October 19, 2012, as we would be happy to work with you to arrange an appropriate information session.

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Attention: Chief Lyle Sayers

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Reminder: Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Chief Sayers,

We are writing to follow up on our letter addressed to you dated October 9th in regards to the Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package and Project Summary Report.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. In particular, any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. Included with the letter dated October 9th were the Project Summary Report and Draft REA Reports. In order for comments to be incorporated into the draft reports, comments must be received on or prior to **December 13, 2012**.

The Final Public Meeting for the Project will be held as follows:

Date: December 13, 2012

Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Place: Aweres Public School, 185 #556 Highway, RR2, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Agenda
Bow Lake Wind Farm Project
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario
Monday May 31st, 2010

1. Opening Prayer
2. Introductions
3. LRC Branch presentation of Metis 101
4. Committee Chairperson Presentation of Metis history in the Sault area.
5. Presentation from Vortex Wind Power Ltd.
6. Future expansion plans for the Wind Farm Site
7. Future economic opportunities in light of the recent Government of Ontario announcements.
8. Question and answer period
9. Closing Prayer

Bow Lake Wind Farm

Introduction

Simon De Pietro 31st May, 2010

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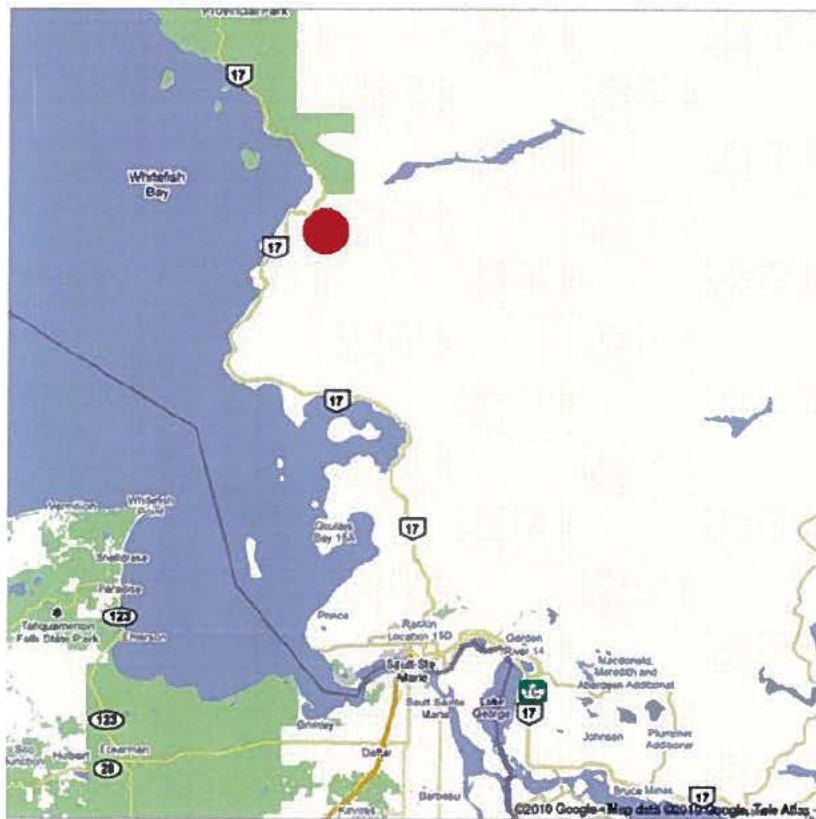
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- Vortex

- Began operations in Ontario in 2006
- Principals have developed over 550MW of wind in Ireland
- Strong Network of local consultants and advisors

- DP Energy

- Developing wind energy projects for over 20 years as independent developer, and owner/operator
- Delivered 180MW of built wind projects within Ireland and UK
- Currently developing wind and solar projects in other jurisdictions
 - Australia and the Americas
- Developing tidal energy power in Scotland and Ireland



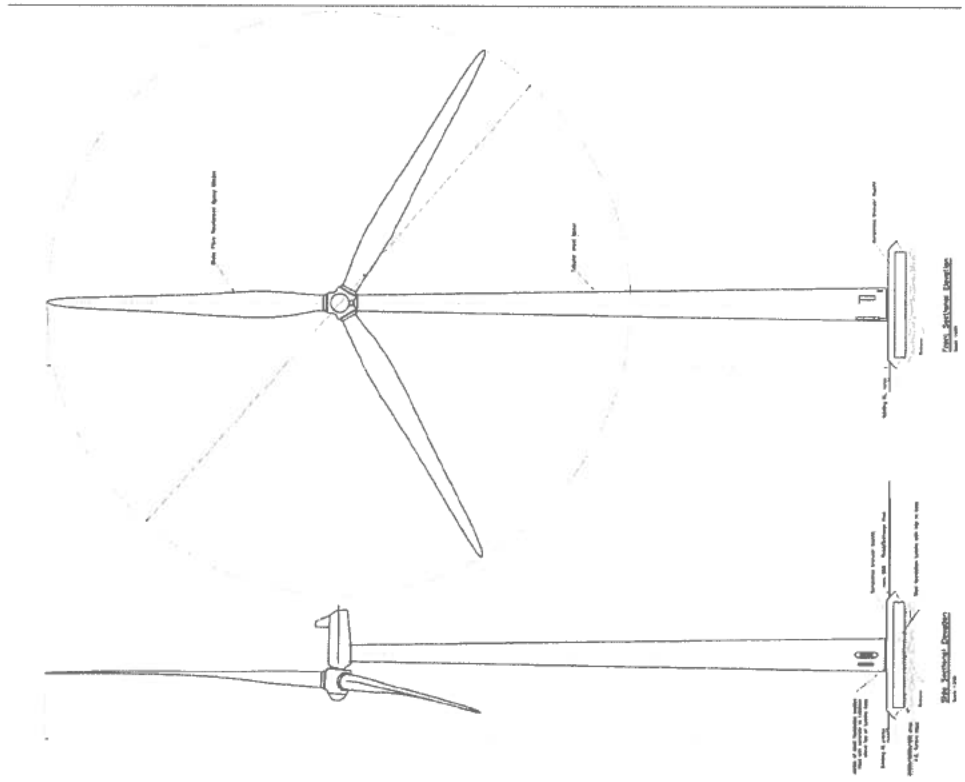
Project Area approx. 80 km north of Sault Ste. Marie, and 10 km east of Montreal River Harbour

Site Location – General



Site Location – Grid Connection and Access Roads

- Phase 1 (20MW)
 - 12 Turbines of around 2 MW installed capacity each
 - 100metres to hub height 90 - 100metres rotor diameter
 - Most of Environmental Works Complete
 - 'Scheduled' Commissioning Date May 2012
- Phase 2a b (40MW)
 - Up to 25 turbines of around 2 MW (similar machines)
 - Background Environmental Works Completed
 - Detailed Environmental Works Ongoing
 - 'Scheduled' Commissioning Date May 2013



- Environmental

- Much of area under commercial felling (Clerg)
- Very few residences within 10km
- Bat Hibernacula off to the west – old mine
- No signs peregrine/eagle nest sites within site
- Moose coverage – especially along wetlands
- Water setbacks/buffer zones important
- Ph 1 substantially complete
- Ph 2 ongoing but indications suggest no major issues
- REA process rather than EA

- Next Steps
 - Continued Environmental Works
 - Engineering Assessments – roads/bases/access routes
 - Grid Assessment and Design - GLP
 - Consultation
 - General Public
 - Metis and 1st Nations
 - Statutory and Non Statutory Bodies (Nav Canada etc)
 - REA application
 - Contracts – Turbine supply etc

June 4, 2010

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Subject: Historic Sault Ste. Marie Region Consultation Committee meeting May 31, 2010

Dear Simon:

On behalf of the Historic Sault Ste. Marie Region Consultation Committee (the "Committee"), I would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to meet with you on your project at Bow Lake. The consensus of the Committee was the meeting went very well and we look forward to continuing a positive relationship with DP Energy.

The Committee was encouraged to hear that DP Energy will not be using any herbicides or pesticides for vegetation control now or in the future at the Bow Lake site. Also your comments about the Bat Hibernacula were interesting. The Committee would like to explore the possibility of a joint venture between DP Energy, Historic Sault Ste. Marie Region Consultation Committee and one of the local High Schools. What we would be suggesting is the enhancement of habitat for the Bats. We could approach the school to make this part of the student's exercises for the upcoming fall semester. Students could participate from the understanding the biology of the animal, building bat boxes and installing them in locations to encourage the bats to stay in the area. To continue on the subject of wildlife, the Committee feels it is important that DP Energy take sometime to investigate the area further and examine if Raptor (Bald Eagle, Osprey) nesting is active in the proximity of the turbine locations. We hope that any turbine locations are at a minimum of one (1) kilometre away from the active nesting site.

As explained during the meeting access to the Bow Lake area is a concern to the Metis Harvesters. The Committee is hoping through continued conversation with DP Energy we can work out a satisfactory solution that will be acceptable to all. We believe this will be beneficial to all as DP Energy did express some level of concern about access to the turbine locations.

The Lands, Resource and Consultation Branch of the Metis Nation of Ontario are currently developing training guidelines for the Branch staff to conduct Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) studies within the Traditional Harvesting Territories. We, the Committee are hoping these guidelines will be available soon and so we can provide you with information on our traditional ways of life, which will assist you in future planning.

On the economic front the Committee would like to keep all lines of communication open on economic development. With the announcement by the Ontario Government on the Aboriginal Renewable Energy Fund the Committee would like to explore some type of opportunity with the assistance of DP Energy. It is our goal to be involved with Green Energy in and around the surrounding Sault Ste. Marie area. In stating that, we the Committee would be interested in signing a Memorandum of Understanding on Phase two of the Bow Lake Wind Farm Project with DP Energy and Vortex. The Committee is hoping that over the next month or two to compile a list of Metis Contractors and Individuals that can provide services to DP Energy or your General Contractor for the Bow Lake project.

In closing, the Committee believes the only impact to our way of life is land displacement, which has been addressed by you in your presentation. Also, from your presentation it is our understanding that Government regulations and legislation will be conformed too. The Committee would like to see an auditing system put in place to ensure that afore mentioned regulations receive the attention they deserve and maintain compliance.

If you require any additional information from the Committee please contact the staff support person for this file Alden Barty at 705-526-6335 ext. 210 or AldenB@metisnation.org .

Regards,

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Chairperson
Historic Sault Ste. Marie Region Consultation Committee

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Sent: Friday, June 25, 2010 3:31 PM
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Subject: Response letter
Attachments: Letter to DP Energy May 31, 2010 meeting.doc

Simon:

Attached is the response letter for the Meeting of May 31, 2010. I apologize for the delay. Hopefully everything is to your satisfaction

If you have any questions please contact me at your convenience.

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27th June 2010

BOW LAKE WIND FARM

Dear Art,

Thank you for your letter, and to the Committee for what was a useful and informative meeting.

As required by the Renewable Energy Application (REA) process our environmental consultants (MK Ince) will shortly be sending out the formal consultation letters on Phase 1 along with the 'Project Description'. In reality I'm not sure it will tell you an awful lot more than we have already discussed but it is the first formal stage in the process and has to be done in order to comply with the rules. You'll note that in this formal letter that the consultation party is actually Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1 Ltd (rather than either Vortex or DP Energy) since that's the applicant for the REA so all communication really should be addressed to that entity. (The REA is so new that everyone is keen that all consultations are done by the book).

In relation to your letter I'll address the points one at a time:

Bats: Yes we are very open to doing something positive with the Metis and one of the schools for enhancement of bat habitats. This is something we should discuss sooner rather than later to make sure we do the right things. I don't remember if I mentioned it in the meeting but bats populations across North America are under some considerable pressure from a fungal disease (White Nose Syndrome) the cause of which I believe is still unknown. I know there have been calls for moratoriums on caving etc and clearly we don't want to do anything which would make this worse.

Raptors: I've asked our ecologists to review the raptor surveys and possible nesting sites we've conducted to date and to look at those proposed for Phase 2. Once I have more information here I will report back their findings.

Access: I understand your concern to be the potential for increase hunting pressure on the area resulting from easier access and hence your preference for the site to be gated. Our preference also would be to close off the wind farm to limit access but as I understand it we will not be allowed to gate any existing roads on Crown Land. As regards new roads there may be an opportunity to close off these new roads and I will put this back to the MNR for confirmation and to identify whether this would cause any

new problems.

Traditional Ecological Knowledge: I look forward to receiving a copy of your guidelines.

Economic Development: As we discussed I think there is certainly potential for working together on Green Energy projects within the Sault Ste Marie area whether they be wind, solar, hydro or other renewable technologies. (Although our expertise to date has been largely wind we have been looking at other technologies for sometime). My feeling is that the Ontario Governments plans generally and specifically through the Aboriginal RE Fund are positive in this respect.

In relation to Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1 and 2 perhaps when you have a compiled list of Metis contractors/individuals we could meet and discuss this further. The more detail we have about their contracting experience, equipment and manpower the better.

Government Regulations and Legislation: Given that the vast majority of the proposal lies on Crown Land the process will be administered and controlled by both the MNR (environmental and land release), and the REA permission will be issued by the MOE. It's likely any permissions will be given with conditions to ensure compliance but I can find out more about this if necessary.

Yours sincerely,

Simon De Pietro

Your Ref:
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29th June 2010

Attention: Alden Barty, Historic Sault Ste Marie Metis Council
Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm Documents Forthcoming for Your Review

Dear Alden,

As you are aware from our discussions we propose to develop a wind farm in the Bow Lake area near Montreal River, 80 km north of Sault Ste Marie. This project is undergoing a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, and it is a requirement of this process that detailed reports evaluating the potential impacts of this project will be made available to all interested parties in the coming months for review.

The total capacity for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1 is 20 MW, and the current REA application is for this first phase. (Phases 2a and 2b are also being proposed at 20 MW each. We will be lodging a further application for Phase 2 as soon as we can but this letter relates specifically to Phase 1.)

To comply with the formal requirements of the REA process we will be holding a public meeting in September this year at which representatives of our company and our environmental consultants M.K. Ince and Associates will be present to share the results of assessments performed in support of the project's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application, and to address any questions or comments you may have about the project.

We invite and encourage you and any interested members of your community to attend this event. A notice of the date and time of this public meeting will be sent to you shortly.

We will be sending you the following draft assessment reports for your review within the coming weeks:

Construction Plan Report describing the nature, location, and timing of all activities associated with construction of the wind farm and associated infrastructure. The report also addresses potential negative effects within 300 m of such activities and mitigation measures relating to these potential effects.

Decommissioning Plan Report describing plans for the eventual decommissioning of the wind farm, including procedures for dismantling the facilities, managing excess materials and waste, and restoring any land or water negatively affected by the facility.

Design and Operations Report, including:

- a Site Plan with supporting maps, diagrams, and descriptions identifying project components and nearby residences or significant habitats, features, or properties;
- conceptual plans, specifications, and descriptions relating to the design and to the operation of the facility, including any applicable water takings and any waste or contaminants;
- an environmental effects monitoring plan setting out performance objectives with respect to potential negative environmental effects, as well as mitigation measures, a proposed monitoring program, and contingency measures in case of failure of mitigation measures; and
- a response plan indicating how the project owner/operator can be contacted, how correspondence will be recorded and addressed, and measures for providing information to the public, aboriginal communities, and planning boards about the project.

Natural Heritage Assessment and Water Assessment Reports detailing the presence of natural features including wetlands, significant wildlife habitat, lakes, streams and other water bodies within vicinity of the proposed wind farm infrastructure, and assessing any impacts of the projects on these features. The Natural Heritage Reports will also contain information on species at risk in the vicinity of the project.

Wind Turbine Specifications Report indicating make, model, name plate capacity, hub height above grade, rotation speeds and acoustic emissions data as provided by the turbine manufacturer.

Archaeological Assessment, Bird Monitoring, Bat Monitoring, Visual Impact and Radio Communication Impact Assessment Reports will also be provided.

