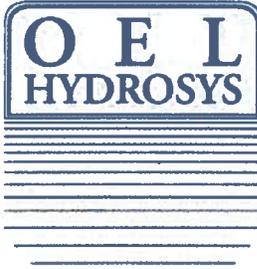


Appendix D

Record of First Nation Consultation



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April 24, 2009

Algonquins of Ontario
c/o J.E. Hunton
Jp2g Consultants Inc.
12 International Drive
Pembroke, Ontario
K8A 6W5

**Re: Early Notification of Proposed Waterpower Project - Clear Point GS, Bonnechere River
Renfrew Power Generators Inc., Proponent**

Dear Mr. J. E. Hunton:

This letter is to advise you that the proponent, Renfrew Power Generation Inc. (herein referred to as RPG Inc.), has plans for the development of a new hydroelectric generating station (Clear Point GS) downstream of two existing dams (#1 and #2) owned and operated by the proponent on the Bonnechere River in the Town of Renfrew, Ontario. The attached figure indicates the location of the project site along with other existing RPG Inc. infrastructure. RPG Inc. intends to construct the Clear Point GS while maintaining operation of its existing facilities at Dam #1 and Dam #2. The GS will operate as a run-of-river system and will be in operation continually except in circumstances of very low river flow.

The intake of the proposed Clear Point GS is to be in the existing canal immediately upstream of the RPG Inc. #1 powerhouse while the construction of the new powerhouse is proposed downstream from the #2 dam. A new connection point with Renfrew Hydro Inc. is planned for the south side of the river within 100 meters of the new GS.

This development will employ the full practical head and flow in the Bonnechere River at the Clear Point site, helping to provide additional power to the Town of Renfrew and reduce greenhouse gases by displacing coal-fired generation. The proposed facility will have an installed capacity of 4MW (52% capacity) and would comprise a single power plant and 44 kV transmission link.

RPG Inc. owns all of the property on the side of the Bonnechere River that constitutes the project area. The bed of the Bonnechere River at the project site is owned by the Crown. It was determined by the Ministry of Natural Resources in August 2008 (see correspondence enclosed) that the Direct Site Release process for the Clear Point GS waterpower project is not required and the project may proceed directly to the EA planning process.

The proponent is aware that requirements still exist for this project under other legislation (i.e. Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act) as well as commitments under the provincial and federal environmental assessment processes. The environmental assessment (EA) process for any electricity generating project in Ontario is overseen by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment's Environmental Assessment and Approvals Board (EAAB) and mandated by the Electricity Projects Regulation (Ont. Reg. 116/01) pursuant to Ontario's *Environmental Assessment Act*. According to this regulation, waterpower electricity projects generating <200 MW, fall under the Category B projects as set out in the Guide to Environmental Assessment Requirements for Electricity Projects. As a proposed Category B waterpower project the Clear Point GS project is required to follow the new Ontario Waterpower Association's Class Environmental Assessment (OWA Class EA) for Waterpower Projects (October 2008). The OWA Class EA was created to streamline the approval process for hydroelectric generating projects. The generating station proposed at the Clear Point site is further categorized as "associated with existing infrastructure" under this process.

Additionally, the newly proposed Bill 150 (February 23, 2009), *Green Energy and Green Economy Act* (GEA) proposes an even more streamlined approvals process referred to as the Renewable Energy Approvals (REA) process. The government's is moving forward quite quickly with the planned passing of Bill 150 as early as June 2009. In the meantime, the proponent will follow the planning process under the OWA Class EA approvals process.

Through the course of the OWA Class EA the consulting team will undertake the identification and evaluation of conceptual designs for the proposed GS. The proposed project will be examined during the EA process in regard to the potential impacts to the surrounding environmental (natural, socio-cultural and economic) setting.

In the near future, the proponents will be issuing a Project Description and Environmental Context of the project site to initiate Phase 1 (Project Concept) of the OWA Class EA planning process. The project description will provide more detailed information on the undertaking, delineate the study area, identify perceived potential impacts and benefits associated with the initiative and include early avoidance/prevention/mitigation concepts.

