

## **Appendix H12**

### **First Nations Correspondence**

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FIRST NATIONS CONTACT LIST  
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Agency	Title	First Name	Last Name	Position	Phone	Fax	Email	Address
Walpole Island First Nation			Chief and Council		519-627-1481	519-627-0440	Dean.Jacobs@wifn.org	RR#3 Wallaceburg ON N8A 4K9
Caldwell First Nation	Mr.	Larry	Johnson	Chief	519-676-5499	519-676-5899	Caldwel1@ciaccess.com	R.R# 2 10297 Talbot Rd. Blenheim ON N0P 1A0
Delaware Nation (Moravian of the Thames)	Mr.	Gregory	Peters	Chief	(519) 692-3936	519 692-5522		14760 School House Line R.R. #3 Thamesville ON N0P 2K0
Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians		Denise	Stonefish	Grand Chief	(519)434-2761			2212 Elm Ave. R.R. #2 Southwold, ON N0L 2G0
Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs	Mr.	Alan	Kary	Deputy Director, Policy and Relationships Branch				720 Bay St. 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto ON M5G 2K1
Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs	Mr.	Richard	Saunders	Director, Office of the Secretary, Negotiations	416-326-2364	416-326-4017	Richard.saunders@osaa.gov.on.ca	720 Bay St. 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto ON M5G 2K1

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Ontario Ministry of Attorney General, Crown Law Office - Civil	Mr.	Grant	Wedge	Counsel, Crown Law Office - Civil	416-326-4112	416-326-4181	Grant.wedge@jus.gov.on.ca	720 Bay St., 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto ON M5G 2K1
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Mr.	Roy	Angelo	Acting Manager, Environment Unit & Natural Resources	416-973-2131	416-954-4328	angelor@inac.gc.ca	Lands and Trusts Services Department of Indian and Northern Affairs 25 St. Clair Avenue East, 8th Floor Toronto ON M4T 1M2
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Ms.	Maryanne	Pearce	Senior Claims Analyst, Ontario Research Team, Specific Claims Branch	819-953-1940	819-997-9873	pearcem@inac.gc.ca	10 Wellington Street Gatineau, Quebec Canada K1A 0H4
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Ms.	Louise	Trepanier	Director CLAIMS - EAST OF MANITOBA	819-994-1211	819-953-3109	trepanierl@inac.gc.ca	10 Wellington Street Gatineau, Quebec Canada K1A 0H4

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Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Mr.	Shannon	Doyle	A/Director, Lands and Trust Services Ontario Region	416-973-7451	416-954-4328	doyles@inac.gc.ca	25 St Clair Avenue East, 8th Floor Toronto, Ontario Canada M4T 1M2
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Mr.	Franklin	Roy	Director	(819) 997-3582	819-997-1679	royf@inac.gc.ca	10 Wellington Street Gatineau, Quebec Canada K1A 0H4

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Walpole Island First Nation	Chief and Council RR#3 Wallaceburg ON N8A 4K9	23 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In response to the letter sent July 24 2006</li> <li>• Not aware of any First Nation claims that will have an impact on this project</li> <li>• Project could be of interest to Bkejwanong Territory and Delaware Nation (Moravian of the Thames)</li> </ul>	24 July 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent Notice of Commencement</li> <li>• Was intended to be an update for the original project started on October 16, 2003</li> <li>• Please contact the study team if you have any information which could assist in compiling an environmental features inventory</li> </ul>
Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs	Mr Richard Saunders Director, Office of the Secretary, Negotiations Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs 720 Bay St. Toronto ON M5G 2K1			24 July 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent Notice of Commencement</li> <li>• Requested information pertaining to land claims within the study area and if the study area is within an area subject to litigation</li> </ul>
Ontario Ministry of Attorney General – Crown Law Office	Mr Grant Wedge Counsel, Crown Law Office - Civil Ontario Ministry of Attorney General, Crown Law Office - Civil 720 Bay St., 8th Floor Toronto ON M5G 2K1			24 July 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent Notice of Commencement</li> <li>• Requested information pertaining to land claims within the study area and if the study area is within an area subject to litigation</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada – Environment Unit and Natural Resources	Mr. Roy Angelo Acting Manager, Environment Unit & Natural Resources Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Lands and Trusts Services Department of Indian and Northern Affairs 25 St. Clair Avenue East, 8th Floor Toronto ON M4T 1M2			24 July 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent Notice of Commencement</li> <li>• Requested information pertaining to land claims within the study area and if the study area is within an area subject to litigation</li> </ul>

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Indian and Northern Affairs Canada – Specific Claims Branch	Ms. Maryanne Pearce Senior Claims Analyst, Ontario Research Team, Specific Claims Branch Indian and Northern Affairs Canada 10 Wellington Street Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0H4			24 July 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent Notice of Commencement</li> <li>• Requested information pertaining to land claims within the study area and if the study area is within an area subject to litigation</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada – Claims East of Manitoba	Ms. Louise Trepanier Director CLAIMS - EAST OF MANITOBA Indian and Northern Affairs Canada 10 Wellington Street Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0H4			24 July 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent Notice of Commencement</li> <li>• Requested information pertaining to land claims within the study area and if the study area is within an area subject to litigation</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Mr. Shannon Doyle A/Director, Lands and Trust Services Ontario Region Indian and Northern Affairs Canada 25 St Clair Avenue East, 8th Floor Toronto, ON M4T 1M2			24 July 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent Notice of Commencement</li> <li>• Requested information pertaining to land claims within the study area and if the study area is within an area subject to litigation</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Mr. Franklin Roy Director Indian and Northern Affairs Canada 10 Wellington Street Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0H4			24 July 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent Notice of Commencement</li> <li>• Requested information pertaining to land claims within the study area and if the study area is within an area subject to litigation</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Susan Winger Manager, Portfolio Operations East Litigation Management and Resolution Branch	03 August 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In response to letter sent out July 24, 2006 requesting information on Gosfield Comber study area falling within a region subject to litigation.</li> <li>• Current litigation under the LMR Branch has been reviewed and the inventory does include litigation</li> </ul>		