As outlined in the Ontario Ministry of Environment's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Rules (O.Reg. 359/09), the above-listed reports will be included in the Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Application. For your reference, we have also enclosed with this letter the **Draft Bow Lake Wind Farm Project Description Report**, which will also be submitted as part of the REA Application. Further details on the required contents of these reports can be found in Table 1 of the REA Rules (O.Reg. 359/09).

Once you have received the above-listed documents, we invite you to make them available to your members. There will be a 60 day public review period in which to review these documents prior to the public meeting. Based on the assessments performed to date, no adverse impacts to aboriginal or treaty rights are anticipated from the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm.

If, having reviewed these documents, any member of your community has any additional information that you feel should be considered in the Renewable Energy

Approval application, particularly with respect to adverse impacts the Bow Lake Wind Farm may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those impacts, we respectfully request that you provide this to us in writing, as well as through our ongoing discussions.

We look forward to discussing the Bow Lake Wind Farm with you further. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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Subject: RE: Response letter
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Alden/All

I know our consultant is sending out a formal consultation letter as part of our specific obligations under the REA application but thought I'd draft one more directly related to your letter.

We are still pushing on with assessments etc and I'll let you know as soon as we are going to be back in the area and perhaps we can then talk further.

Regards

Simon

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Subject: Response to Letter dated June 27th, 2010

Dear Simon:

Thank you for your letter dated June 27th, 2010. The Committee was quite pleased to read that D P Energy is willing to work with us on all related matters.

Over the next few days the Committee will be in communication with the local high schools to see if there is interest in undertaking the Bats joint venture and having it added to the fall program. We will encourage all Students to come forward. We will keep you up to date on the progress of the project as information becomes available.

As many of the local Community Councils have scheduled meetings over the course of the summer, we will ask them to announce the opportunity to the local citizenship to see if there is interest in Contractors and Individuals to participate.

On the issue of access we believe it is important to keep all lines of communication open to suggestion. We understand it will be important to explore the best solution for everyone.

On the economic front again the Historic Sault Ste, Marie Region Consultation Committee is prepared to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with D P Energy, so potential opportunities can be moved forward. Attached for your reading pleasure is a new release on the Metis Nation of Ontario signing a MOU with Great Lakes Power Transmission a subsidiary of Brookfield Asset Management.

Again, the Committee looks forward to meeting with you in the near future. In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact the file holder for this project Alden Barty or AldenB@metisnation.org.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Bat box Project

Dear Joanne:

On behalf of the Historic Sault Ste. Marie Region Consultation Committee ("The Committee") I would like to thank you for responding to their inquiry. President Kim Powley has provided me with questions you would like answered and I will do my best to answer them.

Currently, the Committee is in conversation with DP Energy Inc. from Ireland on the Bow Lake Wind Farm Project, which is north of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. Studies have shown that Wind Farm Project influences bat habitat and morality. To accommodate the potential loss of animals we have suggested to DP Energy Inc. to partner in a project which would establish additional habitat and research where the best location for an additional Bat Hibernacula would be in the surrounding area. This is where the students would come in.

First, research what environment the animals prefer to live in. For example marshlands versus forested areas, highlands versus lowlands etc.

Second, some biology of the mammal to support the environment preferred.

Third, research on construct the bat boxes and determine the best size, best construction design for climate control, weatherproofing, best construction materials for longevity of the boxes.

Fourth, build the boxes.

Fifth, field trip for the installation of the boxes.

The Committee considers the development of a Bat Hibernacula as a "Green Project" and may assist the Board in this area. We feel this is a great opportunity for student involvement.

Of course, the Committee and DP Energy Inc. would ask the media to attend the installation of the boxes so the all involved would get recognition on the project. Does the School Board have conditions on how media event are handled (i.e. student release forms etc.)?

The Committee understands there will be a cost to the project and is asking if a draft cost budget (i.e. box materials, field trip transportation, refreshments, etc.) could be submit for review.

I hope, your questions have been answered. If you require additional information, please contact me at your convenience.

Best regards,

Alden Barty

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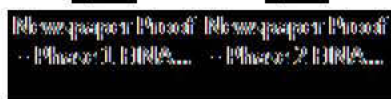
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Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd.

Phase 2

Meteorological Towers Testing Project

Consultation Package

As Required Under Section 5.2.1.2

MNR Approvals and Permitting Requirements Document for
Renewable Energy Projects

Aboriginal Communities Circulated to:

Michipicoten First Nation

Batchewana First Nation

Garden River First Nation

Chapleau Ojibwe First Nations

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November 30, 2010



Project Description

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. Phase 2

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Introduction:

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. proposes the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 in the District of Algoma, Ontario, 80 kilometres north of Sault Ste Marie and 8 km east of Montreal River Harbour. The proposed 40 MW wind energy project will include 25 wind turbine generators and associated roads and electrical infrastructure.

The proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 would be located in the townships of Smilsky and Peever, in the District of Algoma, Ontario. The wind farm will be a Class 4 wind facility as defined in O.Reg. 359/09. The Bow Lake Wind Farm will be built primarily on Crown Land.

In support of the project two meteorological towers are proposed for erection within the Phase 2 site boundaries. The renewable energy testing project will consist of a multi section steel meteorological tower of up to 80 metres in overall height, supported by a number of guy wires. Attached to the tower will be multi level booms with anemometers and wind vanes for measuring wind speed and direction. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. No other infrastructure or structures are required for the operation of the tower. The towers will be erected to confirm wind turbine output during project commissioning and operating stages with actual wind speeds.

The Bow Lake Wind Farm project is a Green Energy project within the province of Ontario. The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Approval for Permitting Requirements Document for Renewable Energy Projects will be used for the approval of the installation of this testing equipment. Specifically Section 5.1: Testing projects on crown land where no construction of a transportation system is required.

Figure 1 shows the general location of the Bow Lake Wind Farm and the two meteorological towers.

Tower Locations and Access:

One tower will be located within Phase 2a (P2a) at UTM 687513E, 5233680N, Peever Township the other within Phase 2b (P2b) at UTM 689017E, 5228919N, Smilsky Township. See Figure 1: Bow Lake Anemometer Tower Locations; P2a, P2b. Each location will be cleared of standing tress and shrubs to ground level within a circular area of 100m radius. This will be accomplished with the use of chain saws and 4x4 “quad” bikes.

The towers are located in proximity to a system of old logging trails and good all weather surfaced roads. Access to the sites off the old logging roads will be accomplished with 4x4 “quad” trail bikes or snow machine as the weather dictates. The bikes will be used firstly to transport men and clearing equipment and subsequently the various components of the tower. This method has been used successfully in the past and does not require construction of new transportation systems. The bikes are of size and strength capabilities to maneuver off road with little damage to existing forest growth. No water crossings will be required at either location.

Method of Installation:

The installation of the tower and mounting of instrumentation will be accomplished by a field crew of approximately 4 personnel using winches and gin poles to achieve mechanical advantage and without the use of cranes. Full installation including anchors and towers is likely to take 5 days subject to weather conditions. Erection must be halted during period of high winds or lightning.

Tower Dimensions:

Constructed of steel sections the towers will be up to 80 m in height and held in position by a series of steel guy wires attached at load points out to a radius of up to 50metres. The guy wires will be attached to ground anchors designed for the specific soil or rock conditions at the point of location. The tower will be protected from lightning strikes by a lightning rod, grounding wire and earth stakes.

Timing and Duration of Operation:

The tower locations have been selected to be close to existing forest access trails so that access can be achieved for installation throughout the year either via snow sled or ATV. However, it is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is

proposed that the installation would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower.

Since the tower sites are on the same centre coordinates as proposed wind turbines the towers will be decommissioned but the site reused for the wind turbines. The towers will be disassembled and removed from the site for use elsewhere.

Operation of the Towers:

Once installed and its instrumentation satisfactorily commissioned no on site personnel are required. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. Field inspections will be conducted at regular periods (usually monthly) to inspect for evidence of damage and to re-tension guy wires as necessary.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the land clearing and installation phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the quads and chainsaws will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

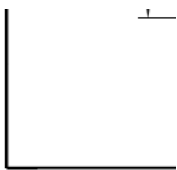
Once the towers are operational there will be regular visits made to ensure the site continues to perform as intended and is having no detrimental effect on the surrounding environment.

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Site Plan

The site plan on the following page depicts an elevation and plan view of a typical 80-metre tower installation. The tower is centered on the cleared circular area of 100m radius and secured with a system of guy wires and anchors as shown.



Endangered Species Act, 2007

Species at Risk (SAR) Review

Field Investigations:

Field investigations were completed throughout the proposed site of the Bow Lake Wind Farm development between September 27 and October 29, 2010. The assessment for the meteorological towers included the 100m radius circular area of the proposed location, as well as an additional buffer of 120m. Field investigations were performed in order to gather information on existing conditions and to specifically identify any species or habitat protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) on or within 120m of the proposed site.

Background Information:

A review of the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) database was conducted to identify any potential rare or sensitive species in the area. Records within a 1km square of both the Phase 2a (P2a) and Phase 2b (P2b) meteorological towers revealed the potential presence of Boreal Bedstraw and Braun's Holly Fern. Boreal Bedstraw is assigned a ranking of S2 (Very rare in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Braun's Holly Fern is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario).

The MNR's All Values Map and Critical Values Map were also reviewed for the Bow Lake area. The data contained within these maps is derived from the MNR's Natural Resources and Values Information System (NRVIS). No significant values including Species at Risk (SAR) were identified on these maps for the area of investigation.

Existing Environment:

It should be noted that due to the timing of the project (outside of flowering season for plants, migratory nesting season for birds, etc.), a full inventory of plants, terrestrial habitat and aquatic features could not be completed and therefore the scope of the investigation focused on general features and composition only.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2a (P2a)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple (*Acer sp.*), white birch (*Betula papyrifera*) and yellow birch (*Betula alleghaniensis*). The understory was limited and consisted of small red maple, ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Mixedwood and mainly coniferous communities appeared to be present within the lowland areas and consisted of species such as eastern white cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*), balsam fir (*Abies balsamea*), white spruce (*Picea glauca*) and occasional eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*).

There was no evidence of wildlife noted throughout the study area at the time of field investigations. A small cold water lake was noted on the outer edge of the 120m buffer west of the proposed tower location.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry (*Vaccinium ovalifolium*) was observed within the outer edge of the 120m buffer near the lake.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2b (P2b)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple, white birch and yellow birch. Coniferous species including eastern white pine, white spruce, eastern white cedar and balsam fir were noted in lowland areas. The understory consisted of small red maple, mountain maple (*Acer spicatum*), ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Patches of wild red raspberry (*Rubus idaeus ssp. melanolasius*) and common blackberry (*Rubus allegheniensis*) were also noted throughout this location.

Evidence of moose (*Alces alces*) was noted within the study area in the way of browse and tracks. Two moose were observed within a similar community east of the study area. No areas of significant aquatic habitat were noted within the study area.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry was observed northwest of the proposed tower location (within the 100m x100m boundary).

Species or Habitat Protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA):

No species or habitat that would be protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) were noted throughout the study area for either meteorological tower (Phase 2a and Phase 2b).

Oval-leaved bilberry was observed within the study area associated with the meteorological tower in Phase 2a and Phase 2b. Oval-leaved bilberry is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Although it is not considered a Species at Risk (SAR) and protected under the ESA, general mitigation will be outlined below as a best management practice (BMP) to afford protection for the species.

Environmental Impacts and Mitigation:

It is expected that a permanent loss of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground cover) will result from the clearing of land in the area directly associated with the meteorological towers (Circular area of 100m radius). Efforts should be taken to clear only the trees and shrubs necessary to fulfill project requirements, wherever possible and to use seed mix and species common to Ontario for restorative planting if choosing to rehabilitate disturbed areas.

As oval-leaved bilberry was identified within the 100m radius area around the Phase 2b Meteorological Tower, it is expected that the species will be removed due to clearing. In order to minimize impacts to oval-leaved bilberry in this area, it is recommended that the methods outlined within the MNR's Bilberry Relocation Procedure are followed in order to transplant the species to similar habitat in the surrounding area. Oval-leaved bilberry was also identified within the 120m buffer outside of the area to be cleared for the Phase 2a Meteorological Tower. As it has been observed within the general area, it is recommended that workers are trained to identify the species. Should it be identified within the area to be cleared, the Relocation Procedure will, again, be utilized.

The clearing of trees and vegetation will also result in a loss of wildlife habitat, specifically for moose in the area of the Phase 2b meteorological tower and birds in the area of both meteorological towers. The clearing of trees and vegetation during the migratory nesting period could also result in the loss of active bird nests and young birds which is illegal under the Migratory Birds Convention Act (MBCA). In order to minimize impacts, clearing should only occur where necessary to minimize the loss of habitat as much as possible and restorative planting using native species should be done wherever possible. All clearing during the migratory bird nesting season (May 5 to August 10) should be avoided. If clearing will occur during these times, a pre-clearing check should be undertaken by a qualified individual with experience in avian nesting habits for the presence of migratory bird nests before tree removal. If a species protected under the MBCA is identified during the pre-clearing check, a permit will need to be obtained from the Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS) to allow for the nest to be destroyed. This is conditional upon the stage of the nesting birds. The MNR should also be consulted regarding the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act (FWCA), if any species are found to be nesting within the project limits during the pre-clearing check.

As no aquatic habitat was identified within the study area of either meteorological tower, there are no expected impacts to fish habitat.

Decommissioning Plan

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Decommissioning Plan

Decommissioning of Anemometer Towers:

Each of the two anemometer towers is centered on the future base of a wind turbine. It is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is proposed that the installations would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower. The decommissioning is therefore planned for 2013.

The towers will be disassembled as the development of the Phase 2 wind farm progresses. It is anticipated at the time of decommissioning the road access network associated with the wind turbines of Phase 2 will be established and the use of a small crane or boom truck will be utilized to aid in the disassembly of the two towers. The recording equipment will be removed and the masts of the towers broken down into the individual segments. These along with the guy wires and anchors will be removed from the site.

Site rehabilitation will not be necessary, as the wind turbines will require the “foot print” of the meteorological towers in their installation.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the disassembling and removal phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the equipment will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

Request for Information

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Request for Information

The proponent formally requests from your community any information available to the community that, in its opinion, should be considered in preparing a document as part of the testing project submission to the MNR, and in particular, any information the community may have about any 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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January 27, 2011

Ms. Kim Powley, President
Historic Sault Ste. Marie Metis Council
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Attention: Ms. Kim Powley, President
Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Documents for Your Review

Dear Ms. Powley,

As you may be aware, M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd. has been contracted to undertake assessments and prepare reports required under the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) regulations (O.Reg. 359/09) for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1. We are pleased to enclose draft copies of the reports for your review.

We will be holding public meetings in April this year at which representatives of our company and the project developers will be present to further discuss the results of the studies and the reports, and the project in general. Between now and then there is a formal public review period, during which you are invited to review the reports and submit any questions or comments you have to us. Please find the formal notice of the meetings enclosed.

Following the public review period and the public meetings we will be revising the draft reports to incorporate the results of the public consultation, and preparing a formal Public Consultation report. As required by the regulation, the enclosed reports contain drafts of all the reports that will eventually be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment in the application for a Renewable Energy Approval for the wind farm, with the exception of the forthcoming Public Consultation Report. If it is agreeable to your community, we invite you to make the documents available in your community for review during the public review period.

We look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming public meetings. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

Thomas Bernacki, P.Eng.



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Attention: Ms. Kim Powley, President

June 10, 2011

Please find enclosed information for an aggregate licence application for the Radon Aggregate Pit made to the Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) under the Ontario Aggregate Resources Act.

Included in this package are:

- Form 1- Notice of Application for a Licence
- Form 2 Notice of Public Information Session
- “Complete Application” Letter from Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources
- Site Drawings
 - 1 of 4: Existing Conditions Plan
 - 2 of 4: Operation and Progressive Rehabilitation Plan
 - 3 of 4: Final Rehabilitation Plan
 - 4 of 4: Site Standards Notes
- Natural Environment Level 1 Report
- Groundwater Summary Statement
- Stage One Cultural Heritage Report

The MNR has directed this information be distributed to you for your perusal and comments.