Due to the Algonquin land claim, natural resource development is a complex issue and we are sensitive to the fact that the Algonquins of Ontario would prefer to meet with the proponent as early as possible in the planning process. Therefore, the proponent would like to extend an invitation at this time to meet with Algonquin Nation Representatives at their earliest convenience. OEL-HydroSys and the MNR will also be present to join the discussion. Please inform the writer if this is a suitable and we will make the necessary arrangements at a venue in Renfrew, Ontario.

RPG Inc. looks forward to meeting with you to plan this project in an environmentally responsible and efficient manner. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information at this time.

Yours Truly,



Tami J. Sugarman
Approvals Coordinator
OEL-HydroSys Inc.

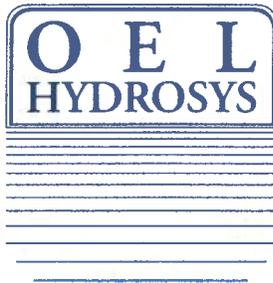
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cc. Paul Norris, President, OWA

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Figure 1.1 – RPG Projects Site Map



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May 29, 2009
Our file no: OE7350

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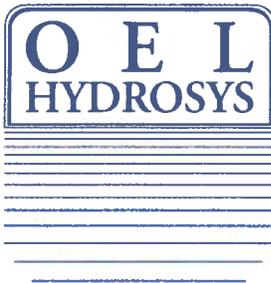
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cc Jp2g Consultants

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August 10, 2009

OEL HydroSys
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Attention: Tami Sugarman
Environmental Assessment and Approvals Coordinator

by e-mail and mail
tsugarman@wesa.ca

RE: **Proposed Waterpower Project
Clear Point GS, Bonnechere River
Renfrew Power Generators
Our Project No. 2097334A (CP-127)**

Dear Ms. Sugarman:

This is to acknowledge with thanks your letter of April 24, 2009 regarding the proposed Clear Point Generating Station on the Bonnechere River.

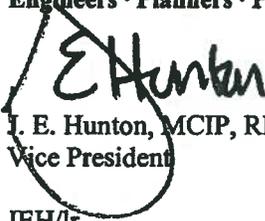
Further to your background letter of April 24, 2009, Page 1, Paragraph 4, we would advise that the matter of ownership of riverbeds has not been resolved.

We appreciate your acknowledgement on Page 2, Paragraph 5 that natural resources development within the Algonquin land claim area is a complex issue and we will accept your invitation to meet with the proponent in due course.

You will be aware from previous correspondence that the Algonquins of Ontario are becoming increasingly concerned with the number of proposals for utilization of Algonquin traditional watercourses for water power development in the Algonquin land claim area and in this regard we have been instructed to issue letters to the Ministry of Natural Resources on all current proposals within Algonquin Traditional Territory requesting that any MNR approvals be deferred unless and until Algonquin interests are satisfactorily addressed.

We will be convening a meeting with the Ministry of Natural Resources to discuss significant Algonquin cultural, environmental and economic interests in these initiatives before we participate in the review of any further site specific applications.

Yours very truly,
Jp2g Consultants Inc.
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J. E. Hunton, MCIP, RPP
Vice President

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c.c. - Algonquin Negotiation Representatives
- Paul Moreau, MNR Pembroke District Manager
- Ken McWatters, MNR, Resource Liaison Officer

From: Tami Sugarman
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2009 5:24 PM
To: 'James Hunton'
Cc: chiefdoreen@aol.com; Jerry Lavalley; bpotts@blaney.com; Charmaine Kelsie; Patrick Glassford; Cliff Meness; Randy Malcolm; Lynn Clouthier; Brad Heys; Bob Craftchick; Richard Zohr; Chief Kirby Whiteduck; alan@prattlaw.ca; Clifford Bastien; Jim Meness; Katherine Cannon; Vicky Two Axe; Davie Joanisse; pkboldt@renfrewpg.ca; Kearon Bennett
Subject: RE: Clear Point GS, Bonnechere River

Dear Mr. Hunton

Thank you for responding in a timely manner to our request for a meeting with the Algonquin Negotiation Representatives. In respect of your wishes to meet with us only after a meeting with the provincial representative has taken place, we will inquire again in late September for an opportunity. As it is our intention to complete the Provincial EA process by late fall, we hope that it will be possible to meet with you and the ANRs in early or mid October. Please note, that we are available at any time to sit down and share our information on the proposed development plans for the site.