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	25 Eddy St. Room 1430 Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0H4		involving the area of this property. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The litigation is entitled <i>Walpole Island First Nation, Bkejwanong Territory v. Attorney General of Canada, Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario</i>.</li> <li>• Ms. Winger is unable to comment with respect to the possible effect of this claim as the case has not yet been adjudicated and any statement regarding the outcome of the litigation would be speculative at this point. INAC recommends that Stantec consult with a lawyer as to the effect this action could have on the lands Stantec is concerned with.</li> <li>• For further details about the land claim, a copy of the pleadings can be obtained from the court for a fee. The court file # at the Ontario Superior Court of Justice is #00-CV-189329</li> <li>• Maryanne Pearce at the Specific Claims Branch should also be contacted for information on current specific land claims.</li> <li>• Guy Morin at the Comprehensive Claims Branch should be contacted to inquire about any current comprehensive claims.</li> </ul>		
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Maryanne Pearce Senior Claims Analyst Ontario Research Team Specific Claims Branch 10 Wellington Street Gatineau, Quebec Canada K1A 0H4	04 August 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In response to letter of July 24, 2006 requesting information on land claims</li> <li>• The Specific Claims Branch has conducted a search of their records and have determined that no specific claims have been submitted in area of interest.</li> <li>• The Comprehensive Claims Branch and the Litigation Management and Resolution Branch should be contacted to determine whether or not any other land claims exist.</li> </ul>		

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Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Rachel Speller Environment Officer Environment Unit INAC – Ontario Region 25 St. Clair Ave E. 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, Ontario, M4T 1M2	9 August 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you for your notice dated July 24, 2006</li> <li>• INAC has 2 claims departments that should be contacted regarding land claim issues; for non-litigation land claims and for land claims in litigation. These should be contacted.</li> <li>• A list of resources was provided to assist in identifying Aboriginal groups within the vicinity of a specific proposed project.</li> </ul>	10 August 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you for your letter and your offer of a signed paper copy. We would appreciate a hard copy for our files.</li> <li>• We have contacted the two claims departments in INAC that you refer to in your letter.</li> <li>• Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the project.</li> </ul>
Ministry of the Attorney General  Crown Law Office – Civil Law	Grant Wedge Counsel – Aboriginal Legal Issues Office 720 Bay St. 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto ON M5G 2K1 Ph. 416-326-4112 Fax. 416-326-4181	11 October 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I apologize for the delay in responding.</li> <li>• You should be aware that the area in Essex County was part of the territory covered by pre-Confederation Treaty #2, in 1790.</li> <li>• There have been claims raised in the past to both Canada and Ontario by both the Walpole Island and Caldwell First Nations that may impact upon the lands that are included in your study area.</li> <li>• You may wish to contact the First Nations directly at the following addresses for further information on their claims</li> <li>• In addition there is an open litigation from the file from the Walpole Island First Nation respecting lands and waters throughout southwestern Ontario.</li> <li>• You should also contact the specific and comprehensive claims branches of INAC, as well as the litigation management and resolution branch of INAC.</li> </ul>		
Caldwell First Nation	Chief and Council Caldwell First Nation 10297 Talbot Road Blenheim, ON NOP 1A0			16 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided Notice of Commencement</li> </ul>

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Walpole Island First Nation	Chief and Council Walpole Island First Nation R.R. #3 Wallaceburg ON N8A 4K9			24 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation to the December 7 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Caldwell First Nation	Chief Larry Johnson Caldwell First Nation 10297 Talbot Road Blenheim, ON N0P 1A0			24 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation to the December 7 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs	Richard Saunders Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs 720 Bay St. Toronto ON M5G 2K1			24 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation to the December 7 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Ontario Ministry of Attorney General	Grant Wedge			24 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation to the December 7 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Roy Angelo Lands and Trusts Services			24 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation to the December 7 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Maryanne Pearce, Franklin Roy and Louise Trepanier 10 Wellington St Gatineau Quebec			24 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation to the December 7 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Shannon Doyle 25 St. Clair Ave East Toronto ON			24 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation to the December 7 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Don Boswell Specific Claims Claims Analyst 1-819-956-2258	28 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• INAC suggest that you extend your invitation to the open house to Caldwell First Nation and</li> </ul>	30 November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you for the information</li> <li>• An invitation has been sent to the Caldwell and Walpole Island First Nations</li> </ul>

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Indian and Northern Affairs Canada – Comprehensive Claims Branch	Gail Mitchell 819-953-2909	16 January 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No comprehensive claims in the County of Essex</li> </ul>		
Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs	Mr. Grant Wedge Director, Legal Services Branch Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs 4th Floor 720 Bay St. Toronto ON M5G 2K1			5 February 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is a follow-up to our earlier correspondence to OSAA dated 24 July 2006 and 24 November 2006</li> <li>Requesting any information relating to land claims present within the study area and if the study area falls within lands subject to litigation</li> </ul>
Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians	Grand Chief Denise Stonefish Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians 2212 Elm Avenue RR#2 Southwold, ON N0L 2G0			12 February 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provided background on project and the First Nations that have previously been sent project information</li> <li>Please contact the study team if you have any comments or questions</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Roy Angelo Acting Manager, Environment Unit & Natural Resources Lands and Trusts Services Department of Indian and Northern Affairs 25 St. Clair Avenue East, 8th Floor Toronto ON M4T 1M2			27 June 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provided information regarding the Project and estimated completion date</li> <li>Requested any information on any certain or reasonable foreseeable actions or projects unrelated to the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project within or adjacent to the study area</li> <li>Feel free to contact the study team at any time if you have any questions or concerns</li> </ul>