Written comments will be accepted until July 29, 2011.

Regards,

Gary MacKay, P.Eng.
Project Manager
Tulloch Engineering



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File: 160960734

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Attention: Kim Powley, President

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Kim Powley,

We are writing to share updated information with you on the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm (the "Project"), located north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma.

As you are aware through the ongoing discussions between the Project and the Regional Consultation Committee, the Project is being developed by Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. As a result of the inclusion of the Batchewana First Nation ("BFN") as economic partners in the Project, new corporate partnerships will now develop the Project. Going forward Nodin Kitagan Limited Partnership and Nodin Kitagan 2 Limited Partnership, through their General Partners Shongwish Nodin Kitagan GP Corp. and Shongwish Nodin Kitagan 2 GP Corp (the "Proponent") will be developing Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm (collectively the "Project"), respectively. The English name of the Project remains the *Bow Lake Wind Farm*, however the BFN know and refer to the Project as *Chinodin Chigumi Nodin Kitagan*.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Attached to this letter, please find a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting and a copy of the Draft REA Report Package for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Included with this letter is a Project Summary Report which provides a summary of each REA document also attached to this letter. The Draft REA documents are being made available to the public, including your community, at least 60 days before the Project's final Public Meeting (scheduled for December 13, 2012). As such, we are respectfully requesting that you provide us in writing any information available to your community that in your opinion should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the REA reports, we request that you provide comments on or prior to December 13, 2012.

October 9, 2012

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Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Please let us know if:

- You would like a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting to be published in a newspaper within your community; and
- You would like us to make a paper copy of the draft REA reports and/or the Project Summary Report available within your community for public viewing (if so, we will send you a copy to display at a location of your choice). Please note that the reports will be made available on the Project website (www.blueearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind)

Further to our ongoing discussions with the Regional Consultation Committee, members of the Project team are willing to attend MNO-led meetings to share information about the Project with the Consultation Committee and the Métis community.

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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For more information please visit the project website: www.blueearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind

Respectfully,

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Cc: Scott Hossie, Bow Lake Wind Farm

Attachment: Notice of Final Public Meeting
Draft REA Report Package
Draft Project Summary Report



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Attention: Kim Powley, President

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Reminder: Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Kim Powley,

We are writing to follow up on our letter addressed to you dated October 9th in regards to the Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package and Project Summary Report.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Included with the letter dated October 9th were the Project Summary Report and Draft REA Reports. In order for comments to be incorporated into the draft reports, comments must be received on or prior to **December 13, 2012**.

The Final Public Meeting for the Project will be held as follows:

Date: December 13, 2012

Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Place: Aweres Public School, 185 #556 Highway, RR2, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Our file / Notre référence

Catherine Taylor-Hell
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Dear Ms. Taylor-Hell:

**Re: Notice of Commencement of Environmental Screening Under the
Ontario Environmental Screening Process for Electricity Projects
Bow Lake Wind Farm, Townships of Smilsky and Peever**

I am writing in response to your letter inquiring about any claims that may affect the subject property. I regret that we were unable to respond earlier.

We can advise that our inventory does not include active litigation in the vicinity of this property. Please note that we are unable to make any representations regarding potential or future claims.

We cannot make any comments regarding claims filed under other departmental policies. For information on any claims you should also contact Fred Hosking of the Specific Claims Branch at (819) 953-1940 to inquire about any Specific Claims, and Guy Morin of the Comprehensive Claims Branch at (819) 956-0325 to inquire about any current Comprehensive Claims.

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If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (819) 994-1947.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. A. Millaire', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Marc-André Millaire
Litigation Team Leader
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Re: Bow Lake Wind Farm

Dear Ms. Taylor-Hell:

Thank you for your notice of commencement of environmental screening regarding the above noted project.

The responsibilities of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs (MAA) include conducting land claim and related negotiations on behalf of the Province. MAA can provide you with information about land claims that have been submitted to the Ministry, are currently in active negotiations, or are in the process of implementing a settlement agreement. We can also advise as to whether there is any litigation with an Aboriginal community that may be impacted by your project.

You should also be aware that many First Nations either have or assert rights to hunt and fish in their traditional territories. These territories often include lands and waters outside of a First Nation's reserve. As well, in some instances project work may impact archaeological and burial sites. First Nations with an interest in such archaeological sites may extend beyond those First Nations in the nearest vicinity of the proposed project.

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For your information, MAA notes that the following First Nations may be interested in your project given the proximity of their community or reserve lands to the area of the proposed project:

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MAA is not the approval or regulatory authority for your project. You should consider the information provided in this letter in light of the statutes and guidance materials provided by the appropriate approval or regulatory authority for consultation requirements with Aboriginal communities on a project such as you are proposing. Should you have questions on the process please contact the appropriate ministry.

The Government of Canada sometimes receives claims that Ontario does not receive, or with which Ontario does not become involved. For information about possible claims in the area, MAA recommends the proponent contact the following federal contacts:

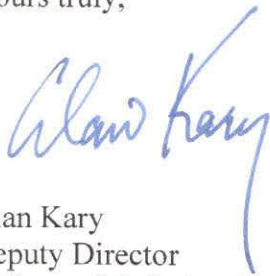
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Yours truly,



Alan Kary
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Page 2
Steven Leffler
June 27, 2007

Should a company be granted the Applicant of Record status, it does not permit for Crown land alterations or improvements, and is not a form of tenure. It simply allows the company to begin the planning process required to assess the feasibility of a potential wind farm on the lands within the Applicant of Record area. If a company determines they wish to proceed to development, a comprehensive Environmental Assessment process, including further consultation will be required.

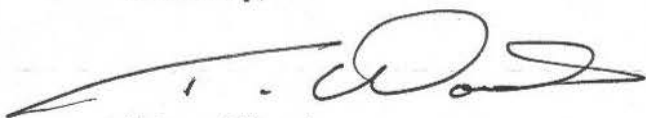
I would like to emphasize that at this time, the Ministry is proposing only to grant Applicant of Record status to these companies. Future activities by these companies on the Applicant of Record lands will require additional permits and approvals from this Ministry which will be subject to public and aboriginal consultation.

I am interested to hear from you as to what, if any effects the proposed Applicant of Record status on these lands may have on your community and its aboriginal or treaty rights. Should you wish, I can be available to meet with you and any community members to discuss your concerns.

If you would like to provide comments on any of these proposals or arrange a meeting to discuss them, a response by July 31, 2007, would be appreciated to assist us in a timely review of this proposal.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sheila Walsh, Acting District Planner in Sault Ste. Marie, (705-941-5128), or Kip Bradfield, Resource Liaison Specialist (705-941-5118).

Sincerely,



Trevor Woods
District Manager
Sault Ste. Marie District

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Enclosure: SSM District Overview Map of Wind Power Applications
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-06, 07, 08
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-12
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-14
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-17

c: Kip Bradfield, Resource Liaison Specialist, Sault Ste. Marie District
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June 29, 2007

Métis Nation of Ontario
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Dear Mr. Leffler:

SUBJECT: Proposed Applicant of Record Status for Wind Power Application - Multiple Townships in Sault Ste. Marie District

The Ministry of Natural Resources, Sault Ste. Marie District, is proposing to provide Applicant of Record status to several companies for wind power applications they have submitted in townships north of Sault Ste. Marie. The table below summarizes the companies involved and the location of their respective wind applications. The attached maps also illustrate the location of these wind power applications.

In January 2007, this office provided you with notification of a proposed Applicant of Record status for another Brookfield wind power application (No. WP-2006-11) in Nicolet Township. This current letter addresses 6 additional applications, 2 of which are from Brookfield Power, 3 from Gilead Power, and 1 from Vortex Development Ltd. Refer to the accompanying overview map to see these wind application locations in broader context. Maps showing the location of each of these individual applications in more detail are also provided.

Company	Application No.	Township(s)
Brookfield Power	WP-2006-12	Labonte Tp Smilsky Tp
	WP-2006-14	Nicolet Tp Smilsky Tp
Gilead Power	WP-2006-06	Smilsky Tp
	WP-2006-07	Slater Tp
	WP-2006-08	Kincaid Tp Nicolet Tp
Vortex Development Ltd.	WP-2006-17	Smilsky Tp Peever Tp

Subject: RE: Bow Lake Wind Farm

From: "Karole Dumont-Beckett" <KaroleD@metisnation.org>

Date: Mon, 11 Aug 2008 12:00:26 -0400

To: <michelle@mkince.ca>

CC: "Andy Lefebvre" <AndyL@metisnation.org>, "Glen Lipinski" <GlenL@metisnation.org>

Good morning Michelle,

I am forwarding your message to our Economic Development Branch as they are better suited to respond to your inquiry.

Best Regards

Karole

Karole Dumont-Beckett

Registrar / Director of Registry

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From: Michelle Closson [mailto:michelle@mkince.ca]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2008 11:14 AM

To: Laurie Fonjong

Subject: Bow Lake Wind Farm

Hi Karole,

I am a consultant working on an environmental assessment for a wind farm in the townships of Smilsky and Peever, approximately 80 kilometres north of Sault Ste Marie and 8 km east of Montreal River Harbour. I have attached a map for your reference.

The proponent has been in contact with interested First Nations groups, however I was wondering if any

Metis would have interest in the project.

I am unsure who to contact on this and how to go about consultation, so I thought I might start with you.

Any information and assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated!

Thanks for your time,

Michelle

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Bow Lake Wind Farm

Introduction

Simon De Pietro 31st May, 2010

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- Vortex

- Began operations in Ontario in 2006
- Principals have developed over 550MW of wind in Ireland
- Strong Network of local consultants and advisors

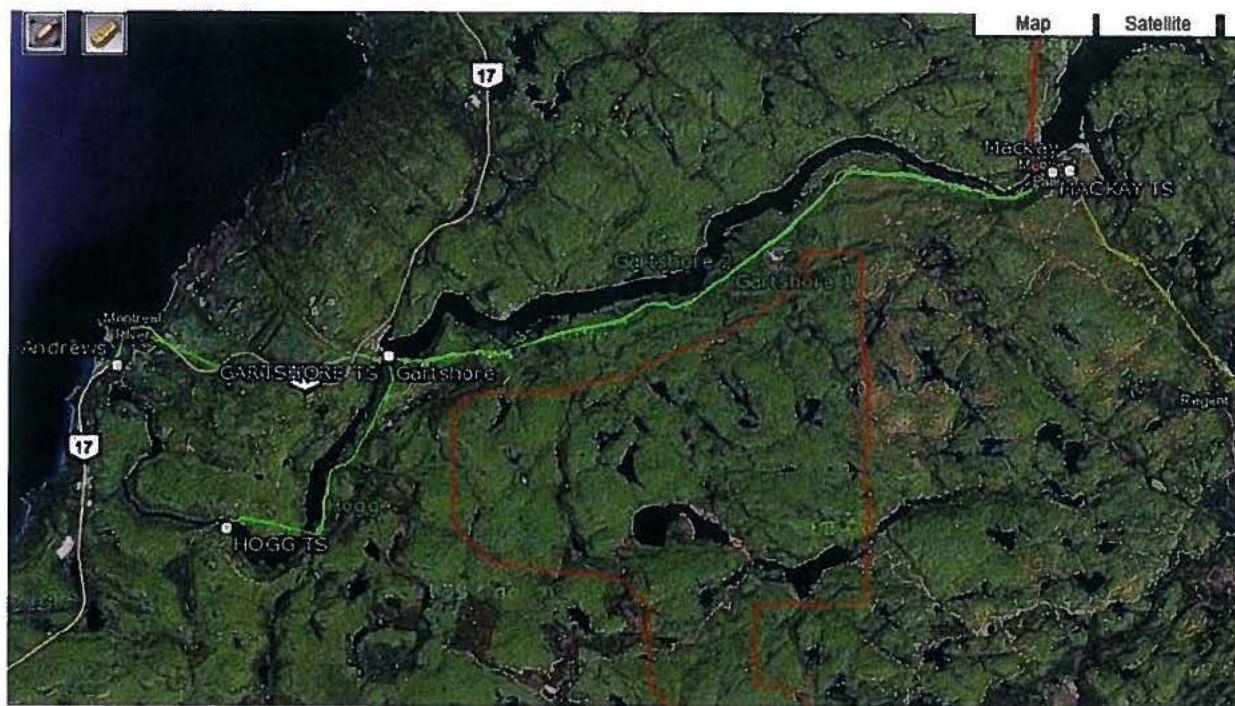
- DP Energy

- Developing wind energy projects for over 20 years as independent developer, and owner/operator
- Delivered 180MW of built wind projects within Ireland and UK
- Currently developing wind and solar projects in other jurisdictions
 - Australia and the Americas
- Developing tidal energy power in Scotland and Ireland



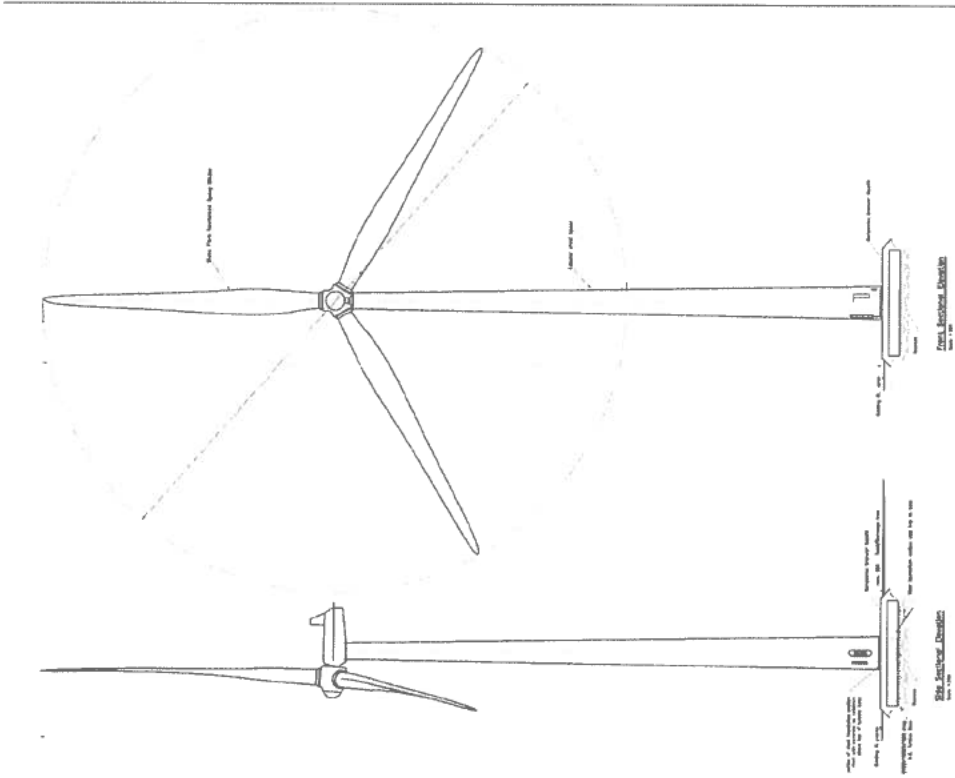
Project Area approx. 80 km
north of Sault Ste. Marie, and
10 km east of Montreal River
Harbour

Site Location – General



Site Location – Grid Connection and Access Roads

- Phase 1 (20MW)
 - 12 Turbines of around 2 MW installed capacity each
 - 100metres to hub height 90 - 100metres rotor diameter
 - Most of Environmental Works Complete
 - 'Scheduled' Commissioning Date May 2012
- Phase 2a b (40MW)
 - Up to 25 turbines of around 2 MW (similar machines)
 - Background Environmental Works Completed
 - Detailed Environmental Works Ongoing
 - 'Scheduled' Commissioning Date May 2013



- Environmental

- Much of area under commercial felling (Clerg)
- Very few residences within 10km
- Bat Hibernacula off to the west – old mine
- No signs peregrine/eagle nest sites within site
- Moose coverage – especially along wetlands
- Water setbacks/buffer zones important
- Ph 1 substantially complete
- Ph 2 ongoing but indications suggest no major issues
- REA process rather than EA

- Next Steps

- Continued Environmental Works
- Engineering Assessments – roads/bases/access routes
- Grid Assessment and Design - GLP
- Consultation
 - General Public
 - Metis and 1st Nations
 - Statutory and Non Statutory Bodies (Nav Canada etc)
- REA application
- Contracts – Turbine supply etc

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Attention: Consultation Unit - Metis Nation of Ontario
Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm Documents Forthcoming for Your Review

Dear Sir or Madam,

This letter is to inform you of our proposal to develop a wind farm in the Bow Lake area near Montreal River, 80 km north of Sault Ste Marie. This project is undergoing a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, and it is a requirement of this process that detailed reports evaluating the potential impacts of this project will be made available to all interested parties in the coming months for review.