On the issue of the passage of American Eel, it is our intention to reasonably address this matter in our development plans. The proponent and consulting team have met with MNR and DFO at the site to discuss possible mitigation measures. We look forward to sharing those proposed mitigation designs with the Algonquins of Ontario. As you can appreciate it would be better if we can meet to hear your vision of feasible mitigation measures to allow for American Eel passage at this site early in the design phase.

Respectfully,

Tami Sugarman

From: James Hunton [<mailto:JHunton@jp2g.com>]
Sent: August 26, 2009 1:03 PM
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Subject: Clear Point GS, Bonnechere River

Ms. Sugarman:

This is to acknowledge your e-mail of August 19, 2009.

I have instructions from the Algonquin Negotiation Representatives (ANRs) that we will not be meeting with individual proponents unless and until we have had an opportunity to meet with Ministry of Natural Resources (and other Provincial representatives) to discuss the impacts of the Ontario Green Energy and Green Economy Act and the economic implications for the Algonquins of Ontario regarding projects proposed for water power development in the Algonquin land claim area. We expect this meeting will be convened in late September.

In the interim I can advise that out of the recent ANR discussion there is an increasing concern that all water power projects within Algonquin Traditional Territory must include mitigation to allow for passage of the American Eel, which is a species at risk and of important cultural interest to the Algonquins.

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From: Tami Sugarman
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2009 3:51 PM
To: 'James Hunton'
Cc: 'Peter Boldt'; 'Mcwatters, Ken (MNR)'; 'Lynn Resmer'
Subject: Clear Point and Redevelopment Hydroelectric Project

Hello Jim

Thank you for your voice mail in late October, I apologize that I have not responded until earlier this month. I spoke with Lynn Resmer during your absence and she asked me to outline my request, which is the purpose of this email.

In your voicemail message (October 16th) you linked the engagement of the Algonquins of Ontario (ANR) in the planning process of resource development projects with the MNR disposition of Crown land resources (Site Release) process. I feel it is important to mention that we are of the understanding that no Crown Land disposition is required for the Clearpoint GS and Redevelopment project and therefore the Site Release requirement under the Public Lands Act is not applicable for this project. I am hoping that this fact will warrant a different consideration for the Clearpoint waterpower project by the ANR.

Therefore, on behalf of Renfrew Power Generation, I am hoping that the Algonquins of Ontario would consider, at this time, engaging in the planning process for this project by accepting our invitation to meet with us to share information, provide input to the proposed development plan and to discuss the environmental aspects surrounding this site that are important to them.

Respectfully,

Tami

From: Lynn Resmer [<mailto:Lynn@jp2g.com>]
Sent: November 5, 2009 2:16 PM
To: Tami Sugarman
Subject: Clear Point

Ms. Sugarman:

I have your telephone message dated November 3, unfortunately I haven't had a chance to discuss the matter with Jim Hunton. I'm wondering if you would be good enough to send him a brief e-mail outlining your questions/requirements?

Thank you.

Lynn Resmer

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January 14, 2010

Jim Hunton
Jp2g Consultants Inc.
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Dear Mr. Hunton:

SUBJECT: Clearpoint GS and Redevelopment Project

Please find this letter as a note of clarification for the Clearpoint GS and Redevelopment project. Several pieces of correspondence have been circulated over the past several months regarding the status of this project between MNR, the consultant working on behalf of Renfrew Power Generation Inc. (RPG), and the Algonquin's of Ontario.

This development of the Clearpoint Generating Station and the re-development of the existing Renfrew GS by Renfrew Power Generation Inc. (RPG) does not involve the disposition of a Crown land resource as the project is confined to private land owned by RPG.

As such, MNR's Site Release policy and procedure do not apply in this situation and therefore Applicant of Record status does not need to be awarded for the project to proceed. The proponent, through their consultant OEL Hydrosys, has been moving through the OWA Class EA process and will be moving forward with their planning process for this project. They are hopeful that the Algonquins of Ontario will be interested in engaging in this process.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Ken McWatters, Resources Liaison Specialist, at (613) 732-5572.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul Moreau".