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Caldwell First Nation	Chief Larry Johnson R.R# 2 10297 Talbot Rd. Blenheim ON N0P 1A0			27 June 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided information regarding the Project and estimated completion date</li> <li>• Requested any information on any certain or reasonable foreseeable actions or projects unrelated to the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project within or adjacent to the study area</li> <li>• Feel free to contact the study team at any time if you have any questions or concerns</li> </ul>
Delaware First Nation (Moravian of the Thames)	Chief John Stonefish 14760 School House Line R.R. #3 Thamesville, ON N0P 2K0			27 June 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided information regarding the Project and estimated completion date</li> <li>• Requested any information on any certain or reasonable foreseeable actions or projects unrelated to the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project within or adjacent to the study area</li> <li>• Feel free to contact the study team at any time if you have any questions or concerns</li> </ul>

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Delaware Nation (Moravian of the Thames)	Chief Gregory Peters 14760 School House Line R.R. #3 Thamesville, ON N0P 2K0			11 July 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided background on the project</li> <li>• Indicated that the OSSA informed Stantec that the Delaware Nation may have an interest in the project</li> <li>• Please contact us at any time to provide comments or questions</li> </ul>
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	Miranda Lesperance Jr. Environment Officer Environment Unit INAC - Ontario Region 25 St. Clair Avenue E. 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, Ontario M4T 1M2 <a href="mailto:lesperancem@inac.gc.ca">lesperancem@inac.gc.ca</a>	25 July 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided sources of information to assist Stantec in determining the appropriate First Nations which should be consulted with</li> </ul>		
Walpole Island First Nation	Chief Gilbert RR#3 Wallaceburg			27 August 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation letter to the September 12 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Caldwell First Nation	Chief Larry Johnson RR#2 10297 Talbot Rd/ Blenheim ON			27 August 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation letter to the September 12 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Delaware Nation (Moravian of the Thames)	Chief Gregory Peters 14760 School House Line R.R. #3 Thamesville, ON N0P 2K0			27 August 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent invitation letter to the September 12 Public Open House</li> </ul>
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Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians	(519)434-2761			11 September 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contacted by phone to provide a reminder regarding the Sept 12 Public Open House</li> <li>• It was indicated that it would be unlikely that the AIAI would attend</li> </ul>
Caldwell First Nation	Chief Larry Johnson			11 September 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contacted by phone to provide information regarding the Sept 12 Public Open House</li> </ul>

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Moravian of the Thames	(519) 692-3936			11 September 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contacted by phone to provide information regarding the Sept 12 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Walpole Island First Nation	519-627-1481			11 September 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contacted by phone to provide information regarding the Sept 12 Public Open House</li> </ul>
Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians	(519)434-2761			29 October 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contacted by phone to advise that a copy of the Draft ESR will be sent later on during the week for their review and comment</li> </ul>
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Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs  
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**Attention Richard Saunders:**

Dear Mr Saunders:

**Reference: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

Brookfield Power is proposing to construct a wind energy project in the County of Essex, Ontario. The Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project will be designed to generate approximately 200 megawatts (MW) of power.

Brookfield Power has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. ("Stantec"), an environmental consulting firm, to prepare an Environmental Screening Report ("ESR") as required under Ontario Regulation 116/01 of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. A Notice of Commencement (NoC) for this project was issued on October 16, 2003. As described in the update to the NoC (see attached), the ESR will be completed as required for a "Category B" project under the Ministry of the Environment's screening process outlined in their "Guide to Environmental Assessment Requirements for Electricity Projects" (March 2001).

As applicable, the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project will also have regard for federal requirements. Brookfield Power and Stantec will work with the appropriate federal authorities to determine any requirements for federal permits, or approvals under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*.

Stantec is currently compiling an environmental, socio-economic, and archaeological inventory within the general area of study (see attached Notice of Commencement). Information collected will be used to prepare the ESR and will be made available to stakeholders for review and comment as part of the Environmental Screening Process. At this stage of the project, Stantec

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is requesting your agency to provide comments, or co-ordinate comments regarding the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project, regarding:

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Stantec has included your agency on our contact list a means of keeping you informed of key activities in the Project. Brookfield Power and Stantec would like to take this opportunity to extend our thanks for your participation in this renewable energy initiative.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

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720 Bay St., 8th Floor  
Toronto ON M5G 2K1

**Attention Grant Wedge:**

Dear Mr Wedge:

**Reference: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

Brookfield Power is proposing to construct a wind energy project in the County of Essex, Ontario. The Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project will be designed to generate approximately 200 megawatts (MW) of power.

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Sincerely,

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July 24, 2006  
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Ms. Maryanne Pearce  
Senior Claims Analyst,  
Ontario Research Team,  
Specific Claims Branch  
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
10 Wellington Street  
Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0H4

**Attention Maryanne Pearce:**

Dear Ms. Pearce:

**Reference: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

Brookfield Power is proposing to construct a wind energy project in the County of Essex, Ontario. The Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project will be designed to generate approximately 200 megawatts (MW) of power.

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Ms. Louise Trepanier  
Director  
CLAIMS - EAST OF MANITOBA  
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
10 Wellington Street  
Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0H4

**Attention Louise Trepanier:**

Dear Ms. Trepanier:

**Reference: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

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Mr. Shannon Doyle  
A/Director, Lands and Trust Services Ontario Region  
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
25 St Clair Avenue East, 8th Floor  
Toronto, ON M4T 1M2

**Attention Shannon Doyle:**

Dear Mr. Doyle:

**Reference: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

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Mr. Franklin Roy  
Director  
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
10 Wellington Street  
Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0H4

**Attention Franklin Roy:**

Dear Mr. Roy:

**Reference: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

Brookfield Power is proposing to construct a wind energy project in the County of Essex, Ontario. The Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project will be designed to generate approximately 200 megawatts (MW) of power.

