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Tyler Mattheis  
Senior Economic Development Officer  
Municipality of East Hants

Dear Mr. Mattheis:

**Re: Environmental Assessment Elmsdale Business Park Phased Expansion**

The environmental assessment of the proposed Elmsdale Business Park Phased Expansion, in Hants County has been completed.

This letter is to advise that, pursuant to Section 13 (1)(a) of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, I have determined that the registration information provided is insufficient to allow me to make a decision and that I require additional information.

During the environmental assessment review, it was determined additional information (below) is required in order to evaluate potential environmental effects that may be caused by the undertaking:

- In consultation with NSE, submit a revised and updated comprehensive storm water management plan for the initial phase of the project with particular focus on water volumes. A comprehensive site water management plan including guidance for individual lot owners for stormwater management is also required.;
- Provide all field data and methodologies for wetland studies for review; and
- Conduct a migratory bird and owl spring survey for areas of the project footprint not already assessed.

This information must be submitted by the Municipality of East Hants within one year, as an Addendum to the original Registration Document. Upon submission of the information I will have 50 days to make my decision.

The Municipality of East Hants must not commence the undertaking or any part thereof until the undertaking has been approved under Part IV of the *Environment Act*.

If you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact the Supervisor, Environmental Assessment Branch, Ms. Helen MacPhail, at (902) 424-3960 or via e-mail at [macphafh@gov.ns.ca](mailto:macphafh@gov.ns.ca).

Sincerely,

Margaret Miller, MLA  
Minister of Environment