The total capacity for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1 is 20 MW, and the current REA application is for this first phase. (Phases 2a and 2b are also being proposed at 20 MW each. We will be lodging a further application for Phase 2 as soon as we can but this letter relates specifically to Phase 1.)

To comply with the formal requirements of the REA process we will be holding a public meeting in September this year at which representatives of our company and our environmental consultants M.K. Ince and Associates will be present to share the results of assessments performed in support of the project's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application, and to address any questions or comments you may have about the project.

We invite and encourage you and any interested members of your community to attend this event. A notice of the date and time of this public meeting will be sent to you shortly.

We will be sending you the following draft assessment reports for your review within the coming weeks:

Construction Plan Report describing the nature, location, and timing of all activities associated with construction of the wind farm and associated infrastructure. The report also addresses potential negative effects within 300 m of such activities and mitigation measures relating to these potential effects.

Decommissioning Plan Report describing plans for the eventual decommissioning of the wind farm, including procedures for dismantling the

facilities, managing excess materials and waste, and restoring any land or water negatively affected by the facility.

Design and Operations Report, including:

- a Site Plan with supporting maps, diagrams, and descriptions identifying project components and nearby residences or significant habitats, features, or properties;
- conceptual plans, specifications, and descriptions relating to the design and to the operation of the facility, including any applicable water takings and any waste or contaminants;
- an environmental effects monitoring plan setting out performance objectives with respect to potential negative environmental effects, as well as mitigation measures, a proposed monitoring program, and contingency measures in case of failure of mitigation measures; and
- a response plan indicating how the project owner/operator can be contacted, how correspondence will be recorded and addressed, and measures for providing information to the public, aboriginal communities, and planning boards about the project.

Natural Heritage Assessment and Water Assessment Reports detailing the presence of natural features including wetlands, significant wildlife habitat, lakes, streams and other water bodies within vicinity of the proposed wind farm infrastructure, and assessing any impacts of the projects on these features. The Natural Heritage Reports will also contain information on species at risk in the vicinity of the project.

Wind Turbine Specifications Report indicating make, model, name plate capacity, hub height above grade, rotation speeds and acoustic emissions data as provided by the turbine manufacturer.

Archaeological Assessment, Bird Monitoring, Bat Monitoring, Visual Impact and Radio Communication Impact Assessment Reports will also be provided.

As outlined in the Ontario Ministry of Environment's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Rules (O.Reg. 359/09), the above-listed reports will be included in the Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Application. For your reference, we have also enclosed with this letter the **Draft Bow Lake Wind Farm Project Description Report**, which will also be submitted as part of the REA Application. Further details on the required contents of these reports can be found in Table 1 of the REA Rules (O.Reg. 359/09).

Once you have received the above-listed documents, we invite you to make them available to your members. There will be a 60 day public review period in which to review these documents prior to the public meeting. Based on the assessments performed to date, no adverse impacts to aboriginal or treaty rights are anticipated from the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm.

If, having reviewed these documents, any member of your community has any additional information that you feel should be considered in the Renewable Energy Approval application, particularly with respect to adverse impacts the Bow Lake Wind Farm may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any

measures for mitigating those impacts, we respectfully request that you provide this to us in writing, as well as through our ongoing discussions.

We look forward to discussing the Bow Lake Wind Farm with you further. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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Phase 2

Meteorological Towers Testing Project

Consultation Package

As Required Under Section 5.2.1.2

MNR Approvals and Permitting Requirements Document for
Renewable Energy Projects

Aboriginal Communities Circulated to:

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Batchewana First Nation

Garden River First Nation

Chapleau Ojibwe First Nations

Historic Sault Ste Marie Métis Council

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Project Description

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. Phase 2

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Introduction:

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. proposes the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 in the District of Algoma, Ontario, 80 kilometres north of Sault Ste Marie and 8 km east of Montreal River Harbour. The proposed 40 MW wind energy project will include 25 wind turbine generators and associated roads and electrical infrastructure.

The proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 would be located in the townships of Smilsky and Peever, in the District of Algoma, Ontario. The wind farm will be a Class 4 wind facility as defined in O.Reg. 359/09. The Bow Lake Wind Farm will be built primarily on Crown Land.

In support of the project two meteorological towers are proposed for erection within the Phase 2 site boundaries. The renewable energy testing project will consist of a multi section steel meteorological tower of up to 80 metres in overall height, supported by a number of guy wires. Attached to the tower will be multi level booms with anemometers and wind vanes for measuring wind speed and direction. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. No other infrastructure or structures are required for the operation of the tower. The towers will be erected to confirm wind turbine output during project commissioning and operating stages with actual wind speeds.

The Bow Lake Wind Farm project is a Green Energy project within the province of Ontario. The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Approval for Permitting Requirements Document for Renewable Energy Projects will be used for the approval of the installation of this testing equipment. Specifically Section 5.1: Testing projects on crown land where no construction of a transportation system is required.

Figure 1 shows the general location of the Bow Lake Wind Farm and the two meteorological towers.

Tower Locations and Access:

One tower will be located within Phase 2a (P2a) at UTM 687513E, 5233680N, Peever Township the other within Phase 2b (P2b) at UTM 689017E, 5228919N, Smilsky Township. See Figure 1: Bow Lake Anemometer Tower Locations; P2a, P2b. Each location will be cleared of standing tress and shrubs to ground level within a circular area of 100m radius. This will be accomplished with the use of chain saws and 4x4 “quad” bikes.

The towers are located in proximity to a system of old logging trails and good all weather surfaced roads. Access to the sites off the old logging roads will be accomplished with 4x4 “quad” trail bikes or snow machine as the weather dictates. The bikes will be used firstly to transport men and clearing equipment and subsequently the various components of the tower. This method has been used successfully in the past and does not require construction of new transportation systems. The bikes are of size and strength capabilities to maneuver off road with little damage to existing forest growth. No water crossings will be required at either location.

Method of Installation:

The installation of the tower and mounting of instrumentation will be accomplished by a field crew of approximately 4 personnel using winches and gin poles to achieve mechanical advantage and without the use of cranes. Full installation including anchors and towers is likely to take 5 days subject to weather conditions. Erection must be halted during period of high winds or lightning.

Tower Dimensions:

Constructed of steel sections the towers will be up to 80 m in height and held in position by a series of steel guy wires attached at load points out to a radius of up to 50metres. The guy wires will be attached to ground anchors designed for the specific soil or rock conditions at the point of location. The tower will be protected from lightning strikes by a lightning rod, grounding wire and earth stakes.

Timing and Duration of Operation:

The tower locations have been selected to be close to existing forest access trails so that access can be achieved for installation throughout the year either via snow sled or ATV. However, it is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is

proposed that the installation would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower.

Since the tower sites are on the same centre coordinates as proposed wind turbines the towers will be decommissioned but the site reused for the wind turbines. The towers will be disassembled and removed from the site for use elsewhere.

Operation of the Towers:

Once installed and its instrumentation satisfactorily commissioned no on site personnel are required. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. Field inspections will be conducted at regular periods (usually monthly) to inspect for evidence of damage and to re-tension guy wires as necessary.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the land clearing and installation phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the quads and chainsaws will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

Once the towers are operational there will be regular visits made to ensure the site continues to perform as intended and is having no detrimental effect on the surrounding environment.

Site Plan

The site plan on the following page depicts an elevation and plan view of a typical 80-metre tower installation. The tower is centered on the cleared circular area of 100m radius and secured with a system of guy wires and anchors as shown.

Endangered Species Act, 2007

Species at Risk (SAR) Review

Field Investigations:

Field investigations were completed throughout the proposed site of the Bow Lake Wind Farm development between September 27 and October 29, 2010. The assessment for the meteorological towers included the 100m radius circular area of the proposed location, as well as an additional buffer of 120m. Field investigations were performed in order to gather information on existing conditions and to specifically identify any species or habitat protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) on or within 120m of the proposed site.

Background Information:

A review of the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) database was conducted to identify any potential rare or sensitive species in the area. Records within a 1km square of both the Phase 2a (P2a) and Phase 2b (P2b) meteorological towers revealed the potential presence of Boreal Bedstraw and Braun's Holly Fern. Boreal Bedstraw is assigned a ranking of S2 (Very rare in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Braun's Holly Fern is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario).

The MNR's All Values Map and Critical Values Map were also reviewed for the Bow Lake area. The data contained within these maps is derived from the MNR's Natural Resources and Values Information System (NRVIS). No significant values including Species at Risk (SAR) were identified on these maps for the area of investigation.

Existing Environment:

It should be noted that due to the timing of the project (outside of flowering season for plants, migratory nesting season for birds, etc.), a full inventory of plants, terrestrial habitat and aquatic features could not be completed and therefore the scope of the investigation focused on general features and composition only.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2a (P2a)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple (*Acer sp.*), white birch (*Betula papyrifera*) and yellow birch (*Betula alleghaniensis*). The understory was limited and consisted of small red maple, ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Mixedwood and mainly coniferous communities appeared to be present within the lowland areas and consisted of species such as eastern white cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*), balsam fir (*Abies balsamea*), white spruce (*Picea glauca*) and occasional eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*).

There was no evidence of wildlife noted throughout the study area at the time of field investigations. A small cold water lake was noted on the outer edge of the 120m buffer west of the proposed tower location.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry (*Vaccinium ovalifolium*) was observed within the outer edge of the 120m buffer near the lake.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2b (P2b)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple, white birch and yellow birch. Coniferous species including eastern white pine, white spruce, eastern white cedar and balsam fir were noted in lowland areas. The understory consisted of small red maple, mountain maple (*Acer spicatum*), ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Patches of wild red raspberry (*Rubus idaeus ssp. melanolasius*) and common blackberry (*Rubus allegheniensis*) were also noted throughout this location.

Evidence of moose (*Alces alces*) was noted within the study area in the way of browse and tracks. Two moose were observed within a similar community east of the study area. No areas of significant aquatic habitat were noted within the study area.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry was observed northwest of the proposed tower location (within the 100m x100m boundary).

Species or Habitat Protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA):

No species or habitat that would be protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) were noted throughout the study area for either meteorological tower (Phase 2a and Phase 2b).

Oval-leaved bilberry was observed within the study area associated with the meteorological tower in Phase 2a and Phase 2b. Oval-leaved bilberry is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Although it is not considered a Species at Risk (SAR) and protected under the ESA, general mitigation will be outlined below as a best management practice (BMP) to afford protection for the species.

Environmental Impacts and Mitigation:

It is expected that a permanent loss of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground cover) will result from the clearing of land in the area directly associated with the meteorological towers (Circular area of 100m radius). Efforts should be taken to clear only the trees and shrubs necessary to fulfill project requirements, wherever possible and to use seed mix and species common to Ontario for restorative planting if choosing to rehabilitate disturbed areas.

As oval-leaved bilberry was identified within the 100m radius area around the Phase 2b Meteorological Tower, it is expected that the species will be removed due to clearing. In order to minimize impacts to oval-leaved bilberry in this area, it is recommended that the methods outlined within the MNR's Bilberry Relocation Procedure are followed in order to transplant the species to similar habitat in the surrounding area. Oval-leaved bilberry was also identified within the 120m buffer outside of the area to be cleared for the Phase 2a Meteorological Tower. As it has been observed within the general area, it is recommended that workers are trained to identify the species. Should it be identified within the area to be cleared, the Relocation Procedure will, again, be utilized.

The clearing of trees and vegetation will also result in a loss of wildlife habitat, specifically for moose in the area of the Phase 2b meteorological tower and birds in the area of both meteorological towers. The clearing of trees and vegetation during the migratory nesting period could also result in the loss of active bird nests and young birds which is illegal under the Migratory Birds Convention Act (MBCA). In order to minimize impacts, clearing should only occur where necessary to minimize the loss of habitat as much as possible and restorative planting using native species should be done wherever possible. All clearing during the migratory bird nesting season (May 5 to August 10) should be avoided. If clearing will occur during these times, a pre-clearing check should be undertaken by a qualified individual with experience in avian nesting habits for the presence of migratory bird nests before tree removal. If a species protected under the MBCA is identified during the pre-clearing check, a permit will need to be obtained from the Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS) to allow for the nest to be destroyed. This is conditional upon the stage of the nesting birds. The MNR should also be consulted regarding the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act (FWCA), if any species are found to be nesting within the project limits during the pre-clearing check.

As no aquatic habitat was identified within the study area of either meteorological tower, there are no expected impacts to fish habitat.

Decommissioning Plan

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Decommissioning Plan

Decommissioning of Anemometer Towers:

Each of the two anemometer towers is centered on the future base of a wind turbine. It is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is proposed that the installations would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower. The decommissioning is therefore planned for 2013.

The towers will be disassembled as the development of the Phase 2 wind farm progresses. It is anticipated at the time of decommissioning the road access network associated with the wind turbines of Phase 2 will be established and the use of a small crane or boom truck will be utilized to aid in the disassembly of the two towers. The recording equipment will be removed and the masts of the towers broken down into the individual segments. These along with the guy wires and anchors will be removed from the site.

Site rehabilitation will not be necessary, as the wind turbines will require the “foot print” of the meteorological towers in their installation.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the disassembling and removal phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the equipment will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

Request for Information

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Request for Information

The proponent formally requests from your community any information available to the community that, in its opinion, should be considered in preparing a document as part of the testing project submission to the MNR, and in particular, any information the community may have about any 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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**Attention: Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator;
Lands, Resources and Consultation**
Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Documents for Your Review

Dear Mr. Barty,

As you may be aware, M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd. has been contracted to undertake assessments and prepare reports required under the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) regulations (O.Reg. 359/09) for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1. We are pleased to enclose draft copies of the reports for your review.

We will be holding public meetings in April this year at which representatives of our company and the project developers will be present to further discuss the results of the studies and the reports, and the project in general. Between now and then there is a formal public review period, during which you are invited to review the reports and submit any questions or comments you have to us. Please find the formal notice of the meetings enclosed.

Following the public review period and the public meetings we will be revising the draft reports to incorporate the results of the public consultation, and preparing a formal Public Consultation report. As required by the regulation, the enclosed reports contain drafts of all the reports that will eventually be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment in the application for a Renewable Energy Approval for the wind farm, with the exception of the forthcoming Public Consultation Report. If it is agreeable to your community, we invite you to make the documents available in your community for review during the public review period.

We look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming public meetings. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

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Attention: Melanie Paradis

June 10, 2011

Please find enclosed information for an aggregate licence application for the Radon Aggregate Pit made to the Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) under the Ontario Aggregate Resources Act.

Included in this package are:

- Form 1- Notice of Application for a Licence
- Form 2 Notice of Public Information Session
- “Complete Application” Letter from Sault Ste. Marie Ministry of Natural Resources
- Site Drawings
 - 1 of 4: Existing Conditions Plan
 - 2 of 4: Operation and Progressive Rehabilitation Plan
 - 3 of 4: Final Rehabilitation Plan
 - 4 of 4: Site Standards Notes
- Natural Environment Level 1 Report
- Groundwater Summary Statement
- Stage One Cultural Heritage Report

The MNR has directed this information be distributed to you for your perusal and comments.