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Mr. Rob Nadolny  
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Dear Mr. Nadolny:

**Re: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

I'm writing in response your letter of July 24, 2006 to Franklin Roy indicating your request to see whether the study area for the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project falls within a region subject to litigation.

We have reviewed the current litigation under the responsibility of the Litigation Management and Resolution Branch and can advise that our inventory does include litigation that involves the area of this property. It is entitled *Walpole Island First Nation, Bkejwanong Territory v. Attorney General of Canada, Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario*.

I am unable to comment with respect to the possible effect of this claim as the case has not yet been adjudicated and any statement regarding the outcome of the litigation would be speculative at this point. It is recommended that you consult with a lawyer as to the effect this action could have on the lands you are concerned with.

For further details about the claim such as its status and process, a copy of the pleadings can be obtained from the court for a fee. Please contact the Ontario Superior Court of Justice and make reference to court file #00-CV-189329.

For information on any claims you should also contact Maryanne Pearce of the Specific Claims Branch at (819) 953-1940 to inquire about any current Specific Claims, and Guy Morin of the Comprehensive Claims Branch at (819) 956-0325 to inquire about any current Comprehensive Claims.

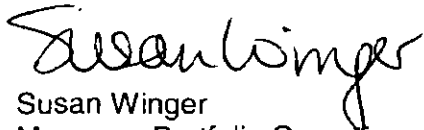
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If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

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Susan Winger  
Manager, Portfolio Operations East  
Litigation Management and Resolution Branch

c.c.: Franklin Roy  
Acting Director General  
Litigation Management and Resolution Branch

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Dear Mr. Nadolny:

**Re: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project - County of Essex, Ontario**

This letter is in response to your letter of July 24, 2006, in which you inquired as to whether there were any First Nation land claims that would affect the above mentioned project.

We have conducted a search of our records and determined that no specific claims have been submitted in the area of interest. Although no specific claims affecting the indicated municipality has been filed to date, we cannot make any representations regarding potential or future claims.

Please rest assured that it is the policy of the Government of Canada as expressed in *Outstanding Business: A Native Claims Policy* that "In any settlement of specific native claims the government will take third party interests into account. As a general rule, the government will not accept any settlement which will lead to third parties being dispossessed".

We can only speak directly to claims filed under the Specific Claims Policy for the Province of Ontario. We cannot make any comments regarding potential or future claims, or claims filed under other departmental policies. This includes claims under Canada's Comprehensive Claims Policy or legal action by First Nations against the Crown. You will have to contact the Comprehensive Claims Branch at (819) 994-7521 or the Litigation Management and Resolution Branch at (819) 934-2185 directly for more information.

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Specific Claims has developed a "Public Information Status Report" on all claims which have been submitted to date. This information is available to the public on the Indian and Northern Affairs Canada website and can be found at [http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ps/clm/pis\\_e.html](http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ps/clm/pis_e.html).

I hope this information will assist you in any further queries. As there are no specific claims in the affected area, it is not necessary to keep this office informed of the project's progress. I trust that this satisfactorily addresses your concerns. If you wish to discuss this matter further please contact me at (819) 953-1940.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maryanne Pearce". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

Maryanne Pearce  
Senior Claims Analyst  
Ontario Research Team  
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Dear Mr. Nadolny:

**RE: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

Thank you for your notice of July 24, 2006 regarding the above project.

INAC has two claims departments that you can contact regarding land claims issues occurring in the project area. For non-litigation land claims please contact Maryanne Pearce at (819) 953-1940 or [pearcem@inac.gc.ca](mailto:pearcem@inac.gc.ca). For any claims in litigation please contact Franklin Roy's office and supply a map of the area you are interested in and any time constraints you are working with. Franklin Roy can be reached at (819) 997-3582 or [royf@inac.gc.ca](mailto:royf@inac.gc.ca).

Also, to assist with identifying Aboriginal groups within the vicinity of a specific proposed project, the following resources will be of assistance:

- The Chiefs of Ontario website (<http://www.chiefs-of-ontario.org>) provides a directory of contact information for all First Nations and Chiefs, as well as a map of the locations of all Ontario First Nations.
- Natural Resources Canada, Legal Surveys Division, produces a 1:2 000 000 map entitled "Canada - Indian Communities, Ontario", showing all First Nation reserve lands and communities in Ontario.
- Natural Resources Canada's online *Aboriginal Communities and Minerals and Metals Activities* map, showing all First Nation reserve lands and communities across Canada, is available at: [http://atlas.gc.ca/cgi-bin/mapserv\\_35?map=/home/mapdata/legalsurveys/aboriginal.map&template=template\\_en.html](http://atlas.gc.ca/cgi-bin/mapserv_35?map=/home/mapdata/legalsurveys/aboriginal.map&template=template_en.html)
- A search by place name at the Canadian Geographical Names database ([http://geonames.nrcan.gc.ca/search/search\\_e.php](http://geonames.nrcan.gc.ca/search/search_e.php)) will generate a map which shows any nearby Indian reserve lands in grey.
- The Métis Nation of Ontario (<http://www.metisnation.org/>) may be able to provide information regarding Métis interests with respect to a particular project.

