NOTICE

Registration of Undertaking for Environmental Assessment ENVIRONMENT ACT

This is to advise that on June 28, 2023, Municipal Enterprises Limited registered the Middle River Pit Expansion Project for environmental assessment, in accordance with Part IV of the *Environment Act*.

The purpose of the proposed undertaking is to expand an existing gravel pit located east of NS-Route 30, at 71 MacIntyre Road, Middle River, Victoria County, Nova Scotia. The existing pit has been in operation for approximately 15 years. The land associated with the expanded pit will occupy a maximum of 14.83 hectares, which includes the existing pit footprint. The expanded pit will support continued extraction and production of quality aggregate products used primarily in the road construction industry in Victoria County and Inverness County. It is expected that the continued use of the pit will be identical, or very similar, to historic use at the site. The project is anticipated to commence during the 2024 construction season with production volumes of approximately 25,000 tonnes per year during years in which the pit is active.

Copies of the environmental assessment registration information may be reviewed at the following locations:

- Red Barn Gift Shop and Restaurant, 2 Cabot Trail, Nyanza, NS
- Victoria County Municipal Office, 495 Chebucto Street, Baddeck, NS
- Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Climate Change, Regional Office: 1030 Upper Prince Street, Suite 2, Sydney, NS
- NSECC EA website (when available) https://www.novascotia.ca/nse/ea/

The public is invited to submit written comments to:

Environmental Assessment Branch, Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change P.O. Box 442, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 2P8

on or before July 28, 2023 or contact the Department at 902-424-3600, 902-424-6925 (Fax), or e-mail at EA@novascotia.ca.

All comments received from the public consultation will be posted on the department's website for public viewing. In the case of an individual, the address, email and contact information will be removed before being placed on the website. By submitting your comments, you are consenting to the posting of your comments on the department's website.

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