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February 5, 2010

Dear Mr. Geddes,

Re: Fundy Tidal Energy Demonstration Project – Revised Landfall Location

On behalf of FORCE, and further to your discussion of December 14, 2009 with Joe Kozak of AECOM, I would like to confirm that a new landfall site for the Interpretive Building has been selected for the Fundy Tidal Energy Demonstration Project .

The new landfall location is identified in the attached Plan, which provides the lot number, the locations of the building, driveway , parking lot, onshore cable and vaults. The new locations for the building and cables landfall are only a couple of hundred meters East of the sites identified in the Environmental Assessment Registration Document. Additional terrestrial and wetlands assessments were undertaken to include these new locations. As well, an archaeological impact resource assessment was completed in early December , 2009 and this Report was provided to the NS Department of Culture, Heritage and Tourism. The Terrestrial and Archaeological assessment reports, along with revised figures and Project Schedule, are attached for your records. The Final Survey Wetlands Report and additional reports on seabed benthics, physical oceanography and lobster catchability studies will be provided to you in the next week or so.

It is anticipated that the clearing and grubbing of the area will begin in mid February 2010, with the construction of the building footings and vaults soon thereafter. As required by the Terms and Conditions for EA Approval, Section 4, the NS Natural Resource's Wildlife Division and Environment Canada's Canadian Wildlife Service will be advised of the actual start dates in advance of work at the site.



I assume this is acceptable and please contact me if you have any issues or concerns. If you require additional information regarding the attachments, please contact Joe Kozak at 902-428-2028.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Woods".

John Woods
Chair, FORCE Board of Directors

CC: Doug Keefe, FORCE; Ken Meade, NSPI; Russell Stothers, Clean Current; Ted Currie, DFO; Julie Towers, NSDNR; Harry Ashcroft, NS DNR; Stephen Zwicker, EC; Charlette Myra, TC; Julie Harris, NRCan

List of Attachments

1. Project Location – Revised Figure 1-1
2. Onshore Project Features – Revised Figure 2-5
3. Project Schedule
4. Archaeology Resource Impact Assessment (via CD)
5. Terrestrial Bird Survey, Minas Passage Tidal Demonstration Site – Shore Facilities and Cable Landfall



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July 7, 2010

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Dear Mr. Geddes;

Re: Fundy Tidal Energy Demonstration Project – Change to the Project

This letter is to inform you of a proposed change to the Fundy Tidal Energy Demonstration Project recently approved by the FORCE Board of Directors.

The Nova Scotia Department of Energy has asked FORCE to develop a fourth grid connected berth for demonstration of in stream tidal energy devices. On the basis of this request FORCE will order a fourth submarine cable as part of the order being finalized this month.

We understand that the fourth turbine will be selected by the Province through a competitive bid process similar to that used to select the current berth holders. We will advise regulators of turbine design details as these become available to FORCE.

We are in the process of identifying a suitable site for the fourth berth but it will be located within the approved Project Crown Lease area. The route and precise length of the proposed fourth cable route will be provided to you when finalized. Deployment of the fourth cable will occur at the same time as the other three cables identified under the approved Project. This will be less disruptive to the marine and terrestrial environments and will be more cost effective for the Project.

Based on previous background environmental monitoring and effects studies, which included the full Crown Lease and new cable route area, no new environmental effects are anticipated by the additional berth and marine cable. As well, the new proposed areas will be part of the ongoing background studies and the Project's Environmental Effects Monitoring Program, which is presently underway. As you are aware, an EA Addendum is being prepared for submission to Natural Resources Canada as part of their CEAA screening requirements. This Addendum will include all the most recent additional background studies and EEMP results and comment on any new potential effects from the fourth berth and cable. A draft EA Addendum will be provided to you, and other agencies, for their review in the near future.

FORCE will provide an update to the Environmental Monitoring Advisory Committee and the Community Liaison Committee on these proposed additions to the Project in the next couple of weeks.

I would appreciate it if you would inform me of any additional information you require, and the next steps from our perspective to ensure that these proposed changes are acceptable. Please do not hesitate to contact Joe Kozak or me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Keefe', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Douglas J. Keefe,
Executive Director
FORCE

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