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- The Ontario Federation of Indian Friendship Centres website provides a list of all friendship centres in Ontario, at: <http://www.ofifc.org/Centres/OfficeList.asp?Region='ON'>
- For enquiries regarding land claims in Ontario, please contact the INAC Specific Claims Branch directly: Ontario Team North at (819) 994-0515; and Ontario Team South at (819) 953-4622

Thank you for your time and consideration,



Rachel Speller  
Environment Officer  
Environment Unit  
INAC - Ontario Region  
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Bureau des avocats  
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Toronto ON M5G 2K1

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Stantac Consulting Ltd.  
361 Southgate Drive  
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Dear Mr. Nadolny:

**Re: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

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Further to your letter of July 24, 2006, on behalf of Brookfield Power regarding the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project, I apologize for the delay in responding.

You should be aware that the area in Essex County was part of the territory covered by pre-Confederation Treaty # 2, in 1790. There have been claims raised in the past to both Canada and Ontario by both the Walpole Island and Caldwell First Nations, that may impact upon the lands that are included in your study area.

You may wish to contact the First Nations directly at the following addresses for further information on their claims.

Contact information:

**The Walpole Island, or Bkejwanong, First Nation --**

Address: RR #, Wallaceburg, ON  
Postal Code: N8A 4K9  
Phone: (519) 627-1481  
Fax: (519) 627-0440

**The Caldwell First Nation:**

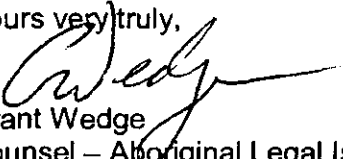
Address: 10297 Talbot Road, Blenheim, Ontario  
Postal Code: N0P 1A0  
Phone: (519) 676-5499  
Fax: (519) 676-5899

In addition, there is an open litigation file from the Walpole Island First Nation respecting lands and waters throughout southwestern Ontario. This matter -- court file # 00-CV-189329 -- is being handled through Crown Law Office-Civil.

Finally, you should be sure to contact the respective offices of the federal Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development:

- 1) Specific Claims, INAC  
Director General  
Room 1660  
10 Wellington Street  
Gatineau, Québec  
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- 2) Comprehensive Claim Branch, INAC  
Director General  
8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Room 8G4  
10 Wellington Street  
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- 3) Litigation Management and Resolution Branch, INAC  
10 Wellington Street  
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Yours very truly,

  
Grant Wedge  
Counsel – Aboriginal Legal Issues Office

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November 16, 2006  
File: 160960113

Chief and Council  
Caldwell First Nation  
10297 Talbot Road  
Blenheim, ON  
N0P 1A0

**Attention: Chief and Council**

Dear Chief and Council,

**Reference: Notice of Commencement of Environmental Screening  
Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

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Stantec was recently informed by Indian and Northern Affairs Canada ("INAC") that the Caldwell First Nation may have an interest in this project. To provide the study team with your comments, or for further information, please contact the study team as noted on the attached Notice of

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

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C: Sherra Zulerons, Brookfield Power

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website: [www.aboriginalaffairs.osaa.gov.on.ca](http://www.aboriginalaffairs.osaa.gov.on.ca)

November 23, 2006

Rob Nadolny  
Senior Project Manager  
Stantec Consulting Ltd.  
361 Southgate Drive  
Guelph, Ontario  
N1G 3M5

Dear Mr. Rob Nadolny:

**Re: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

Thank you for your enquiry dated July 24, 2006 to Richard Saunders of the Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs (OSAA) regarding the above noted project. We would like to apologize for the delay in responding to your request.

The mandated responsibilities of OSAA include conducting land claim negotiations and finalizing and implementing land claim settlement agreements on behalf of the Province. In light of this mandate, OSAA has reviewed the materials and notes that it is not aware of any First Nation land claims submitted to the Government of Ontario that will have an impact on this project.

For your information, OSAA notes that the proposed project could impact or be of interest to Aboriginal peoples. OSAA recommends that your office contact the following First Nations:

Bkejwanong Territory  
(Walpole Island)  
R.R. #3  
WALLACEBURG, Ontario  
N8A 4K9  
(519) 627-1481  
(Fax) 627-0440  
[Joseph.gilbert@wifn.org](mailto:Joseph.gilbert@wifn.org)  
[Doy.Nahdee@wifn.org](mailto:Doy.Nahdee@wifn.org)

Delaware Nation  
(Moravian of the Thames)  
14760 School House Line  
R.R. #3  
THAMESVILLE, Ontario  
N0P 2K0  
(519) 692-3936  
(Fax) 692-5522

As well, the Government of Canada sometimes receives claims that Ontario does not receive, or with which Ontario does not become involved. For information about possible claims in the area, OSAA recommends the proponent contact the following federal contacts:

Don Boswell  
A/Sr Claims Analyst  
Ontario Research Team  
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
10 Wellington St.  
Gatineau, QC K1A 0H4  
Tel: (819) 953-1940  
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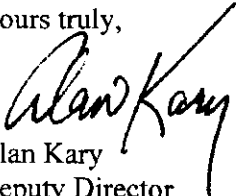
Louise Trepanier  
Director, Claims East of Manitoba  
Comprehensive Claims Branch  
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
10 Wellington St., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Gatineau, QC K1A 0H4  
Tel: (819) 994-1211  
Fax: (819) 953-3109

OSAA notes that this project could possibly fall within an area subject to litigation by Walpole Island First Nation. For further information on the nature of possible litigation, its status and the litigation process, OSAA recommends you call or write the following Ministry of the Attorney General contact:

Ria Tzimas, Counsel  
Crown Law Office  
Ministry of the Attorney General  
8th floor, 720 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M5G 2K1  
Tel: (416) 326-4930

For future E. A. inquiries direct your correspondence to me. You may contact Surinder Singh Gill, Policy Advisor, OSAA at (416) 314-6781 if you have any further inquiries.