Written comments will be accepted until July 29, 2011.

Regards,

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July 30, 2012
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Attention: Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

Dear Alden Barty,

As the Metis Nation of Ontario is aware, Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. (collectively "Bow Lake") are proposing to develop Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm respectively (collectively the "Project"), north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma. Correspondence regarding the Project was originally sent to the Nation under Ontario Regulation 116/01, and more recently in 2010 under the guidance of the Renewable Energy Approvals ("REA") regulation O. Reg. 359/09 (the "Regulation"). The Regulation has since been updated in July 2012 and the purpose of this letter is to provide the community with an update on the status of the Project.

In an effort to meet the requirements of the 2012 Regulation, going forward Bow Lake will be seeking one renewable energy approval for the entire Project. This represents a new approach and a departure from the former pursuit of separate renewable energy approvals for each Phase of the Project. There have been no material changes to the Project location or design and the Project is not being expanded beyond the original Phase 1 and Phase 2 proposals – those proposals are merely being combined into one REA Application.

Bow Lake is re-issuing the Notice of a Proposal to Engage in Renewable Energy Project ("Notice of Proposal") and the Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project to all stakeholders and Aboriginal communities, and a new Draft Project Description Report combining both phases has also been prepared (attached). Bow Lake has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. ("Stantec") to complete the appropriate natural heritage studies and to provide support in obtaining the necessary permits required for the Project.

The Regulation requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports prior to the final Public Meeting. As such, we are respectfully requesting that the Metis Nation of Ontario provide us in writing any information available to your community that in your opinion should be considered by Bow Lake in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the draft REA reports prior to the final public meeting, we request that you provide comments prior to September 15, 2012.

July 30, 2012

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Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

Attached to this letter is a copy of the Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting and the Draft Project Description Report for the Project; same may also be found on the Project website.

The Notice will be published in local newspapers starting on July 31, 2012. Please let us know if:

- You would also like a copy of the Notice to be published in a newspaper within your community; and
- You agree to make a paper copy of the Draft Project Description Report available in the community (if so, we will send you an additional copy to display at a location of your choice).

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Respectfully,

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Attachment: Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting
Draft Project Description Report



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Attention: Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Mr. Barty

We are writing to share updated information with you on the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm (the "Project"), located north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma.

As you are aware through the ongoing discussions between the Project and the Regional Consultation Committee, the Project is being developed by Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. As a result of the inclusion of the Batchewana First Nation ("BFN") as economic partners in the Project, new corporate partnerships will now develop the Project. Going forward Nodin Kitagan Limited Partnership and Nodin Kitagan 2 Limited Partnership, through their General Partners Shongwish Nodin Kitagan GP Corp. and Shongwish Nodin Kitagan 2 GP Corp (the "Proponent") will be developing Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm (collectively the "Project"), respectively. The English name of the Project remains the *Bow Lake Wind Farm*, however the BFN know and refer to the Project as *Chinodin Chigumi Nodin Kitagan*.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Attached to this letter, please find a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting and a copy of the Draft REA Report Package for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Included with this letter is a Project Summary Report which provides a summary of each REA document also attached to this letter. The Draft REA documents are being made available to the public, including your community, at least 60 days before the Project's final Public Meeting (scheduled for December 13, 2012). As such, we are respectfully requesting that you provide us in writing any information available to your community that in your opinion should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the REA reports, we request that you provide comments on or prior to December 13, 2012.

October 9, 2012

Page 2 of 2

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Please let us know if:

- You would like a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting to be published in a newspaper within your community; and
- You would like us to make a paper copy of the draft REA reports and/or the Project Summary Report available within your community for public viewing (if so, we will send you a copy to display at a location of your choice). Please note that the reports will be made available on the Project website (www.blueearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind)

Further to our ongoing discussions with the Regional Consultation Committee, members of the Project team are willing to attend MNO-led meetings to share information about the Project with the Consultation Committee and the Métis community.

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Attachment: Notice of Final Public Meeting
Draft REA Report Package
Draft Project Summary Report



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Attention: Alden Barty, Consultation Assessment Coordinator

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Reminder: Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Mr. Barty,

We are writing to follow up on our letter addressed to you dated October 9th in regards to the Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package and Project Summary Report.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Included with the letter dated October 9th were the Project Summary Report and Draft REA Reports. In order for comments to be incorporated into the draft reports, comments must be received on or prior to **December 13, 2012**.

The Final Public Meeting for the Project will be held as follows:

Date: December 13, 2012

Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Place: Aweres Public School, 185 #556 Highway, RR2, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Reminder: Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

For more information please visit the project website: www.blueearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind

Respectfully,

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Chief Joseph Buckell
June 27, 2007

Should a company be granted the Applicant of Record status, it does not permit for Crown land alterations or improvements, and is not a form of tenure. It simply allows the company to begin the planning process required to assess the feasibility of a potential wind farm on the lands within the Applicant of Record area. Should a company determine they wish to proceed to development, a comprehensive Environmental Assessment process, including further consultation will be required.

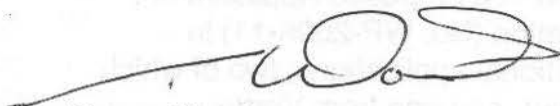
We would like to emphasize that at this time, the Ministry is proposing only to grant Applicant of Record status to these companies. Future activities by these companies on the Applicant of Record lands will require additional permits and approvals from this Ministry which will be subject to public and aboriginal consultation.

We are interested to hear from you as to what, if any effects the proposed Applicant of Record status on these lands may have on your community and its aboriginal or treaty rights. Should you wish, we can be available to meet with you and any community members to discuss your concerns.

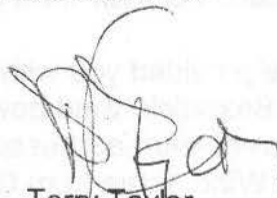
If you would like to provide comments on this proposal or arrange a meeting to discuss them, a response by July 31, 2007, would be appreciated to assist us in a timely review of this proposal.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sheila Walsh, Acting District Planner in Sault Ste. Marie at (705) 941-5128 or Paul Gamble, Resource Liaison Specialist in Wawa District at (705) 856-2396 extension 273.

Sincerely,



Trevor Woods
District Manager
Sault Ste. Marie District



Terry Taylor
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Wawa District

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Enclosure: Overview Map of Wind Power Applications – Algoma Area
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-06,07,08
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-12
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-14
Map: Proposed Applicant of Record Area WP-2006-17

c: Sheila Walsh, A/District Planner, Sault Ste. Marie District
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June 27, 2007

Michipicoten First Nation
Chief Joseph Buckell
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Dear Chief Buckell:

SUBJECT: Proposed Applicant of Record Status for Wind Power Application – Multiple Townships in Sault Ste. Marie and Wawa Districts

The Ministry of Natural Resources, Sault Ste. Marie District, is proposing to provide Applicant of Record status to several companies for wind power applications they have submitted in townships north of Sault Ste. Marie. The table below summarizes the companies involved and the location of their respective wind applications. The attached maps also illustrate the location of their wind power applications.

In January 2007, this office provided you with notification of a proposed Applicant of Record status for another Brookfield wind power application (No. WP-2006-11) in Nicolet Township. This current letter addresses six additional applications, two of which are from Brookfield Power Wind, three from Gilead Power, and one from Vortex Development Ltd. Refer to the accompanying overview map to see these wind application locations in broader context. Maps showing the location of each of these individual applications in more detail are also provided.

Company	Application No.	Township(s)
Brookfield Power Wind	WP-2006-12	Labonte Tp Smilsky Tp
	WP-2006-14	Nicolet Tp Smilsky Tp
Gilead Power	WP-2006-06	Smilsky Tp
	WP-2006-07	Slater Tp
	WP-2006-08	Kincaid Tp Nicolet Tp
Vortex Development Ltd.	WP-2006-17	Smilsky Tp Peever Tp

Geoff Carnegie

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Sent: April-14-12 12:34 PM
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Subject: Fw: Vortex Wind Power meeting

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Sent: Sunday, 3 February 2008, 23:04
Subject: Vortex Wind Power meeting

Dear Chief Buckell,

I hope you are keeping well? I spoke to you on the 8th January in relation to our proposal to erect a monitoring mast on the lands near Bow Lake. We had agreed that we would meet in February, I will be in Sault St Marie on the 21st as we are holding a public meeting about our project in Sault St Marie on that day.

Would you be available for a meeting on the 22nd February, I could drive up to your office in Wawa for some time in the afternoon?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Kevin O'Donovan
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From the Editor...

Welcome to the first issue of the Bow Lake Wind Farm Newsletter, published by Vortex Wind Power and M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd. In February 2008, we held our first Open House for the Bow Lake Wind Farm, and it was a great success. The public meeting, held in Goulais River, was attended by interested parties from local communities and from as far away as Michigan.

You provided us with a great deal of information on local wildlife, forests, and recreational land use. We would like to use this newsletter to address some of your questions from the Open House and to share the answers with other members of the community who might have the same questions or concerns.

Your feedback is of utmost importance to us! Please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.



▲ This photograph shows a computer simulation of how the Bow Lake Wind Park could look on the local landscape looking east from Highway 17, just south of Montreal River Rd.

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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING:

The proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm would be located on Provincial Crown Land in Northern Ontario, approximately 3 km west of Bow Lake and 2 km east of the Montreal River.

The project would consist of a total installed capacity of 10 MW - approximately 5 wind turbines. The exact capacity will depend on the final choice of turbine manufacturer and model, which is still being investigated.

In order to assess the feasibility of this project, a number of steps have already been taken:

- A Notice of Commencement of the Provincial Environmental Assessment was published in the Sault Star on January 11th, 2008.

- The first Public Open House was held on February 21, 2008 and attracted just over 20 people. It is important that we hear from the public to answer questions and address any concerns.

- An Environmental Assessment of the project is in progress. This includes bird, bat, and wildlife studies, an archaeological study, noise assessments, and visual impact assessments.

- The Federal Environmental Assessment process will be initiated shortly. The Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency website (www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca) will contain information on the project.

- A meteorological tower will be installed on the site in the near future to characterize the wind resource over a minimum of one year.

- Electrical interconnection studies are being carried out in conjunction with Great Lakes Power Ltd.



Who's working on it:

Vortex Wind Power is a wind energy developer concentrating on the development of small and medium sized wind farms in Ontario. M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd. (MKI), an Ontario based wind energy engineering firm, is working with Vortex Wind Power. MKI has worked on a number of wind projects throughout Ontario and Canada.

WIND POWER TO THE RESCUE!

Environmental impacts associated with our conventional means of power production have dire consequences nationally and globally. In Canada, 16,000 people every year die prematurely due to air pollution. Climate change leads to increased natural disasters worldwide. Renewable energy can help solve the problems associated with conventional power production.

Wind power is the fastest growing form of renewable energy in the world. It is the cleanest and safest form of electricity on the market today, in some cases competing with even the cheapest conventional means of electricity

generation. According to the Canadian Wind Energy Association (CanWEA), Canada can develop 50,000 MW of wind energy capacity. Currently, only 1,856 MW of wind energy is being produced. In Ontario, 501.31 MW of power comes from harnessing the wind. A number of wind power projects are planned across the Province of Ontario to capitalize on this largely untapped resource.

For more information on wind power:

www.canwea.ca/en/faq.html
www.awea.org/faq/

The Realities of Wind Energy Projects

ISSUE: Noise

REALITY: Virtually everything with moving parts will make noise, and wind turbines are no exception. There are generally two potential sources of sound from a wind turbine: aerodynamic noise from the rotor blade (the 'swishing' sound as the blades pass through the air) and mechanical noise from the generator. Modern, well-designed wind turbines generally operate quietly. To help mitigate any noise issues, wind turbines at the Bow Lake Wind Farm will be set back a minimum of 500 metres from occupied dwellings. This setback acts as a buffer, reducing the noise experienced by local residents due to the wind turbines. At this distance, the sound of a wind turbine will be no more than 45 dBA, roughly the same sound level as that emitted by a stream flowing in the distance or leaves rustling in a gentle breeze, or a quiet, unoccupied, air-conditioned office.

ISSUE: Wildlife

REALITY: Like many other tall structures (e.g. cell phone tower) or moving entities (e.g. car or truck), wind turbines and their construction pose a risk to wildlife. In the past, large wind farms containing many densely spaced turbines were at times poorly situated in the migratory flight paths and habitats of birds, resulting in the death and disturbance of many birds. The wind energy industry has learned from these early mistakes and taken many steps to ensure a minimized threat to avifauna. It is our responsibility to identify the potential impacts of the wind farm on sensitive avian, terrestrial and aquatic species and take steps to avoid these potential impacts as much as possible. Vortex Wind Power considers all wildlife in the planning and design of wind projects, and monitors and adjusts construction schedules according to local wildlife.

ISSUE: Access

REALITY: Areas previously accessible by the public will remain accessible after the construction of the Bow Lake Wind Farm. Vortex Wind Power does not anticipate the need to gate the wind farm or restrict traffic on access roads during wind farm operation. The wind farm would not be fenced and activities such as hunting and ATV use will still be permitted in the project area. Signage will be posted to inform the public of the presence of wind turbines in the area and to remind hunters to use extra caution when hunting near wind turbines. For safety reasons, however, public access will be controlled during construction activities.

ISSUE: Economic Viability

REALITY: Wind energy is becoming more and more economically viable, especially as the price of competing forms of energy increases dramatically, both in terms of pure economics and externalities (i.e. pollution). The Bow Lake Wind Farm will apply for the Ontario Power Authority's Standard Offer Program, which is not a subsidy but rather an agreement to purchase the energy at a standard price.

ISSUE: Visual Impact along the Lake Superior Shoreline and Montreal River Harbour

REALITY: Wind turbines are highly visible structures that are sometimes opposed by home or business owners with a view of the proposed development site. Several studies have shown that opposition often diminishes after the turbines are in place as homeowners find the structures aesthetically pleasing, realize their environmental benefits, and have their initial fears allayed. Opposition related to visual impact can be reduced through careful arrangement of the wind turbines, rendering them compatible with the landscape. For the Bow Lake Wind Farm, computer modelling will predict the degree of visibility of the wind turbines from residences near the wind farm and from Lake Superior.

ISSUE: Job Creation

REALITY: The Canadian Wind Energy Association estimates that wind energy projects create, on average, one construction job per MW of generating capacity and, upon commissioning of the project, one permanent job for every 10 MW. Vortex Wind Power recognizes the uniquely skilled work force in the Sault Ste Marie area and is committed to utilizing local workers, equipment and supplies to the greatest extent possible.

ISSUE: Wind Turbine Efficiency

REALITY: Like all other methods of energy generation, wind turbines do not operate at 100% of their capacity. However, unlike conventional methods, we are less concerned with this conversion of fuel to energy because the fuel is plentiful, free and produces no by-products or emissions. Proven to work in many countries around the world, wind energy is an important part of Ontario's energy mix.

ISSUE: Telecommunications Interference

REALITY: Impacts on telecommunication systems may occur due to the presence of new structures and pieces of machinery. These impacts are closely regulated by Industry Canada to ensure minimal interference. Interference that does occur is minimized or eliminated using various corrective measures.

ISSUE: Benefits for All

REALITY: As we enter an era of heightened consciousness of the vast environmental issues faced by our planet, we necessarily begin to think more holistically and globally. What is advantageous to our planet and our population must also be advantageous to us. The entire population will reap the benefits of healthy, sustainable living.



◀ This photograph shows a computer simulation of how a wind park could look on a forested landscape.

FACT:

Each megawatt-hour of electricity that is generated by wind energy helps to offset 0.8 to 0.9 tonnes (800-900 kilograms) of greenhouse gas emissions that are produced by coal or diesel fuel generation each year. Eliminating harmful greenhouse gas emissions makes wind power part of the solution.