Paul Moreau
District Manager
Pembroke District

- c. Tami Sugarman, OEL Hydrosys
Jim Beal, Provincial Renewable Energy Coordinator, MNR
Sydney Covonor Taggart, Coordinator/Negotiator, Aboriginal Affairs Branch, MNR

Muriel Kim

From: Karen Fortin
Sent: June 2, 2011 2:54 PM
To: 'algonquins@nrtco.net'
Cc: 'Peter Boldt'; Mcwatters, Ken (MNR)
Subject: RPG EA Project Update, new GS on the Bonnechere River at Renfrew - email
Attachments: OE6960-03 20110601 RPG Project Update AOO let.pdf; OE7350 - G07 2011-05-18 rAx.pdf; OE7350 - G05 2011-05-18 rAx.pdf; OE7350 - G06 2011-05-18 rAx.pdf; OE7350 Stage 1 archaeological assessment.PDF

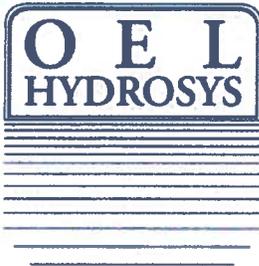
Good afternoon,

On behalf of Renfrew Power Generation we are pleased to provide you with a project update, revised conceptual engineering drawings, and an electronic copy of the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment. Due to file size, the Stage 2-3 Archaeological Assessment report (with the appended Stage 1) will be provided as hard copy, to be couriered from our office tomorrow. If you would like an electronic copy of the Stage 2-3 AA, please let me know and we will make arrangements to transfer this to you via a file sharing program.

We look forward to the opportunity to meet with your office and the Algonquin Nation Representatives to further discuss this undertaking.

Respectfully,

Karen



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June 02, 2011

Janet Restoule
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If you require any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Regards,



Tami Sugarman, P.Geo.
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c.c. Ken McWatters, MNR

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From: Karen Fortin
Sent: Wednesday, June 08, 2011 8:36 AM
To: 'Vicki.Mitchell@ontario.ca'; Samson, Joanna (MNR); Mcwatters, Ken (MNR); Watchorn, Rick (MNR); 'Chan,Jim [CEAA]'; 'Scott, Mark E'; Martin Rukavina (martin.rukavina@ontario.ca); 'environment@HydroOne.com'; 'lina.buccilli@OEB.gov.on.ca'; 'algonquins@nrtco.net'; 'jhutton@countyofrenfrew.on.ca'; 'jeremy.craigs@tc.gc.ca'; 'pnorris@owa.ca'
Cc: 'Peter Boldt'; Tami Sugarman
Subject: Renfrew Power Generation, Revised Notice of Commencement under the Class EA for Waterpower, Thomas Low GS
Attachments: RPG Class EA for Waterpower Amendment to the NOTICE of COMMENCEMENT20110608.pdf

Good morning,

Attached is a Revised Notice of Commencement for Renfrew Power Generation's proposed new generating station at its Renfrew, Ontario facility. This Revised NOC is an amendment to the original which was issued in July 2009, and includes information on the revised project design. It is the proponent's intent to finalize the Environmental Report by the end of this summer.

Should you require any additional information, please advise us as soon as possible.

Regards,

Karen

Muriel Kim

From: Karen Fortin
Sent: June 9, 2011 11:23 AM
To: 'chiefcouncil@pikwakanagan.ca'
Cc: Tami Sugarman; Mcwatters, Ken (MNR)
Subject: Renfrew Power Generation, Waterpower Project Update and Revised Notice of Commencement
Attachments: OE7350-00-03 20110609 RPG Project Update Chief Whiteduck Letter.pdf; OE7350 - G07 2011-05-18 rAx.pdf; OE7350 - G05 2011-05-18 rAx.pdf; OE7350 - G06 2011-05-18 rAx.pdf; RPG Class EA for Waterpower Amendment to the NOTICE of COMMENCEMENT20110609.pdf

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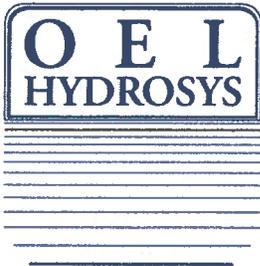
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Regards,

Karen



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June 09, 2011

Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation
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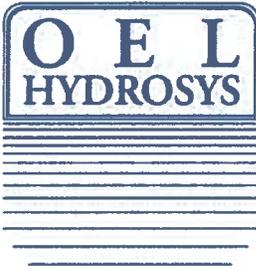


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File No. OE7350-00

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Attn: Ms. Janet Stavinga, Executive Director

Re: Proposed Expansion & Redevelopment of Renfrew Power Generation's Renfrew Facilities

Dear Ms. Stavinga,

On behalf of Renfrew Power Generation, this letter is to provide the Algonquins of Ontario with an update for the above noted proposed renewable energy project on the Bonnechere River in Renfrew, Ontario. A project update was provided to your office in early June of this year.

