



**Department of Environment**

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John Woods  
Vice President - Energy Development  
Minas Basin Pulp and Power Co. Ltd  
FORCE Member  
53 Prince Street, PO Box 401  
Hantsport, NS B0P 1P0

Dear Mr. Woods:

**RE: Proposed Fundy Tidal Energy Demonstration Project**

The environmental assessment of the proposed Fundy Tidal Energy Demonstration Project, Minas Passage, Nova Scotia, has been completed.

This is to advise that I have approved the above project in accordance with Section 13(1)(b) of the *Environmental Assessment Regulations*, pursuant to Part IV of the *Environment Act*. I am satisfied following a review of the information provided by the Fundy Ocean Research Centre for Energy, and through the government and public consultation as part of the environmental assessment, that any adverse effects or significant environmental effects of the undertaking can be adequately mitigated through compliance with the attached terms and conditions.

This letter in conjunction with the attached terms and conditions constitutes my approval. 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 Manager, Environmental Assessment Branch, Ms. Lorrie Roberts at (902) 424-6344.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by*

Sterling Belliveau  
Minister

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