(NRCan, <http://www.canren.gc.ca>, 2000)

Company Profile and Experience

Vortex Wind Power Limited



May 2008

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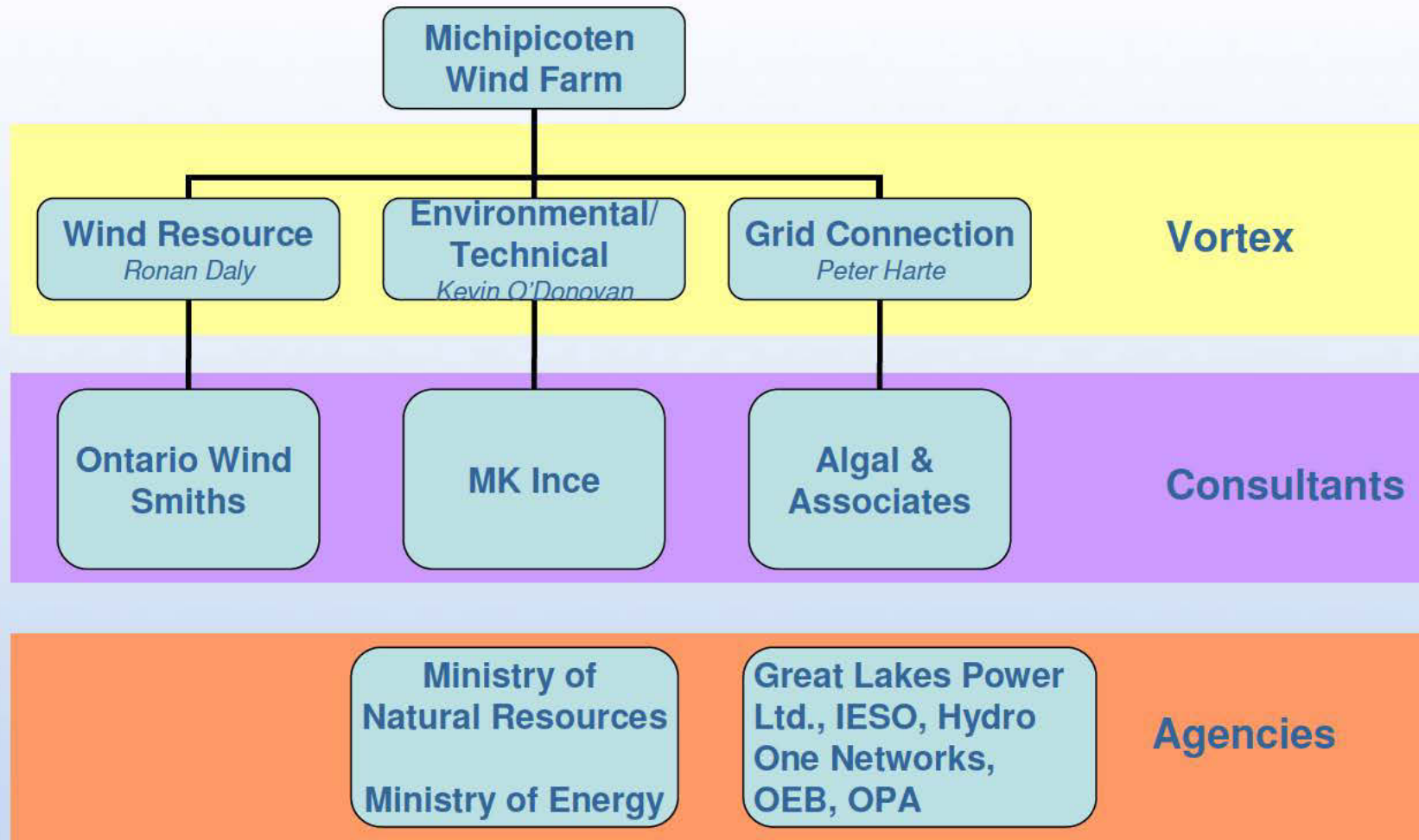


1. Company Principles

- Vortex has been established to develop wind farms in Ontario
- Ontario government has set ambitious renewable energy targets
- Wind energy will form around 50% share of the renewable targets
- Vortex will use its previous wind development experience to develop green field sites to operational stage



2. Project Participants Michipicoten Org. Chart



2. Project Participants

Bio: Kevin O'Donovan

Current role: Business Development and Environmental

- 7 years experience running wind farm business in Ireland, UK and Europe
- Experience in all areas of environmental assessment, including hydrology, geotechnical investigations, photomontages, archaeological assessments, ecology etc. etc.
- Contracts manager for 60MW of wind farm developments (FIDIC standard form)
- B.Eng in Civil Engineering
- M.Sc in Renewable Energy Technology (Hydrogen Systems)

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2. Project Participants

Bio: Peter Harte

Current role: Grid Connections and Project Management

- 4 years experience designing, tendering and managing construction of wind farm grid connections in Ireland, UK and Hungary.
- Extensive contacts in high voltage power engineering world (ABB, SGB, Pirelli, Power Engineers, Schneider, etc.)
- Contracts manager for 19.5MW wind farm construction.
- B. Eng in Mechanical Engineering
- 7 years experience (senior manager) at Accenture
- Advises Irish Wind Energy Association on grid.



2. Project Participants

Bio: Ronan Daly

Current role: Wind Resource Engineer

- B.Eng in Civil & Environmental Engineering
- M.Sc.Eng for research into the modelling of wind energy systems in liberalized electricity markets
- 4 years experience running wind measurement campaigns in Ireland, UK and Hungary
- Expert in wind resource modelling including:
 - Resoft Windfarm
 - Risoe WAsP/WAsP Engineering
 - Garrad Hassan Wind Farmer
 - Statistical Wind Analysis Techniques
 - Effects of Forestry on Wind Flow



3. Developer Experience

The Vortex team have experience in all areas of wind farm development from site selection, site layout design, wind assessment.

We have experience of contracting turbines, civils and electricals and grid connections.

We have experience of power purchase negotiation, raising equity and debt financing and financial engineering.

We have built over 100MW spread across 5 wind farms over the last 5 years. Currently developing 250MW at various stages.

We have experience in Ireland, UK, Europe and Ontario.

Vortex hold strong existing relationship with renewables departments of Barclays, Royal Bank of Scotland, Bank of Ireland, Ulster Bank

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4. Consultants - MKInce

- MKInce is a wind energy consultant and environmental engineering firm
- Expertise in
 - Wind resource modelling
 - Wind resource measurement
 - Environmental Assessment
 - RFP preparation
- Consulted on over 1,000MW of projects
- Completed wind farm environmental impact studies
- Helimax used for certain wind modelling work.



4. Consultants – Algal and Assoc. Ltd.

ALGAL & ASSOCIATES LTD.

- Specialised power engineering consultancy based in Toronto
- Expertise in:
 - System Impact Assessments (SIA)
 - Connection Impact Assessments
 - Wind farm electrical system design
- Prepared SIA for 3 no. 100MW+ windfarms in Ontario
- Numerous smaller windfarms connections
- Engaged by Vortex Wind Power to complete studies and SIA application.
- Clients include Hydro-One, Northland Power, Leader Power, Brookfield, Superior Wind Energy

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4. Consultants - Ontario Wind Smiths

- Specialises in the installation and maintenance of wind monitoring towers and related equipment.
- Installed almost 70 towers to date on varying terrain, with an impressive success and safety record.
- Current clients include:
 - Acciona Canada
 - Suncor
 - Global Energy Concepts
 - Northland Power Inc.
 - Vision Quest/Trans Alta
 - Ontario Power Generation
 - and others.
 - Helimax Energy
 - AIM Power Generation,
 - Invenergy Canada LLC
 - Ortech Environmental
 - Canadian Hydro Developers
 - Zephyr North
- Website: www.ontariowindsmith.com



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4. Consultants – Others.

- Ogilvy Renault legals (Toronto based).
- Accountant (Peter Tsahouras, Montreal based).
- Merrion Capital (Cork) for equity and investors both development and construction stage
- Existing strong relationship with GE, Enercon and Vestas for wind turbines supply
- Garrad Hassan identified as possible technical due diligence
- Civil engineers and civils contractors all to be Ontario based.
- Local archaeology, ecology, forestry expertise both during permitting and construction phases as required.



5. Canadian Experience

- Developing in Ontario for 2 years
- Sites ranging from 5 – 150 MW at various stages of development
- Experience in all aspects of wind farm development including interaction with MNR, Hydro One, OPA, Great Lakes Power Limited, Environment Canada, Natural Resources Canada, OEB etc.



Michipicoten Wind Farm

- Wind Farm development will have a minor impact on existing land uses at Michipicoten
- Wind farm will consist of roads to turbines, underground electrical cables to a substation and turbine bases
- Full Environmental Assessment will be undertaken as part of development to ensure that any potential impacts of wind farm are assessed and mitigation measures put in place to ensure no significant adverse impact



6. Previous Wind Farm Developments

Booltiagh Wind Farm 19.5MW, Clare, Ireland

- 13 x GE 1.5s wind turbines
- 110kV grid connection
- First non-utility build of 110kV substation Ireland
- Total cost approx \$39m
- Annual output 55GWh
- Power for 13,000 homes
- 51,000 tonnes of avoided CO₂ emissions
- 6km of new roads and 20kV cabling
- Developed over 5 years
- Turbines erected in 4 months
- Project manager: Peter Harte



Wind Farm References

Kilgarvan Wind Farm 42.5MW



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Wind Farm References

Kilgarvan Wind Farm 42.5MW, Kerry, Ireland

- 15 x Vestas V90 3.0MW wind turbines
- 6km overhead line 110kV grid connection
- Total cost approx. \$91m
- Annual output 120GWh
- 8km of new roads and 20kV cabling
- Developed over 6 years
- Turbines erected in 4 months
- See attachments for press release.



Wind Farm References

Project	Size	Turbines	Commissioned
Owenreagh Phase 1	5.0MW	10 by Zond 0.55MW	1996
Kealkil Wind farm	8.5MW	10 by Vestas 850kW	2006
Gneeves Wind Farm	9.35MW	11 by Vestas V52 turbines	2005
Kilgarvan Wind Farm	42.5MW	13 by Vestas V90 3.0MW	2006
Knockawarriga Wind Farm	22.5MW	9 by Nordex N90 2.75MW	2007
Knockacummer Wind Farm	87MW	29 by Vestas V90 3.0MW	2010
Booltiagh Wind Farm	31MW	21 by GE 1.5s 1.5MW	2005
Glentanemacelligot	18MW	6 by GE 2.x (100m)	2010
Kilgarvan Phase 2	38.5MW	18 by Vestas V90 3.0MW	2009



7. Ontario Renewables Targets

- 2010 target of additional 10% or 2,700MW renewables to a total of 10,400MW – Ministry of Energy
- 20yr Integrated Power System Plan calls for 26,000MW current total demand to be increased to 33,000MW by 2027 – Ontario Power Authority
- Wind will comprise around 4,000MW of this additional generation capacity required (with 4,000MW of new hydro)
- GE study shows 5,000MW of wind on Ontario grid possible with minimal operational impact.
- Kyoto obligations on CO₂ possible



7. Ontario Support for Wind Generation

The wind farm's main product is long term fixed price energy. In order to meet these renewables targets, Ontario offers the following markets for this product:

- OPA offers 15 year contracts for 10MW sites (or groups of sites)
- OPA runs a competition (Request for Proposals) for larger sites up to 150MW, with the cheapest tender winning the grid and 15yr power purchase agreement
- The federal government offers an additional 1.0c/kWh incentive called the ecoEnergy program
- Various tax incentives and structures available



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29th June 2010

Attention: Chief Joe Buckell
Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm Documents Forthcoming for Your Review

Dear Chief,

As you may be aware from our discussions, we propose to develop a wind farm in the Bow Lake area near Montreal River. This project is undergoing a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, and it is a requirement of this process that detailed reports evaluating the potential impacts of this project will be made available to all interested parties in the coming months for review.

The total capacity for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1 is 20 MW, and the current REA application is for this first phase. (Phases 2a and 2b are also being proposed at 20 MW each. We will be lodging a further application for Phase 2 as soon as we can but this letter relates specifically to Phase 1.)

To comply with the formal requirements of the REA process we will be holding a public meeting in September this year at which representatives of our company and our environmental consultants M.K. Ince and Associates will be present to share the results of assessments performed in support of the project's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application, and to address any questions or comments you may have about the project.

We invite and encourage you and any interested members of your community to attend this event. A notice of the date and time of this public meeting will be sent to you shortly.

We will be sending you the following draft assessment reports for your review within the coming weeks:

Construction Plan Report describing the nature, location, and timing of all activities associated with construction of the wind farm and associated infrastructure. The report also addresses potential negative effects within 300 m of such activities and mitigation measures relating to these potential effects.

Decommissioning Plan Report describing plans for the eventual decommissioning of the wind farm, including procedures for dismantling the facilities, managing excess materials and waste, and restoring any land or water negatively affected by the facility.

Design and Operations Report, including:

- a Site Plan with supporting maps, diagrams, and descriptions identifying project components and nearby residences or significant habitats, features, or properties;
- conceptual plans, specifications, and descriptions relating to the design and to the operation of the facility, including any applicable water takings and any waste or contaminants;
- an environmental effects monitoring plan setting out performance objectives with respect to potential negative environmental effects, as well as mitigation measures, a proposed monitoring program, and contingency measures in case of failure of mitigation measures; and
- a response plan indicating how the project owner/operator can be contacted, how correspondence will be recorded and addressed, and measures for providing information to the public, aboriginal communities, and planning boards about the project.

Natural Heritage Assessment and Water Assessment Reports detailing the presence of natural features including wetlands, significant wildlife habitat, lakes, streams and other water bodies within vicinity of the proposed wind farm infrastructure, and assessing any impacts of the projects on these features. The Natural Heritage Reports will also contain information on species at risk in the vicinity of the project.

Wind Turbine Specifications Report indicating make, model, name plate capacity, hub height above grade, rotation speeds and acoustic emissions data as provided by the turbine manufacturer.

Archaeological Assessment, Bird Monitoring, Bat Monitoring, Visual Impact and Radio Communication Impact Assessment Reports will also be provided.

As outlined in the Ontario Ministry of Environment's Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Rules (O.Reg. 359/09), the above-listed reports will be included in the Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Application. For your reference, we have also enclosed with this letter the **Draft Bow Lake Wind Farm Project Description Report**, which will also be submitted as part of the REA Application. Further details on the required contents of these reports can be found in Table 1 of the REA Rules (O.Reg. 359/09).

Once you have received the above-listed documents, we invite you to make them available to your members. There will be a 60 day public review period in which to review these documents prior to the public meeting. Based on the assessments performed to date, no adverse impacts to aboriginal or treaty rights are anticipated from the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm.

If, having reviewed these documents, any member of your community has any additional information that you feel should be considered in the Renewable Energy

Approval application, particularly with respect to adverse impacts the Bow Lake Wind Farm may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those impacts, we respectfully request that you provide this to us in writing, as well as through our ongoing discussions.

We look forward to discussing the Bow Lake Wind Farm with you further. As always, if you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

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Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd.

Phase 2

Meteorological Towers Testing Project

Consultation Package

As Required Under Section 5.2.1.2

MNR Approvals and Permitting Requirements Document for
Renewable Energy Projects

Aboriginal Communities Circulated to:

Michipicoten First Nation

Batchewana First Nation

Garden River First Nation

Chapleau Ojibwe First Nations

Historic Sault Ste Marie Métis Council

Métis Nation of Ontario

November 30, 2010



Project Description

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. Phase 2

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Introduction:

Bow Lake Wind Farm Ltd. proposes the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 in the District of Algoma, Ontario, 80 kilometres north of Sault Ste Marie and 8 km east of Montreal River Harbour. The proposed 40 MW wind energy project will include 25 wind turbine generators and associated roads and electrical infrastructure.

The proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 2 would be located in the townships of Smilsky and Peever, in the District of Algoma, Ontario. The wind farm will be a Class 4 wind facility as defined in O.Reg. 359/09. The Bow Lake Wind Farm will be built primarily on Crown Land.