In support of the proposed Thomas Low project alternative, additional archaeological field investigations were completed in July 2011 by Kinickinick Heritage Consultants. A report of the findings of the additional Stage II investigation is pending, and will be provided to you once it is available. It should be noted that the proposed powerhouse location is in a previously disturbed area which was occupied by a facility garage constructed in the early 20th Century.

Renfrew Power Generation is working with the Ministry of Natural Resources for the provision of passage for American eel at its existing water control structures to satisfy the Agreement requirements for existing waterpower facilities under the Endangered Species Act. No new water control structures or changes to the existing dam operating plan are proposed for the redevelopment project. The proposed facility will be required to adhere to the existing from RPG's Renfrew facility as identified in the Bonnechere River Water Management Plan.

It is presently anticipated that a Draft Environmental Report (ER) will be available for agency review by late September. We generally advise the proponents we work with to provide a draft document to key agencies (MNR, MOE and DFO) for an approximate 30 day review period. We will also be making the Draft ER available to your office to coincide with the agency review. Because the waterway is managed, this draft review period is not a requirement of the Class Environmental Assessment for Waterpower Projects, but it is an approach that both OEL and the proponent believe will be beneficial to the success of the planning process.

In the interim, both Renfrew Power Generation and OEL-HydroSys Inc. respectfully extend to your office an invitation to meet, and together discuss the proposed redevelopment project. We would be happy to travel to your office to undertake this discussion at your convenience.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of fluid, overlapping strokes that form a cursive-style name.

Tami Sugarman, B.Sc., P.Geo
Senior EA Advisor

Ref:OE7350-00 20110829 Algonquins of Ontario Consultation Office Update Letter



Algonquins of Ontario

October 24, 2011

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Dear Ms. Sugarman,

Subject: Proposed Expansion and Redevelopment of Renfrew Power Generation's Renfrew Facilities (Our File CP 189-10-1)

Thank you for your letter of August 29, 2011 providing an update on the above noted project on the Bonnechere River in Renfrew. Further to my telephone conversation with you on Friday, October 21, 2011, we are very interested in learning more about this project and we would welcome an opportunity to meet with you and representatives from Renfrew Power Generation (RPG).

In conjunction with this discussion, we would also appreciate an opportunity to speak to RPG about its proposed mitigation approaches and monitoring plans for their existing hydro electric stations to address species at risk and their habitats, specifically American Eel. As briefly discussed in our telephone conversation, the American Eel is of significant spiritual and cultural importance to the Algonquins. Moreover, the American Eel was traditionally an important economic resource and food source to the Algonquins. Consequently, the Algonquins of Ontario are very supportive of measures that will lead to the recovery of this species.

We look forward to meeting with you and representatives from RPG to discuss these matters on **Monday, November 14, 2011 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Algonquins of Ontario Consultation Office, 31 Riverside Drive, Suite 101, Pembroke.**

Lastly, we would appreciate a copy of the Stage I and II Archaeological Assessment that was to be completed by Kinickinick Heritage Consultants as well as the Draft Environmental Report for the proposed expansion and redevelopment project.

We sincerely look forward to our discussions on Monday, November 14, 2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janet Stavinga".

Janet Stavinga
Executive Director

c.c. Algonquin Negotiation Representatives
Robert Potts, Principal Negotiator - AOO
Jim Hunton, Vice-President, Jp2g Consultants Inc. Technical Advisor - AOO

From: Janet Stavinga [jstavinga@nrtco.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2011 10:52 AM
To: Tami Sugarman
Cc: Karen Fortin
Subject: RE: Proposed Expansion and Redevelopment of Renfrew Power Generation's Renfrew Facilities (Our File CP 189-10-1)

Good morning Tami,

Thank you for the follow up email. I will review our consultation files to track down the correspondence and report that you have cited below. If I have any problems though I will contact you again. Thank you!