Yours truly,

  
Alan Kary  
Deputy Director  
Policy and Relationships Branch

c: Surinder Singh Gill

**Brookfield Power**

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November 24, 2006

Chief and Council  
Walpole Island First Nation  
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Wallaceburg ON N8A 4K9

**RE: Notice of Public Open House: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

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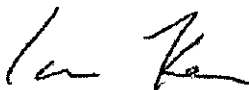
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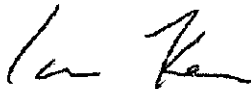
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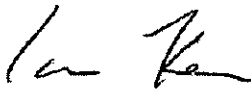
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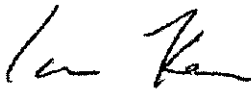
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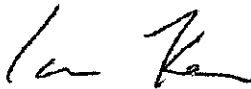
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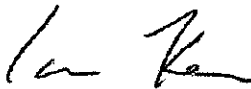
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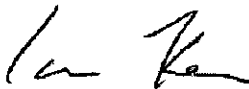
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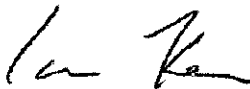
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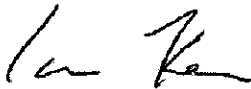
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## Stinson, Carol

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**From:** comments@gosfieldcomberwind.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2006 10:25 AM  
**To:** Rudzki, Kristina  
**Subject:** [Fwd: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project]

----- Original Message -----

**Subject:** Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project  
**From:** "Don Boswell" <boswelld@ainc-inac.gc.ca>  
**Date:** Tue, November 28, 2006 12:04 pm  
**To:** comments@gosfieldcomberwind.com

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Attn: Michael Candido

With respect to your letter of November 24, 2006 regarding the above we would suggest that you extend an invitation to the Caldwell First Nation at 10297 Talbot Trail, R.R. #2, Blenheim, Ontario N0P 1A0 or by telephone at (519) 676-5499. the Caldwell First nation and the Government of Canada are presently negotiating to settle the Caldwell First Nation's specific claim. In any settlement of specific claims the government will take third party interests into account. As a general rule, the government will not accept any settlement which will lead to third parties being dispossessed. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Martin Sampson, Negotiator, Ontario South, Negotiations Directorate, Specific Claims Branch, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Ottawa Ontario K1A 0H4. Mr. Sampson can also be reached by telephone at (819) 953-1739; his e-mail address is sampsonm@ainc-inac.gc.ca.

You may also wish to contact the Walpole Island First Nation RR #3 WALLACEBURG, Ontario N8A 4K9 (519) 627-1481. They have a number of claims in the area and may be interested in hearing about this project.

Specific Claims has developed a "Public Information Status Report" on all claims which have been submitted to date. This information is available to the public on the Indian and Northern Affairs Canada website and can be found at [http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ps/clm/pis\\_e.html](http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ps/clm/pis_e.html).

I hope this information will assist you in proceeding with your consultations on this matter. If you wish to discuss this matter further please contact me (819) 953-1940.

Don Boswell  
Specific Claims  
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*Votre référence - Your file*

*Notre référence - Our file*

RE: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project

Dear Mr. Kerr,

I am responding to your request of information sent to the Comprehensive Claims Branch, received by mail, on December 28, 2006.

We can confirm that there are no comprehensive claims in the County of Essex, Ontario. We cannot make any comments regarding potential or future claims, or claims filed under other departmental policies. This includes claims under Canada's Specific Claims Policy or legal action by the First Nation against the Crown. For more information, I suggest you contact Audrey Stewart, Director General, Specific Claims Branch at (819) 994-2323 and Franklin Roy, Director General, Litigation Management and Resolution Branch at (819) 997-3582.

Yours truly,

Gail Mitchell  
Director  
Policy and Coordination Directorate  
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February 12, 2007  
File: 160960113

Grand Chief Denise Stonefish  
Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians  
2212 Elm Avenue  
RR#2  
Southwold, ON  
N0L 2G0

**Attention: Grand Chief Denise Stonefish**

Dear Grand Chief Stonefish

**Reference: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

Brookfield Power is proposing to construct a wind energy project in the County of Essex, Ontario (see enclosed map). The Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project will be designed to generate approximately 200 megawatts (MW) of power.

Brookfield Power has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. ("Stantec"), an environmental consulting firm, to prepare an Environmental Screening Report ("ESR") as required under Ontario Regulation 116/01 of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. A Notice of Commencement (NoC) for this project was issued on October 16, 2003. As described in the update to the NoC (see attached) the ESR will be completed as required for a "Category B" project under the Ministry of the Environment's screening process outlined in their "Guide to Environmental Assessment Requirements for Electricity Projects" (March 2001).

As applicable, the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project will also have regard for federal requirements. Brookfield Power and Stantec will work with the appropriate federal authorities to determine any requirements for federal permits, or approvals under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*.

The development of the ESR includes an extensive consultation program. Throughout this process we have included the Caldwell First Nation and the Walpole Island First Nation as part of our consultation efforts.

**Stantec**

February 12, 2007  
Grand Chief Denise Stonefish  
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Currently the project team is in the process of compiling and analyzing environmental information, planning a second Public Open House and working to develop a preliminary layout for the turbines and ancillary facilities. Additional information can be found on the project website at [www.gosfieldcomberwind.com](http://www.gosfieldcomberwind.com). Stantec has included the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians on our contact list as a means of keeping you informed of key activities in the Project. Brookfield Power and Stantec would like to take this opportunity to extend our thanks for your participation in this renewable energy initiative.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions or comments you have regarding the project.

Sincerely,

**STANTEC CONSULTING LTD.**



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Attachment: Figure 2 Study Area Map

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APR 10 2007

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Stantec Consulting Ltd.  
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Dear Mr. Nadolny,

**Re: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

I am writing in regards to a number of letters addressed to Franklin Roy regarding the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project so that I can clarify our input with you.

