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RE: Review and Acceptance into the Provincial Register of Reports: Archaeological Assessment Report Entitled, "Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment, Air Energy TCI Adelaide Wind Farm, Various Lots, Concession 1 to 5 N.E.R. and 1 to 4 S.E.R., Geographic Township of Adelaide, Middlesex County, Ontario", April 2009, Received April 30, 2009, Licence/PIF # P001-422-2008, MCL File 39EA015

Dear Mr. Wilson:

This office has reviewed the above-mentioned report which has been submitted to this Ministry as a condition of licensing in accordance with Part VI of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c 0.18. This review is to ensure that the licensed professional consultant archaeologist has met the terms and conditions of their archaeological licence, that archaeological sites have been identified and documented according to the 1993 technical guidelines set by the Ministry and that the archaeological fieldwork and report recommendations ensure the conservation, protection and preservation of the cultural heritage of Ontario.

As the result of our review, this Ministry accepts the above titled report into the Provincial register of archaeological reports. The report indicates that the subject property displays archaeological potential and, therefore, areas to be impacted should be subject to a Stage 2 archaeological assessment. This Ministry concurs with this recommendation.

Should you require any further information regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

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RE: Entry into the Ontario Public Register of Reports, Archaeological Assessment Report Entitled, "Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment, NextEra Adelaide Wind Energy Centre, Various Lots, Concessions 1 to 5 N.E.R. and 1 to 4 S.E.R., Geographic Township of Adelaide, Middlesex County, Ontario", February 21, 2012, Revised April 10, 2012, Received by MTCS Toronto Office on April 20, 2012, MTCS Project Information Form Number P218-096-2011 and P319-015-2012, FIT-FZEYONB, MTCS RIMS **Number 39EA015**

Dear Dr. Martin and Ms. Jurakic;

This office has reviewed the above-mentioned report, which has been submitted to this Ministry as a condition of licensing in accordance with Part VI of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c 0.18. This review has been carried out in order to determine whether the licensed professional consultant archaeologist has met the terms and conditions of their licence, that the licensee assessed the property and documented archaeological resources using a process that accords with the 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists set by the Ministry, and that the archaeological fieldwork and report recommendations are consistent with the conservation, protection and preservation of the cultural heritage of Ontario*.

The report documents the assessment of the project location as depicted in Figures 4-01 to 4-20 in the above titled report and recommends the following:

The Stage 2 assessment of the revised NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre layout resulted in the identification of 15 archaeological sites, including eight pre-contact Aboriginal and seven historic Euro-Canadian. Recommendations for each location are found below.

Location 14 (AgHj-10)

Given that the Stage 2 assessment of Location 14 (AgHj-10) resulted in the recovery of a spatially discrete Early Archaic projectile point, it is recommended that a Stage 3 archaeological assessment be conducted in advance of any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Since this is an Early Archaic site, at least 20% of the total number of units excavated should be screened through mesh with an aperture of no greater than three millimetres. The already existing program of Aboriginal engagement should be continued during the Stage 3 archaeological assessment.

Location 15

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 15 resulted in the recovery of a pre-contact Aboriginal end scraper. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 15.

Location 16

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 16 resulted in the recovery of a single pre-contact Aboriginal utilized flake. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 16.

Location 17

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 17 resulted in the recovery of a small assemblage of late 19th to early 20th century domestic glass debris. Artifacts observed in the scatter included eight fragments of modern terra cotta pot. Given the nature and small size of the artifact assemblage observed, that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 17.

Location 18

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 18 resulted in the recovery of five pieces of pre-contact Aboriginal chipping detritus. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 18.

Location 19 (AeHk-42)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 19 revealed a spatially discrete cluster of 25 mid-19th century historic Euro-Canadian artifacts, 14 of which were collected for further analysis. Domestic artifacts were the most plentiful including ceramics and glass (n=13 or 92.86% of the total artifact assemblage). The most common types of ceramic artifacts recovered from Location 19 were mid-19th century whitewares (n=7 or 87.50%) and a fragment of aqua bottle glass with a diagnostic open pontil base dating it to prior to 1870. Given the presence of mid-19th century material and the presence of a house and orchard indicated on the historic mapping, it is recommended that Location 19 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 19 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Location 20 (AgHk-121)

The 15 artifacts collected from the observed scatter of 45 artifacts during the Stage 2 assessment of Location 20 represent predominantly late 19th and early 20th century Euro-Canadian debris, mostly fragile domestic items such as ceramics and glass which represent the remains of a small 20th century domestic midden. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 20.

Location 21

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 21 resulted in the recovery of a single pre-contact Aboriginal retouched flake. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 21.

Location 22

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 22 revealed a spatially discrete cluster of over 300 mid-to-late 19th century Euro-Canadian artifacts including ceramics and bottle glass, as well as personal items such as white clay pipe and agate buttons and structural remains. The most common ceramic type collected from Location 22 was mid-to-late 19th century ironstone along with a comparable collection of mid-19th century whiteware and a small assemblage of early 19th century pearlware. Three diagnostic glass finishes were collected (two dating to the mid-19th century and one indicating late 19th century material) as was black glass (dating prior to the 1860s). Given the presence of mid-to-late 19th century material, the size of the scatter, and the presence of a house and orchard indicated on the historic mapping, **it is recommended that**

Location 22 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 22 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Location 23 (AfHk-33)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 23 (AfHk-33) resulted in the recovery of a pre-contact Aboriginal Middle Archaic projectile point (circa 6000 to 2500 B.C.). Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 23.

