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Mr. Paul Pynn, P. Eng.
Springhill Riverhurst Wind Power Limited
Suite 348, 14-3650 Hammonds Plains Road
Upper Tantallon, Nova Scotia
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Dear Mr. Pynn:

**Re: Environmental Assessment - 3.5-Megawatt Wind Power Project, Higgins
Mountain Road, Nova Scotia**

The environmental assessment of the proposed 3.5-Megawatt Wind Power Project, Higgins Mountain Road, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia, has been completed.

This is to advise that I have approved the above project in accordance with Section 13(1)(b) of the *Environmental Assessment Regulations*, pursuant to Part IV of the *Environment Act*. I am satisfied following a review of the information provided by Springhill Riverhurst Wind Power Limited, and through the government and public consultation as part of the environmental assessment, that any adverse effects or significant environmental effects of the undertaking can be adequately mitigated through compliance with the attached terms and conditions.

This letter, in conjunction with the attached terms and conditions, constitutes my approval. This approval is subject to any other approvals required by statute or regulation, including but not limited to, approval under Part V of the Nova Scotia *Environment Act* (Approvals and Certificates section).

If you have any questions regarding the approval of this project, please contact the Acting Manager, Environmental Assessment Branch, Ms. Julie Towers via email towersjk@gov.ns.ca.

Sincerely yours,

Original Signed By

Mark Parent
Minister of Environment & Labour

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