We can advise that our inventory includes active litigation in the vicinity of this proposed wind energy project. It is entitled *Walpole Island First Nation, Bkejwanong Territory v. Attorney General of Canada, Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario*.

I am unable to comment with respect to the possible effect of this claim as the case has not yet been adjudicated and any statement regarding the outcome of the litigation would be speculative at this point. It is recommended that you consult legal counsel as to the effect this actions could have on the lands you are concerned with.

If you are interested in further details about the claim, a copy of the pleadings can be obtained from the Ontario Superior Court of Justice for a fee; please contact the Court and make reference to court file #00-CV-189329.

We cannot make any comments regarding potential future claims, or claims filed under other departmental policies. For information on any claims you should also contact Luc Lavigne of the Specific Claims Branch at (819) 953-2228 to inquire about any Specific Claims, and Guy Morin of the Comprehensive Claims Branch at (819) 956-0325 to inquire about any current Comprehensive Claims.

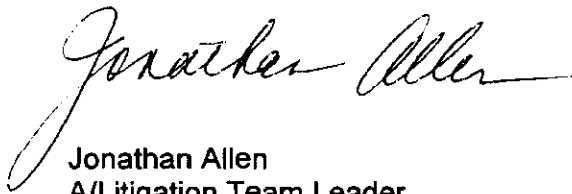
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Please note I have corresponded separately on this project with Mr. Kerr of Brookfield Power Corporation.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (819)956-3181.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jonathan Allen". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Jonathan Allen  
A/Litigation Team Leader  
Litigation Portfolio Operations East  
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July 11, 2007  
File: 160960113

Chief Gregory Peters  
Delaware Nation  
(Moravian of the Thames)  
14760 School House Line  
R.R. #3  
Thamesville, ON N0P 2K0

**Attention: Chief Gregory Peters**

Dear Chief Peters:

**Reference: Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

Brookfield Power is proposing to construct a wind energy project in the County of Essex, Ontario. The Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project will be designed to generate between 200 and 240 megawatts (MW) of power.

Brookfield Power has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. ("Stantec"), an environmental consulting firm, to prepare an Environmental Screening Report ("ESR") as required under Ontario Regulation 116/01 of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. A Notice of Commencement (NoC) for this project was issued on October 16, 2003. An updated NoC was issued in July of 2006 (see attached). Please note that the study area boundaries have since changed (see enclosed map). The ESR will be completed as required for a "Category B" project under the Ministry of the Environment's screening process outlined in their "Guide to Environmental Assessment Requirements for Electricity Projects" (March 2001).

As applicable, the Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project will also have regard for federal requirements. Brookfield Power and Stantec will work with the appropriate federal authorities to determine any requirements for federal permits, or approvals under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*.

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July 11, 2007  
Chief  
Page 2 of 2

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Stantec was recently informed by the Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs (OSSA) that the Delaware First Nation (Moravian of the Thames) may have an interest in this project. To provide the study team with your comments, or for further information, please contact the study team as noted on the attached Notice of Commencement. Brookfield Power and Stantec would like to take this opportunity to extend our thanks for your participation in this renewable energy initiative.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

**STANTEC CONSULTING LTD.**



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Project Manager  
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Attachment: Notice of Commencement  
Study Area Map

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August 27, 2007

Chief Gilbert  
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Dear Chief Gilbert:

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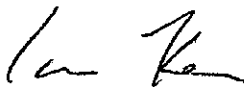
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**When: September 12, 2007**  
**Time: 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.**  
**Where: Comber Community Centre**  
**7100 Community Center St.**  
**Comber, ON**

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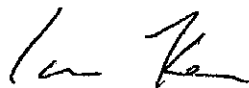
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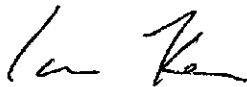
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August 27, 2007

Grand Chief Stonefish  
Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians  
Grand Chief  
2212 Elm Ave.  
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Dear Grand Chief Stonefish:

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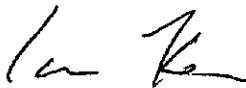
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Ian Kerr  
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**Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians  
Ontario Environmental Assessment Act  
Fax Back Form**

Date: September 6, 2007

Ian Kerr  
(819) 561 7188

Re:

**Notice of Public Open House – Gosfield Comber Wind Energy Project**

We are in receipt of documentation for our review and comment. Please accept this letter as a response to your invitation and not an act of consultation. We cannot and do not consider this response letter to be consultation as we are not mandated to consult on behalf of our member nations. Our involvement as a representative for the First Nations occurs when invited by one of our member First Nations to do so. Consultation should always occur with the First Nation(s) specifically impacted.

As an association, we understand that your role in the environmental assessment process is primarily technical and that our concerns, which are Aboriginal rights, socio-economic and indigenous knowledge-based, are to fit within established scientific, technological and policy frameworks established by the Province of Ontario. We are of the view that this framework is invalid as it has been developed without input or consultation with First Nations.

Our organization receives no federal or provincial funding in helping to facilitate a mutual understanding of environmental concerns between proponents and our member First Nations. Based on this lack of understanding, funding and resources, we are only able to state that we do have member First Nations whose traditional hunting and gathering areas may be affected by this project.

Our organization and Member Nations are usually open to participating in sustainable planning processes. However, the current federal and provincial practices in this policy area are left to the goodwill of proponents, in terms of collaborating with First Nations, and in identifying potential First Nation issues and incorporating these into the overall planning processes.

Aboriginal people are listed as "stakeholders" in environmental assessment processes, however this is only partially correct. First Nations people have collective constitutional rights, including land rights, hunting, gathering and fishing rights. The practice and recognition of these rights in southern and central Ontario is an outstanding issue between the provincial and federal governments and our member Nations. Therefore, in proposed land use situations, First Nations can seek legal remedies before the courts, including legal injunctions and other judicial intervention.

