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October 17, 2012

Mr. Lyle Parsons
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Neegan Burnside
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Dear Mr. Parsons:

Thank you for your letter dated September 6, 2012 in which you request, on behalf of Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership, an extension to the time required to submit a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application to the Ministry for the Grand Bend Wind Farm in order to continue to have paragraph 2 of subsection 54 (1.2) of O. Reg. 359/09 apply to the project.

I have considered your request for a time extension for the Grand Bend Wind Farm and am of the view that Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership has made all reasonable efforts to submit an REA application within the six-month period referred to in subsection 54 (1.4) of O. Reg. 359/09 but is not able to do so due to the delays experienced in completing the Stage 2 archaeological works in accordance with the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's requirements and obtaining their comment letter.

As such, this letter serves as confirmation of my decision to extend the six-month period in accordance with subsection 54 (1.6) of O. Reg. 359/09. As requested, the extension will be until July 31, 2013.

In order to continue to have paragraph 2 of subsection 54 (1.2) of O. Reg. 359/09 apply to the Grand Bend Wind Farm, Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership must submit an REA application to the Ministry within this extended time period.

Please note that if Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership does not submit an REA application to the Ministry on or before July 31, 2013, paragraph 2 of subsection 54 (1.2) of O. Reg. 359/09 ceases to apply to the Grand Bend Wind Farm.

Upon receipt of this letter, please inform the public of your request for an extension and the Director's decision to extend the period during which Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership can rely on their draft site plan by distributing a notice in accordance with the rules set out in clause 54.1 (c) of O. Reg. 359/09.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doris Dumais". The signature is written in a cursive style with large, rounded loops for the letters 'D' and 'D'.

Doris Dumais
Director
Environmental Approvals Access and Service Integration Branch

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