In support of the project two meteorological towers are proposed for erection within the Phase 2 site boundaries. The renewable energy testing project will consist of a multi section steel meteorological tower of up to 80 metres in overall height, supported by a number of guy wires. Attached to the tower will be multi level booms with anemometers and wind vanes for measuring wind speed and direction. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. No other infrastructure or structures are required for the operation of the tower. The towers will be erected to confirm wind turbine output during project commissioning and operating stages with actual wind speeds.

The Bow Lake Wind Farm project is a Green Energy project within the province of Ontario. The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Approval for Permitting Requirements Document for Renewable Energy Projects will be used for the approval of the installation of this testing equipment. Specifically Section 5.1: Testing projects on crown land where no construction of a transportation system is required.

Figure 1 shows the general location of the Bow Lake Wind Farm and the two meteorological towers.

Tower Locations and Access:

One tower will be located within Phase 2a (P2a) at UTM 687513E, 5233680N, Peever Township the other within Phase 2b (P2b) at UTM 689017E, 5228919N, Smilsky Township. See Figure 1: Bow Lake Anemometer Tower Locations; P2a, P2b. Each location will be cleared of standing tress and shrubs to ground level within a circular area of 100m radius. This will be accomplished with the use of chain saws and 4x4 “quad” bikes.

The towers are located in proximity to a system of old logging trails and good all weather surfaced roads. Access to the sites off the old logging roads will be accomplished with 4x4 “quad” trail bikes or snow machine as the weather dictates. The bikes will be used firstly to transport men and clearing equipment and subsequently the various components of the tower. This method has been used successfully in the past and does not require construction of new transportation systems. The bikes are of size and strength capabilities to maneuver off road with little damage to existing forest growth. No water crossings will be required at either location.

Method of Installation:

The installation of the tower and mounting of instrumentation will be accomplished by a field crew of approximately 4 personnel using winches and gin poles to achieve mechanical advantage and without the use of cranes. Full installation including anchors and towers is likely to take 5 days subject to weather conditions. Erection must be halted during period of high winds or lightning.

Tower Dimensions:

Constructed of steel sections the towers will be up to 80 m in height and held in position by a series of steel guy wires attached at load points out to a radius of up to 50metres. The guy wires will be attached to ground anchors designed for the specific soil or rock conditions at the point of location. The tower will be protected from lightning strikes by a lightning rod, grounding wire and earth stakes.

Timing and Duration of Operation:

The tower locations have been selected to be close to existing forest access trails so that access can be achieved for installation throughout the year either via snow sled or ATV. However, it is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is

proposed that the installation would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower.

Since the tower sites are on the same centre coordinates as proposed wind turbines the towers will be decommissioned but the site reused for the wind turbines. The towers will be disassembled and removed from the site for use elsewhere.

Operation of the Towers:

Once installed and its instrumentation satisfactorily commissioned no on site personnel are required. The data collected will be recorded at a solar PV and battery powered data logger at the base of the tower, and remotely downloaded at regular intervals via a dedicated mobile phone card. Field inspections will be conducted at regular periods (usually monthly) to inspect for evidence of damage and to re-tension guy wires as necessary.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the land clearing and installation phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the quads and chainsaws will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

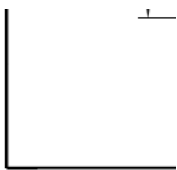
Once the towers are operational there will be regular visits made to ensure the site continues to perform as intended and is having no detrimental effect on the surrounding environment.

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Site Plan

The site plan on the following page depicts an elevation and plan view of a typical 80-metre tower installation. The tower is centered on the cleared circular area of 100m radius and secured with a system of guy wires and anchors as shown.



Endangered Species Act, 2007

Species at Risk (SAR) Review

Field Investigations:

Field investigations were completed throughout the proposed site of the Bow Lake Wind Farm development between September 27 and October 29, 2010. The assessment for the meteorological towers included the 100m radius circular area of the proposed location, as well as an additional buffer of 120m. Field investigations were performed in order to gather information on existing conditions and to specifically identify any species or habitat protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) on or within 120m of the proposed site.

Background Information:

A review of the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) database was conducted to identify any potential rare or sensitive species in the area. Records within a 1km square of both the Phase 2a (P2a) and Phase 2b (P2b) meteorological towers revealed the potential presence of Boreal Bedstraw and Braun's Holly Fern. Boreal Bedstraw is assigned a ranking of S2 (Very rare in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Braun's Holly Fern is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario).

The MNR's All Values Map and Critical Values Map were also reviewed for the Bow Lake area. The data contained within these maps is derived from the MNR's Natural Resources and Values Information System (NRVIS). No significant values including Species at Risk (SAR) were identified on these maps for the area of investigation.

Existing Environment:

It should be noted that due to the timing of the project (outside of flowering season for plants, migratory nesting season for birds, etc.), a full inventory of plants, terrestrial habitat and aquatic features could not be completed and therefore the scope of the investigation focused on general features and composition only.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2a (P2a)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple (*Acer sp.*), white birch (*Betula papyrifera*) and yellow birch (*Betula alleghaniensis*). The understory was limited and consisted of small red maple, ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Mixedwood and mainly coniferous communities appeared to be present within the lowland areas and consisted of species such as eastern white cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*), balsam fir (*Abies balsamea*), white spruce (*Picea glauca*) and occasional eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*).

There was no evidence of wildlife noted throughout the study area at the time of field investigations. A small cold water lake was noted on the outer edge of the 120m buffer west of the proposed tower location.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry (*Vaccinium ovalifolium*) was observed within the outer edge of the 120m buffer near the lake.

Meteorological Tower in Phase 2b (P2b)

Topography was greatly undulating throughout the study area as the proposed tower location exists at peak in elevation and most of the surrounding habitat exists in more lowland areas. Drainage appeared to be fairly good due to this change in elevation.

The majority of the study area consisted of a mainly deciduous vegetation community containing maple, white birch and yellow birch. Coniferous species including eastern white pine, white spruce, eastern white cedar and balsam fir were noted in lowland areas. The understory consisted of small red maple, mountain maple (*Acer spicatum*), ferns and common forest ground cover such as starflower (*Trientalis borealis*) and bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*). Patches of wild red raspberry (*Rubus idaeus ssp. melanolasius*) and common blackberry (*Rubus allegheniensis*) were also noted throughout this location.

Evidence of moose (*Alces alces*) was noted within the study area in the way of browse and tracks. Two moose were observed within a similar community east of the study area. No areas of significant aquatic habitat were noted within the study area.

None of the species identified within the background review of the site were identified within the study area however, oval-leaved bilberry was observed northwest of the proposed tower location (within the 100m x100m boundary).

Species or Habitat Protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA):

No species or habitat that would be protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA, 2007) were noted throughout the study area for either meteorological tower (Phase 2a and Phase 2b).

Oval-leaved bilberry was observed within the study area associated with the meteorological tower in Phase 2a and Phase 2b. Oval-leaved bilberry is assigned a ranking of S3 (Rare to uncommon in Ontario) according to the NHIC's Ontario Ranking (SRank) system. Although it is not considered a Species at Risk (SAR) and protected under the ESA, general mitigation will be outlined below as a best management practice (BMP) to afford protection for the species.

Environmental Impacts and Mitigation:

It is expected that a permanent loss of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground cover) will result from the clearing of land in the area directly associated with the meteorological towers (Circular area of 100m radius). Efforts should be taken to clear only the trees and shrubs necessary to fulfill project requirements, wherever possible and to use seed mix and species common to Ontario for restorative planting if choosing to rehabilitate disturbed areas.

As oval-leaved bilberry was identified within the 100m radius area around the Phase 2b Meteorological Tower, it is expected that the species will be removed due to clearing. In order to minimize impacts to oval-leaved bilberry in this area, it is recommended that the methods outlined within the MNR's Bilberry Relocation Procedure are followed in order to transplant the species to similar habitat in the surrounding area. Oval-leaved bilberry was also identified within the 120m buffer outside of the area to be cleared for the Phase 2a Meteorological Tower. As it has been observed within the general area, it is recommended that workers are trained to identify the species. Should it be identified within the area to be cleared, the Relocation Procedure will, again, be utilized.

The clearing of trees and vegetation will also result in a loss of wildlife habitat, specifically for moose in the area of the Phase 2b meteorological tower and birds in the area of both meteorological towers. The clearing of trees and vegetation during the migratory nesting period could also result in the loss of active bird nests and young birds which is illegal under the Migratory Birds Convention Act (MBCA). In order to minimize impacts, clearing should only occur where necessary to minimize the loss of habitat as much as possible and restorative planting using native species should be done wherever possible. All clearing during the migratory bird nesting season (May 5 to August 10) should be avoided. If clearing will occur during these times, a pre-clearing check should be undertaken by a qualified individual with experience in avian nesting habits for the presence of migratory bird nests before tree removal. If a species protected under the MBCA is identified during the pre-clearing check, a permit will need to be obtained from the Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS) to allow for the nest to be destroyed. This is conditional upon the stage of the nesting birds. The MNR should also be consulted regarding the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act (FWCA), if any species are found to be nesting within the project limits during the pre-clearing check.

As no aquatic habitat was identified within the study area of either meteorological tower, there are no expected impacts to fish habitat.

Decommissioning Plan

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Decommissioning Plan

Decommissioning of Anemometer Towers:

Each of the two anemometer towers is centered on the future base of a wind turbine. It is proposed to install the equipment in the spring/summer of 2011 subject to award of permits and weather conditions. It is proposed that the installations would remain in place and in operation until the erection of the Bow Lake Phase 2 wind turbines, i.e. for a period of up to 24 months from date of commissioning of tower. The decommissioning is therefore planned for 2013.

The towers will be disassembled as the development of the Phase 2 wind farm progresses. It is anticipated at the time of decommissioning the road access network associated with the wind turbines of Phase 2 will be established and the use of a small crane or boom truck will be utilized to aid in the disassembly of the two towers. The recording equipment will be removed and the masts of the towers broken down into the individual segments. These along with the guy wires and anchors will be removed from the site.

Site rehabilitation will not be necessary, as the wind turbines will require the “foot print” of the meteorological towers in their installation.

Avoidance of Environmental Impact:

Care will be taken at all times during the disassembling and removal phases to keep the sites free of garbage and litter. Fueling of the equipment will be done with care and in a controlled area to ensure no impact on the environment. All construction debris, garbage, lunch bags etc. will be removed from the site and disposed of in an approved location.

Request for Information

REA Testing Equipment on Crown Land: Request for Information

The proponent formally requests from your community any information available to the community that, in its opinion, should be considered in preparing a document as part of the testing project submission to the MNR, and in particular, any information the community may have about any 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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Attention: Chief Joe Buckell

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm REA Documents for Your Review

Dear Chief,

As you may be aware, M.K. Ince and Associates Ltd. has been contracted to undertake assessments and prepare reports required under the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) regulations (O.Reg. 359/09) for the Bow Lake Wind Farm Phase 1. We are pleased to enclose draft copies of the reports for your review.

We will be holding public meetings in April this year at which representatives of our company and the project developers will be present to further discuss the results of the studies and the reports, and the project in general. Between now and then there is a formal public review period, during which you are invited to review the reports and submit any questions or comments you have to us. Please find the formal notice of the meetings enclosed.

Following the public review period and the public meetings we will be revising the draft reports to incorporate the results of the public consultation, and preparing a formal Public Consultation report. As required by the regulation, the enclosed reports contain drafts of all the reports that will eventually be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment in the application for a Renewable Energy Approval for the wind farm, with the exception of the forthcoming Public Consultation Report. If it is agreeable to your community, we invite you to make the documents available in your community for review during the public review period.

We look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming public meetings. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

Thomas Bernacki, P.Eng.



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April 02, 2012.

RE: **Bow Lake Wind Farm**

Dear Ministers Bradley and Gravelle,

I have been advised by Chief Dean Sayers of Batchewana First Nation that their council is working on a project with Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. (collectively "BLWFL") in developing Bow Lake Wind Farm.

Batchewana First Nation Chief and Council as well as partners from BLWFL have conducted meaningful engagement with myself and provided sufficient information regarding the project.

I understand that Ontario's Ministry of the Environment requires projects such as this to submit renewable energy and crown land approval documents as well as other regulatory filings, and I would like to formally state that Michipicoten First Nation has no interest in participating in the Bow Lake Wind Farm.

Furthermore I would like to formally notify you, on behalf of Michipicoten First Nation that we fully endorse Batchewana First Nation and BLWFL's proposed project. In the interest of mutual respect and shared values for our fellow First Nation we will work toward progressing this project by any means necessary.

I anticipate your government's formal acknowledgement of this notice, and would like to see BFN/
BLWFL's project expedited now that I have clarified Michipicoten First Nation's position on the matter.

Respectfully,
On behalf of Michipicoten First Nation,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Buckell", is written over a horizontal line.

Chief Joe Buckell

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April 12, 2012.

RE: Bow Lake Wind Farm

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There was some confusion as to where the Wind Farm is located. It has since been established that the proposed Wind Farm is in our traditional territory and Michipicoten First Nation has an interest in participating in this project.

We will contact Blue Earth Renewable Inc. to develop a protocol for consultation on the project.

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Respectfully,
On behalf of Michipicoten First Nation,


Chief Joe Buckell

CC: Chief Dean Sayers, Batchewana First Nation

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Michipicoten First Nation

April 23, 2012

Mr. Kent Brown
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Dear Mr. Brown:

Michipicoten First Nation is located approximately 225 km northwest of Sault Ste Marie and shares traditional territories with other First Nations in the Robinson Superior Treaty areas as well as the Robinson Huron and Treaty Nine areas. As such, we have a vested interest in all projects which are proposed in all regions of our traditional territories.

Michipicoten First Nation in the past few years was working with Vortex Wind Power and in particular had an agreement with Kevin O'Donovan on a proposed project for the development of wind power. It was our understanding that we were to negotiate a memorandum of understanding with regard to the Bow Lake wind project and we were not advised that the project was taken over by your company, BluEarth Renewables Inc. until recently.

As the Bow Lake project falls within our traditional territory, we do have an expectation of the protocols and consultative process on all projects of interest or concern to our First Nation. We would sincerely appreciate meeting with yourself or a representative from your firm in this regard at your earliest convenience. We are very much interested in exploring any other mutually beneficial opportunities.

Please feel free to contact me at 705-856-1993 Extension 215, or in the event of my absence, contact my Band Manager, Carol Sanders at Extension 213 regarding a proposed meeting. I would also be willing to meet with you in Alberta if necessary.

Respectfully,

Chief Joe Buckell

cc: C.Sanders, BM; Executive Services

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April 26, 2012

Chief Joe Buckell
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Dear Chief Buckell:

Thank you for your letter of April 12, 2012 regarding the Bow Lake Wind Farm. I am pleased to respond on behalf of Minister Bradley.

Thank you for informing the ministry that the Bow Lake Wind Farm is within your traditional territory and that Michipicoten First Nation would like to participate in Blue Earth Renewable Inc.'s renewable energy project study process. We are pleased that you will be developing a consultation protocol with Blue Earth Renewable Inc.

Should you have any questions about the Renewable Energy Regulation requirements or would like to meet with us to discuss our process, please feel free to contact Ms. Narren Santos at 416-314-8442 or toll free at 1-800-461-6290.

Thank you again for informing the ministry of your interest in this project.

Yours truly,

Doris Dumais
Director
Environmental Approvals Access and Service Integration Branch

c: The Honourable Michael Gravelle
Minister of Natural Resources

Blue Earth Renewable Inc.