Our comments on documents produced under the current Environmental Assessment Act are as follows:

- It is our experience that when First Nations are approached respectfully and referenced in an appropriate way, that this overall approach tends to lead to more positive dialogue.
- We currently do not have the capacity to address the methodology developed for the site selection

criteria and technological alternatives, at this particular time. The Proponent should use discretion in considering the selection of a site and technology that may interfere with the exercise of First Nations rights, including treaty and rights to access to wild game, water, plants, fish and ceremonial areas etc. Consideration should be put towards treaty boundary lines, real and potential land claims, and First Nations communities in the surrounding area.

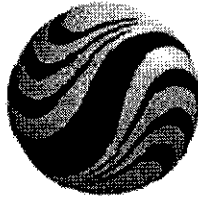
- While the provincial EA legislation and EA practice may put the onus on the Proponent to consult First Nations, federal and provincial Crowns do have a constitutional obligation to uphold the rights of First Nations, and a duty to consult. The provincial and federal governments may not be forthcoming regarding this duty, as this duty currently exists in common law and is not reflected in Ontario EA legislation; which needs to be updated.
- As a safeguard, we suggest that First Nations be directly involved in the development and application of the Terms of Reference to accommodate for any potential First Nation intervention or interests. This approach would be ideal for addressing any First Nation issues that may arise. For example, where there may be archaeological discoveries at a site, First Nations customs vary and the Proponent should be ready to address that situation with the appropriate First Nations, in an innovative or other culturally appropriate manner.
- Based on archeological finds, it may be necessary to consult with other First Nations that have not been presently identified by the Ministry of the Environment or the Ontario Aboriginal Affairs Secretariat. First Nations that currently reside in the Province of Quebec may also have an interest in projects located in Ontario.

We thank you for taking the time to contact our organization and regret that we are not able to provide you with more assistance. If you have further questions or concerns please contact our office by phone (519) 434-2761 or fax (519) 879 1653.

Sincerely,



Adriana Poulette B.A., M.A.  
Senior Policy Analyst and Government Relations Advisor  
The Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians



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**CONTACT RECORD**

**NAME(S):** Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians  
**PROJECT NO.:** 160960113  
**TELEPHONE:** (519)434-2761  
**REPRESENTING:**  
**RE:** Public Open House Reminder  
**DATE/TIME:** Sept 11, 2007  
**RECORDED BY:** M. Kozak

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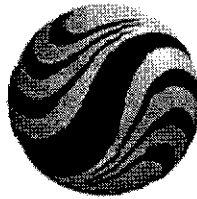
MEETING

**NOTES:**

Provided information regarding the Sept 12 public open house. Provided details of the open house including time and location and call back number if more information was required.

Was advised that it would be unlikely the AIAI would be attending

NO.	FOLLOW-UP TASK	TIMING	BY	DONE



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**CONTACT RECORD**

**NAME(S):** Caldwell First Nation  
Chief Larry Johnson  
**TELEPHONE:** 519-676-5499  
**RE:** Public Open House Reminder

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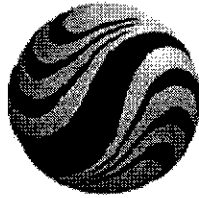
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Left message regarding the Sept 12 public open house. Provided details of the open house including time and location and call back number if more information was required.

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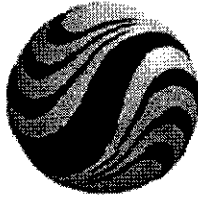
**NAME(S):** Moravian of theThames **PROJECT NO.:** 160960113  
**TELEPHONE:** (519) 692-3936 **REPRESENTING:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**RE:** Public Open House Reminder **DATE/TIME:** Sept 11, 2007  
**RECORDED BY:** M. Kozak

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**NOTES:**

Left message with assistant regarding the Sept 12 public open house. Provided details of the open house including time and location and call back number if more information was required.

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**CONTACT RECORD**

**NAME(S):** Walpole Island First Nation      **PROJECT NO.:** 160960113  
**TELEPHONE:** 519-627-1481      **REPRESENTING:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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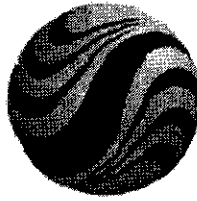
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**MEETING**

**NOTES:**

Spoke with the Chief's assistant regarding the Sept 12 public open house. Provided details of the open house including time and location.

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**PROJECT NO.:** 160960113  
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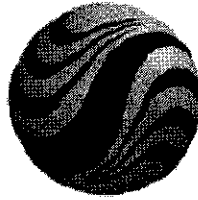
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MEETING

**NOTES:**

Left a message to notify that the Caldwell First Nation that a copy of the Draft ESR will be sent out later this week for review and comment.

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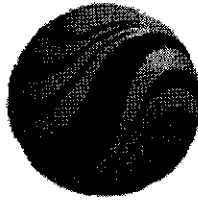
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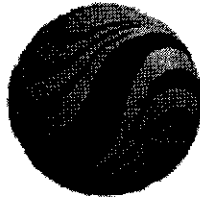
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Lee White **REPRESENTING:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**TELEPHONE:** 519-627-1481 **DATE/TIME:** Nov 27, 2007  
**RE:** Comments on draft ESR **RECORDED BY:** M. Kozak

**CALL RECEIVED**

**CALL PLACED**

**MEETING**

### NOTES:

- Spoke with Lee White regarding the draft ESR and whether we would be receiving comments from the WIFN.
- Lee White instructed that the copy of the ESR was sent to the WIFN Heritage Centre who would not be commenting on the draft ESR
- Lee White requested that we send a hard copy version of the draft ESR for his records.
- We confirmed that a copy would be sent by the end of the week.

NO.	FOLLOW-UP TASK	TIMING	BY	DONE