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From: Tami Sugarman [mailto:tsugarman@oel-hydrosys.ca]
Sent: October-26-11 9:59 AM
To: Janet Stavinga
Cc: Karen Fortin
Subject: RE: Tami Sugarman email

Good morning Janet

Just a short note to follow up on the Stage 1 and 2 archaeological study report mentioned in your letter. Studies were completed across the site and at the original proposed location (referred to as the Clearpoint powerhouse) and this was provided to the AoO office on June 2 of this year, and to Chief Whiteduck on June 9. When the location of the powerhouse was moved to the current proposed location (referred to as the Thomas Low powerhouse) the archaeologist returned to the site to conduct a Stage 1 and 2 on the additional land areas. A Draft Stage 1-2 for the new proposed "Thomas Low" powerhouse location is anticipated in November. We will send it along as soon as it is provided. For clarification the proposal is only considering the Thomas Low location at this time. The Clearpoint location is no longer a consideration. We will provide a explanation for this decision at our meeting.

I have cc'd another member of our team assigned to the RPG project, Karen Fortin, to this email so that you would have her email address as well.

Best regards,
Tami

From: Janet Stavinga [mailto:jstavinga@nrtco.net]
Sent: October 25, 2011 10:42 AM
To: Tami Sugarman
Subject: RE: Tami Sugarman email

Thanks Tami! And, thanks again for speaking with me on Friday.

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From: Tami Sugarman [mailto:tsugarman@oel-hydrosys.ca]
Sent: October-24-11 6:12 PM
To: Janet Stavinga
Subject: RE: Tami Sugarman email

Hello Janet

Thank you for the correspondence. I have forwarded it to the RPG team. We look forward to meeting with the Algonquins of Ontario on November 14th.

Best regards,

Tami



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From: Janet Stavinga [mailto:jstavinga@nrtco.net]
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To: Tami Sugarman
Subject: RE: Tami Sugarman email

Please see the attached letter.

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From: Tami Sugarman [<mailto:tsugarman@oel-hydrosys.ca>]
Sent: October-21-11 3:23 PM
To: jstavinga@nrtco.net
Subject: Tami Sugarman email

Hi Janet

As discussed, RPG (Peter Boldt) and some key members of the consulting team are available on Monday November 14th, 2011 between 1 and 4 pm. We estimate that 4 or 5 of us may attend this meeting - is that too many? Also, would the meeting be at the AO office in Pembroke?

Pleasure speaking with you.

Have a good weekend.

Tami



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**Enhancing Protection and Recovery Efforts for the American Eel
Review of Draft Agreements with Water Power Operators**

Information Session with Renfrew Power Generation

and

Overview of Proposed Expansion & Redevelopment of Facilities

Monday, November 14, 2011

1:00 p.m. to 5 p.m.

AOO Consultation Office

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AGENDA

1.	Prayer, Welcome, Roundtable Introductions	Jerry Lavalley Chair, Energy Working Group & Algonquin Negotiation Representative - Pikwàkanagàn or designate
2.	Overview of the Afternoon	Janet Stavinga Executive Director AOO Consultation Office
3.	Overview of the Generating Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Locations on the River - Capacity of Station - Operational Regime - Power Production - Existing Mitigation Measures (for both upstream & downstream passages) - Existing Monitoring Efforts - Existing Community-Based Partnerships 	Peter Boldt Renfrew Power Generation
4a.	Overview of Draft Agreement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proposed Mitigation (for both upstream & downstream passages) - Proposed Monitoring Efforts - Rationale for Proposed Timelines - Role of Adaptive Management (evaluating the effectiveness of measures and adjusting the course) 	Peter Boldt Renfrew Power Generation with Michelle Lavictoire Bowfin Environmental Consulting Inc.
	Nutrition Break	2:45 PM – 3:00 PM

