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Trent Vichie – CEO, Founder EverWind
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Dear Trent Vichie:

RE: Environmental Assessment – Harbour Hills Wind Project, Guysborough County

The environmental assessment of the proposed Harbour Hills Wind Project in Guysborough County, Nova Scotia has been completed.

This letter is to advise that, pursuant to Section 34 (1)(a) of the *Environment Act* and section 13 (1)(a) of the *Environmental Assessment Regulations*, I have determined that the Registration Document provided is insufficient to allow me to make a decision, and that I require additional information. Approximately 60 km² of area covering the location of 30 wind turbines did not have baseline field surveys completed for flora and fauna. The review determined that the following additional information is required in order to evaluate potential environmental effects that may be caused by the undertaking.

In consultation with Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources and Environment and Climate Change Canada regarding survey design, please provide:

- a. A minimum of one year of baseline field surveys for flora and fauna, including but not limited to mainland moose, bats, birds, turtles, plants and lichen within the approximately 60 km² portion of the study area, encompassing turbines T51, T53, T56, T60, OT61, T62-T64, OT65, OT70, T71, OT73, OT74, OT78, T79-T81, OT82, OT85, T86, OT87, T89, OT90, T92, T93, T95-T99 and associated infrastructure, where no baseline surveys have been conducted.

- b. All precise locations and spatial data, survey results, and survey efforts.

This information must be submitted by EverWind NS Holdings Ltd. & Membertou Development Corporation 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. Registration of the Addendum will require publication of a Notice to inform the public of the 40-day Addendum public comment period. If you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact Bridget Tutty, Manager, Environmental Assessment Branch, at (902) 452-7891 or via email at Bridget.Tutty@novascotia.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T. Halman', is positioned below the word 'Sincerely,'.

Honourable Timothy Halman, MLA
Minister of Environment and Climate Change

Cc: Bridget Tutty, Environment and Climate Change
Lynda Weatherby, Environment and Climate Change