NOTICE

Registration of Undertaking for Environmental Assessment ENVIRONMENT ACT

This is to advise that on May 13, 2025 Spence Aggregates Ltd. registered the Spence Aggregates Quarry Expansion Project for environmental assessment, in accordance with Part IV of the *Environment Act*.

The purpose of the proposed undertaking is to allow Spence Aggregates to expand the footprint at its existing approved quarry site at 126 Stark Road, near the community of Newport Station, Hants County, Nova Scotia (Parcel Identification Numbers: 45015484, 45015765, 45015773, 45015823, 45016011, 45282068). The project will expand the area of aggregate quarry from 4 hectares (ha) to 63 ha, to extend the life of the quarry. Work could start on the 59 ha expansion area within one year of approval and will extend over at least 30 years. Other than the increased size, the Project does not include an overall increase in production, and will continue to operate as it has been per the existing Industrial Approval. The proposed operation and maintenance schedule for the Project is year-round, the same as for the existing quarry. Project activities include clearing and grubbing, blasting, crushing and stockpiling, and transportation of aggregate. Progressive reclamation activities will occur throughout the life of the project.

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

- West Hants Regional Municipality Office, 76 Morison Drive, Windsor NS
- The Canada Post office located at 7760 Highway 14, Newport NS
- Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change Regional Office, 136 Exhibition Street, Kentville, NS
- EA website (when available) http://www.novascotia/ca/nse/ea

The public is invited to submit written comments to:

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

on or before June 22, 2025 or contact the Department at (902) 424-3600, (902) 424-6925 (Fax), or e-mail at <u>EA@novascotia.ca</u>.

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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