Record of Telephone Conversation

Date: 9th May 2012

Call from: Kevin O'Donovan – Vortex Wind Power (KOD)

Call to: Carol Sanders – Band Manager of Michipicoten First Nations (CS)

Notes from Call:

- CS said that Chief is out of town for most of the week
- KOD said he wished to talk to the Chief and CS about the letter written by them to Kent Brown of Blueearth regarding Bow Lake
- CS recommended that KOD speak directly to the Chief
- CS acknowledged that Vortex had an agreement with MFN for their reserve lands to investigate the development of a wind farm but that I would have to talk to the Chief to get his understanding on the Bow project as she did not know.
- KOD agreed to contact the Chief when he returned to the office

Record of Telephone Conversation

Date: 11th May 2012

Call from: Kevin O'Donovan – Vortex Wind Power (KOD)

Call to: Chief Joe Buckell – Chief of Michipicoten First Nations (JB)

Notes from Call:

- JB said he was out of the office for the last week until today
- KOD said he was following up on the call and message from Geoff Carnegie of BE which were left on the 1st May
- KOD referred to correspondence from JB to BE stating that they had an interest in Bow Lake lands. KOD highlighted that over 4 years of consultation with JB he had not said that Bow Lake was situated on traditional lands of Michipicoten. KOD said that all the work Vortex did with Michipicoten was on their reserve lands as per the maps accompanying the agreements between Vortex and Michipicoten.
- KOD asked if JB considered his the Bow Lake site to be located in Michipicoten traditional lands then why did he sign the 2nd April letter to MOE saying that they were not lands of interest to Michipicoten.
- JB said that Chief Sayers brought the letter to him and he signed in blind trust. He only reviewed the letter later.
- KOD enquired about MFNs traditional lands, JB said that under the Robinson Superior treaty of 1850 MFN's traditional lands stretched from Pigeon River to Batchewana River. He said that these lands belong to the signees of the Robinson Superior treaty.
- KOD reiterated his surprise that JB has decided to express an interest in these lands and claim that they are traditional lands since KOD and JB had worked together for 4 years and the Chief had never mentioned that Bow was of interest or in lands that were considered traditional lands of MFN.
- JB said he would forward the Robinson Superior treaty to KOD
- KOD agreed to review and revert to JB

Record of Telephone Conversation

Date: 25th May 2012

Call from: Kevin O'Donovan – Vortex Wind Power (KOD)

Call to: Chief Joe Buckell – Chief of Michipicoten First Nations (JB)

Notes from Call:

- KOD said he was ringing to follow up on the conversation with JB on the 11th May
- KOD said he had not received a copy of the Robinson Superior treaty from JB
- JB said that it was available on the internet if KOD “Googled” it
- KOD said that he could only find a version of the treaty which appeared to be for a very large part of Ontario and did not refer specifically to MFN and their traditional lands
- KOD asked could JB specify where in the treaty it showed that his traditional lands extended to the Bow Lake site
- JB said that the boundary of the treaty was from Batchewana River to Pigeon River and anything in this region is considered as his traditional lands.
- KOD said that this is a very large area that consisted of many FN traditional lands
- JB said that MFN had overlapping boundaries with FNs neighbouring their lands. He said that he has a map showing these overlapping boundaries. However when KOD asked could he give a copy of the map showing the Bow Lake area he said that he did not have a map for that area as he had not reached agreement with Batchewana FN
- JB stated that BFN view the lands which contain Bow Lake as their own lands and not MFNs.
- JB said that Chief Sayers claims that the BFNs right to these lands is based on a treaty that pre-dates the Robinson Superior Treaty
- KOD asked about the 2nd April and 12th April letters from JB and why had he stated that the Bow project was not located in MFN traditional lands in the first letter and then changed his mind and said they were in the second letter. JB said that he had been misled by Chief Sayers at the time of signing the letters and that regardless of what was said or written in the past JB was now declaring an interest in these lands.
- JB said he has not met Chief Sayers since he discussed the 2nd April letter and told Chief Sayers that he wanted to share in the benefits of the Bow project.
- KOD pointed out that JB never mentioned in the 4 years of working together that his traditional lands extended to the Bow Lake area.
- JB restated that under the Robinson Superior Treaty the Bow Lake area is in MFN traditional lands.



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Attention: Chief Joseph Buckell

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

Dear Chief Buckell,

As the Michipicoten First Nation is aware, Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. (collectively "Bow Lake") are proposing to develop Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm respectively (collectively the "Project"), north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma. Correspondence regarding the Project was originally sent to the Nation in 2008 under Ontario Regulation 116/01, and more recently in 2010 under the guidance of the Renewable Energy Approvals ("REA") regulation O. Reg. 359/09 (the "Regulation"). The Regulation has since been updated in July 2012 and the purpose of this letter is to provide the First Nation with an update on the status of the Project.

In an effort to meet the requirements of the 2012 Regulation, going forward Bow Lake will be seeking one renewable energy approval for the entire Project. This represents a new approach and a departure from the former pursuit of separate renewable energy approvals for each Phase of the Project. There have been no material changes to the Project location or design and the Project is not being expanded beyond the original Phase 1 and Phase 2 proposals – those proposals are merely being combined into one REA Application.

Bow Lake is re-issuing the Notice of a Proposal to Engage in Renewable Energy Project ("Notice of Proposal") and the Notice of Public Meeting for the combined Project to all stakeholders and Aboriginal communities, and a new Draft Project Description Report combining both phases has also been prepared (attached). Bow Lake has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. ("Stantec") to complete the appropriate natural heritage studies and to provide support in obtaining the necessary permits required for the Project.

The Regulation requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports prior to the final Public Meeting. As such, we are respectfully requesting that the Michipicoten First Nation provide us in writing any information available to your First Nation that in your opinion should be considered by Bow Lake in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the draft REA reports prior to the final public meeting, we request that you provide comments prior to September 15, 2012.

July 30, 2012

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Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

Attached to this letter is a copy of the Notice of Proposal and Public Meeting and the Draft Project Description Report for the Project; same may also be found on the Project website.

The Notice will be published in local newspapers starting on July 31, 2012. Please let us know if:

- You would also like a copy of the Notice to be published in a newspaper within your First Nation; and
- You agree to make a paper copy of the Draft Project Description Report available in the First Nation (if so, we will send you an additional copy to display at a location of your choice).

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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For more information please visit the Project website: www.bluearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind

We understand that you have been engaged in a bilateral process with the Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways and we would encourage you to keep those lines of communication open.

Respectfully,

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Attachment: Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting
Draft Project Description Report



Michipicoten First Nation



July 31, 2012

The Honorable Michael Gravelle
Minister of Natural Resources
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Re: MNR 4825MC-2012-1124

Dear Minister Gravelle:

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MICHIPICOTEN FIRST NATION

Chief Joe Buckell

cc: Kathleen Wynn (Minister, MAA); Patrick Madahbee (Grand Council Chief, Anishinabek Nation); Kent Brown (President & CEO, BluEarth); Kim Fullerton



Michipicoten First Nation

August 10, 2012

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Re: File 160960734 Bow Lake Wind Farm – Proposal and Public Meeting

Dear Sir:

We acknowledge receipt of the information provided in your July 30, 2012 correspondence to my attention.

We are most concerned with all activities regarding resources in our traditional territories and wish to advise that we are currently reviewing these matters and have contacted the Minister of Natural Resources to this end. A copy of our most recent communication is provided herein.

Until our concerns have been fully addressed **government to government**, we do not currently have a bilateral process or agreement with Batchewana **First Nation**.

Michipicoten First Nation cannot provide its support in **these matters and is on record as such** with the **Ministry** as well as the proponents, for lack of protocol and consultation in its **traditional and treaty** territories.

Sincerely,
MICHIPICOTEN FIRST NATION

Chief Joe Buckell

cc: M. Gravelle (MNR); Kim Fullerton; C. Sanders



Michipicoten First Nation

July 31, 2012

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August 28, 2012
File: 160960734

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Attention: Chief Joseph Buckell

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of a Proposal and Public Meeting

Dear Chief Buckell,

Thank you for your letter of August 10, 2012. Further to our original letter sent on July 30, 2012, we are interested in hearing from your First Nation about any information the community may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts.

We look forward to receiving any information you wish to provide with respect to those matters.

Respectfully,

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File: 160960734

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Attention: Chief Joe Buckell

Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Dear Chief Buckell,

We are writing to share updated information with you on the proposed Bow Lake Wind Farm, located north of Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma.

As you may be aware, Bow Lake Phase 1 Wind Farm Ltd. and Bow Lake Phase 2 Wind Farm Ltd. have finalized an agreement with the Batchewana First Nation (BFN) which will see the BFN included as economic partners in the development of the Bow Lake Wind Farm. As a result of this agreement, new corporate partnerships will now develop the Bow Lake Wind Farm. Going forward Nodin Kitagan Limited Partnership and Nodin Kitagan 2 Limited Partnership, through their General Partners Shongwish Nodin Kitagan GP Corp. and Shongwish Nodin Kitagan 2 GP Corp (the "Proponent") will be developing Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Bow Lake Wind Farm (collectively the "Project"), respectively. The English name of the Project remains the Bow Lake Wind Farm, however the BFN know and refer to the Project as *Chinodin Chigumi Nodin Kitagan*.

The Proponent and the study team have prepared draft environmental and technical reports that will ultimately be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Environment as part of the Project's Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") application for the Project. Attached to this letter, please find a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting and a copy of the Draft REA Report Package for the Project.

Ontario Regulation 359/09 requires a proponent to contact potentially affected Aboriginal Communities to solicit comments and gather relevant information and incorporate this information in the relevant reports. Included with this letter is a Project Summary Report which provides a summary of each REA document also attached to this letter. The Draft REA documents are being made available to the public, including your First Nation, at least 60 days before the Project's final Public Meeting (scheduled for December 13, 2012). As such, we are respectfully requesting that you provide us in writing any information available to your community that in your opinion should be considered by the Proponent in preparing the REA documents. In particular, any information the First Nation may have about any adverse impacts that the project may have on constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights and any measures for mitigating those adverse impacts. To ensure that any comments you may provide can be incorporated into the REA reports, we request that you provide comments on or prior to December 13, 2012.

October 9, 2012

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Reference: Bow Lake Wind Farm – Notice of Final Public Meeting, Draft REA Report Package, and Project Summary Report

Please let us know if:

- You would like a copy of the Notice of Final Public Meeting to be published in a newspaper within your community; and
- You would like us to make a paper copy of the draft REA reports and/or the Project Summary Report available within your community for public viewing (if so, we will send you a copy to display at a location of your choice). Please note that the reports will be made available on the Project website (www.blueearthrenewables.com/bowlakewind)

If you feel it would be helpful for members of the Project team to visit your community to share information about the Project, please let us know by October 19, 2012, as we would be happy to work with you to arrange an appropriate information session.

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

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Attachment: Notice of Final Public Meeting
Draft REA Report Package
Draft Project Summary Report

Terella, Andrea

Subject: FW: Bow Lake Wind Project - Community meeting

From: Shele Lapham [<mailto:slapham@michipicoten.com>]
Sent: November-15-12 11:17 AM
To: Bryan Tripp
Subject: RE: Bow Lake Wind Project - Community meeting

Hello Bryan,

Unfortunately, I cannot reschedule this meeting until I receive direction from my Chief. I will forward your request to him and I will let you know what date has been decided when I am informed.

Thank you,

Shele

From: Bryan Tripp [<mailto:bryan@bluearth.ca>]
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2012 10:43 AM
To: 'Shele Lapham'
Subject: RE: Bow Lake Wind Project - Community meeting

Hi Shele,

I received a call from Chief Buckell yesterday morning to inform me that he was cancelling the community meeting scheduled for November 21. We agreed that we would reschedule the meeting in the near future. Ideally we would like to reschedule the meeting for sometime before December 13.

I also wanted to confirm that you will cancel the hall booking and that you will notify your community that the meeting has been postponed. Once we have a new date finalized I can resend the notice for distribution with your newsletter.

Sincerely,

Bryan Tripp, P.Eng, M.A.Sc. | *Lead Regulatory - East*

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From: Shele Lapham [<mailto:slapham@michipicoten.com>]
Sent: November-06-12 8:17 AM

To: Bryan Tripp
Subject: RE: Bow Lake Wind Project - Community meeting

Hi Bryan,

Our address is Michipicoten First Nation, 1 Hiawatha Drive, Wawa, Ontario P0S 1K0.

TTFN
Shele

From: Bryan Tripp [<mailto:bryan@blueearth.ca>]
Sent: Friday, November 02, 2012 12:27 PM
To: slapham@michipicoten.com
Subject: RE: Bow Lake Wind Project - Community meeting

Hi Shele,

I received your last email. I do need to put the venue name/address and the meeting time in the flyer before I can send to you. Please confirm these details by email and I can add to the flyer.

PS - I've been following the Wawa area flooding in the news and I hope everyone is safe and sound in your community.

Bryan

From: Bryan Tripp
Sent: October-25-12 3:09 PM
To: 'Shele Lapham'
Subject: RE: Bow Lake Wind Project - Community meeting

Hi Shele,

Thanks for booking the venue for November 21. We will plan to host a mixed format meeting with an open house format with poster boards from 5:00 pm to 7:00pm and have a formal Q&A session from 7:00 pm to 8:00pm. Do you think this meeting time and format is appropriate for your community?

I am almost done preparing a flyer for distribution with your newsletter. I have a few questions on the flyer

- 1) Do you prefer a 8.5" x 11" flyer to include with your newsletter or do you require a specific size add to include in the newsletter itself?
- 2) Can you also please email me the address and proper name of the venue so I can include these details in the flyer?
- 3) Do you prefer a PDF or hardcopies? If hardcopies, how many?

Thanks!

Bryan

From: Shele Lapham [<mailto:slapham@michipicoten.com>]
Sent: October-23-12 12:04 PM
To: Bryan Tripp
Cc: 'MFN Reception'
Subject: RE: Bow Lake Wind Project - Community meeting

Hello Bryan,

November 21, is great! I will book the hall and let our receptionist inform you of the cost. The format that most likely is preferred is display boards and a presentation to the members. Please send me a flyer with your information that I can distribute to the community.

I look forward to meeting with you!

Thank you,

MiShele-Lee Lapham

From: Bryan Tripp [<mailto:bryan@bluearth.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2012 11:21 AM
To: 'slapham@michipicoten.com'
Subject: Bow Lake Wind Project - Community meeting

Hi Mishele-Lee

It was nice to speak with you over the phone yesterday. We would like to book the Band Hall for the evening of November 21 to host a community meeting regarding the Bow Lake Wind Power Project. Please let me know if this date is still available and what your booking requirements are (deposit, etc.).

I will also prepare a notice that can go in your weekly newsletter to advertise the meeting. As for meeting format, do you have a recommendation on the preferred meeting format for the community? We can do an open house format with display boards and people on hand to answer questions, or we can do a set presentation and Q&A (or a mix of both).

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The Final Public Meeting for the Project will be held as follows:

Date: December 13, 2012

Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Place: Aweres Public School, 185 #556 Highway, RR2, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

Further to your request to postpone the planned community information session, we have worked with your executive secretary to reschedule the community information session on your reserve to December 18. We request that you confirm that this meeting date is acceptable to you at your earliest convenience by contacting Bryan Tripp.

To provide the Project team with your comments or for further information about the Project, please contact us at the address below.

November 28, 2012

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Date: __04 December 2012__

Type of contact with landowner/stakeholder: meeting __ phone __X__

Name of landowner/stakeholder: __Chief Buckell, Michipicoten First Nation__

Who initiated contact: BluEarth __X__ Landowner/stakeholder __

Name of BluEarth representative: __Bryan Tripp__

Summary of Conversation; specifically identify any issues/concerns raised; mitigation offered by BluEarth

Call to Chief Buckell to reschedule the community information session that was originally set for November 21, but postponed at the request of Chief Buckell. Chief Buckell agreed that December 18th would be a suitable date, however he indicated he was meeting with the Batchewana First Nation (BFN) on December 12, and if a satisfactory deal could not be worked out with the BFN, then he sees no point in hosting the community information session on MFN reserve. I reiterated that the Project was willing to host the community meeting to gather MFN feedback on the Project regardless of the outcome of the meeting with the BFN. Chief Buckell committed to call me back if he wished to cancel the new meeting date on December 18.

__Bryan Tripp__

BluEarth Representative

Land-/Stakeholder (if meeting)