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4b.	Overview of Draft Agreement (con't)	Peter Boldt Renfrew Power Generation with Michelle Lavictoire Bowfin Environmental Consulting Inc.
5.	Gaps in Knowledge – Research Efforts Required What knowledge gaps need to be addressed to ensure we are implementing measures to further enhance the protection and recovery efforts for the American Eel?	Peter Boldt Renfrew Power Generation with the project team
6.	Building a Partnership with the AOO to Enhance the Protection and Recovery Efforts of the American Eel	Round Table
7.	Overview of Proposed Expansion & Redevelopment of Facilities - Nature and Scope of the Project - Planning Process and Status of Efforts - Linkages to development of Draft Agreement	RPG and project team
8.	Roundtable Reflections, Next Steps	Janet Stavinga
9.	Closing Prayer, Adjournment	Jerry Lavalley Chair, Energy Working Group & Algonquin Negotiation Representative - Pikwàkanagàn or designate

From: Janet Stavinga [jstavinga@nrtco.net]
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2011 10:12 AM
To: Tami Sugarman
Cc: 'Peter Boldt'
Subject: RE: Renfrew Power Generation - November 14th Meeting and Approach to Move Forward

Good morning Tami,

Thank you once again for meeting with the Algonquins of Ontario (AOO) on November 14. We also appreciate receiving the attached "Moving Forward Action Plan." We sincerely look forward to receiving the information package in the coming weeks.

Once again, thank you for your willingness share information and work with the Algonquins of Ontario in the spirit of a true partnership.

Best regards,

Janet

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From: Tami Sugarman [<mailto:tsugarman@oel-hydrosys.ca>]
Sent: November-28-11 4:05 PM
To: Janet Stavinga
Cc: Peter Boldt
Subject: Renfrew Power Generation - November 14th Meeting and Approach to Move Forward
Importance: High

Hello Janet

Thank you again for organizing the meeting of November 14th in such a manner that we could not only begin a discussion around the American eel recovery but could also discuss the waterpower project development proposal. We recognize the busy workload of your office and the ANR and appreciated their time and attention towards both items. RPG have developed a moving forward action plan toward honouring our commitments made during the meeting and have outline our intensions in the attached letter. We hope to deliver the complete package together as early in December as possible. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call.

As required, a hard copy of this letter has been sent in the mail today.



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Re: Proposed Expansion & Redevelopment of Renfrew Hydroelectric Facility (Class EA Draft Environmental Report review)

Agreement in Principle - American eel, Renfrew Power Generation - Renfrew Generating Stations 1 & 2

Lower Bonnechere River (Reach 1 and 2) Biological Survey Data Report

Dear Ms. Stavinga,

On behalf of Renfrew Power Generation, we would like to thank your office and the Algonquin Nations Representatives for meeting with us, Renfrew Power Generation, OEL-HydroSys Inc. and Bowfin Environmental Consulting on November 14th, 2011. We felt that the meeting was positive and yielded some useful suggestions towards alternatives for the recovery of the American eel in the Bonnechere River. We look forward to further opportunities to discuss this issue in the near future.

This letter is to confirm our intentions with the Algonquins of Ontario to respond to requests made during the meeting. As was discussed in the meeting and in the spirit of openness and inclusiveness, Renfrew Power Generation will provide the following to your office in December 2011 for consideration:

1. The DRAFT "Thomas Low Generating Station Environmental Report," as it is released to key regulators for an informal thirty day review period;
2. The inclusion of text and applicable literature appendix towards improving the potential for the recovery of American eel at RPG's Renfrew facility in the Thomas Low Environmental Report;
3. The draft "Agreement in Principle - American eel, Renfrew Power Generation - Renfrew Generating Stations 1 & 2" as drafted by the MNR on May 27, 2011. This is the most recent version held in the possession of Renfrew Power Generation as of this date.
4. Proposed revisions to the above mentioned draft agreement in consideration of our discussion with the ANRs and your office. The revisions will reflect the proponent and project team's vision of how the existing draft agreement could be improved.

5. A biological report summarizing the survey data collected to date by Bowfin Environmental Consulting on Reach 1 and 2 of the Bonnechere River, including fisheries data collected at the First Chute, the natural falls delineating the boundary between Reach 1 and Reach 2 of the river.

The above noted intentions reflect our understanding of the discussions held on November 14th and Renfrew Power Generation's commitment to working with the Algonquins of Ontario in the successful completion of these endeavours.

Respectfully,



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