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Office of the Minister

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P. Pynn, Vice President Watts Wind Energy Inc. 300 Prince Albert Rd. Suite 200 Dartmouth NS B2Y 4J2

Dear Mr. Pynn:

Re: Barrington Wind Farm

The environmental assessment of the proposed Barrington Wind Farm, Shelburne 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 Watts Wind Energy 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 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. Helen MacPhail at (902) 424-3960 or via email at <a href="mailto:macphafh@gov.ns.ca">macphafh@gov.ns.ca</a>

Sincerely,

Sterling Belliveau

Minister of Environment

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