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Martha Campbell
Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Zutphen Resources Inc.
10442 Route 19
Southwest Mabou, NS BOE 1X0

Dear Ms. Campbell:

Re: Environmental Assessment – Zutphen Resources Inc.
Rhodena Quarry Expansion, Inverness County, NS

The environmental assessment of the proposed Rhodena Quarry Expansion in Inverness County, Nova Scotia has been completed.

This is to advise that I have approved the above project in accordance with Section 40 of the Environment Act, S.N.S., 1994-95 and subsection 13(1)(b) of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, N.S. Reg. 348/2008, made under the Act. Following a review of the information provided by Zutphen Resources Inc. and the information provided during the government and public consultation of the environmental assessment, I am satisfied that any adverse effects or significant environmental effects of the undertaking can be adequately mitigated through compliance with the attached terms and conditions.

This approval is subject to any other approvals required by statute or regulation, including but not limited to, approval under Part V of the Environment Act (Approvals and Certificates section).

If you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact the Supervisor, Environmental Assessment Branch, Ms. Helen MacPhail, at (902) 483-2696 or via email at <a href="https://helen.macphail@novascotia.ca">helen.macphail@novascotia.ca</a>

Sincerely.

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Minister of Environment

Encl.

c: Lynn Bowen