Location 24

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 24 revealed a spatially discrete cluster of over 700 mid-to-late 19th century Euro-Canadian cultural material, domestic debris comprising 80.88% of the total artifacts collected. The observed scatter on site included a high percentage of red and yellow brick fragments and other structural remains indicating Location 24 was the site of a demolished residence. Also in the assemblage are smaller assemblages of structural, faunal and personal artifacts. The most common ceramic types collected from Location 24 were mid-to-late 19th century ironstone and mid-19th century whitewares. A small collection of pearlware is also present in the assemblage as is a mid-19th century American Civil War uniform button. Given the presence of 19th century material spanning the century, the overall size of the scatter and the presence of a house and orchard indicated on the historic mapping, it is recommended that Location 24 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 24 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Location 25

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 25 resulted in the recovery of a single pre-contact Aboriginal secondary flake. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 25.

Location 26

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 24 revealed a spatially discrete cluster of 150 Euro-Canadian cultural material spanning the entirety of the 19th century including domestic and personal items. Whiteware dominates the ceramic assemblage with 53.63% and the assemblage includes a smaller assortment of early 19th century material such as pearlware, redware and a single fragment of creamware. Diagnostic glass in the assemblage such as black glass also lends credence to an earlier 19th century occupation of the site. Given the presence of material spanning the 19th century, and the presence of a house and orchard indicated on the historic mapping, it is recommended that Location 26 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 26 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Location 27

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 27 resulted in the recovery of a single pre-contact Aboriginal biface fragment. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 27.

Location 28

The 17 artifacts collected from the observed scatter of 70 artifacts during the Stage 2 assessment of Location 28 represent a range of predominantly mid-to-late 19th century Euro-Canadian domestic debris, including ironstone, whiteware and a small assemblage of utilitarian kitchenwares. Most of the assemblage consists of fragile items such as ceramics, and bottle and window glass.

Given the presence of mid-to-late 19th century Euro-Canadian material culture, it is recommended that Location 28 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site. The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the

controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 28 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Summary

The above recommendations determine that six of the 15 identified sites require further Stage 3 assessment. As such, nine sites are not recommended for further archaeological work. Table 41 provides a breakdown of Golder's recommendations for the NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre:

Location	Borden Number	Affiliation	Stage 3 Recommended?
14	AgHj-10	Pre-contact Aboriginal	Yes
15		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No
16		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No
17		Historic Euro-Canadian	No
18		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No
19	AeHk-42	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes
20	AgHk-121	Historic Euro-Canadian	No
21		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No
22	AgHk-122	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes
23	AfHk-33	Pre-contact Aboriginal	No
24	AgHk-123	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes
25		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No
26	AfHk-34	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes
27		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No
28	AgHk-124	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes

Table 1: Recommendations for Further Stage 3 Assessment

While all of these sites were documented during the Stage 2 archaeological field work conducted within the proposed NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre study area, six require further Stage 3 assessment. The remaining nine have been sufficiently documented.

Based on the information contained in the report, the ministry is satisfied that the fieldwork and reporting for the archaeological assessment is consistent with the ministry's 2011 *Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists* and the terms and conditions for archaeological licences.

This report will be entered into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports. Please note that the ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of reports in the register.

Should you require any further information regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

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Dear Ms. Jurakic:

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The report documents the assessment of the subject property as depicted in Figures 4 of the above titled report and recommends the following:

The Stage 2 archaeological assessment of the Parkhill POI Additional Lands study area resulted in the identification of one site, Location 2, an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal find spot of unknown age, comprising one utilized flake. Due to the paucity of finds from the surface collection at the site, the significance and information potential of this site is judged to be low. The cultural heritage value or interest of this site has been sufficiently documented and no further archaeological assessment is recommended.

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Dear Scott:

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The report documents the assessment of the study area depicted in Figures 5-01 through 5-29, and recommends the following:

5.1 Location 19 (AeHk-42)

Given that the Stage 2 assessment of Location 19 (AeHk-42) was previously recommended for Stage 3 investigation, and that the additional Stage 2 assessment of Location 19 resulted in the recovery of an extension of the site including artifacts dating

to the mid-to-late 19th century as well as pre-contact Aboriginal lithics artifacts, it is recommended that a Stage 3 archaeological assessment be conducted in advance of any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site. The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil. The already existing program of Aboriginal engagement should be continued during the Stage 3 archaeological assessment.

5.2 Location 29 (AfHk-37)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 29 (AfHk-37) resulted in the recovery of an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal Small Point Late Archaic (circa 1500-1400 B.C.) projectile point. Despite the intensified survey, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 29 (AfHk-37).

5.3 Location 30 (AfHk-38)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 30 (AfHk-38) resulted in the recovery of five precontact Aboriginal artifacts, one scraper, two utilized flakes and two pieces of chipping detritus. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 30 (AfHk-38).

5.4 Location 31 (AfHk-35)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 31 (AfHk-35) resulted in the recovery of an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal Small Point Late Archaic (circa 1800/1700-1100 B.C.) projectile point. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 31 (AfHk-35).**

5.5 Location 32 (AgHk-132)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 32 (AgHk-132) revealed a spatially discrete cluster of mid-to-late 19th century historic Euro-Canadian cultural material. The most common type of ceramic artifacts recovered from Location 32 (AgHk-132) was mid-to-late 19th century ironstone and whiteware. Given the number of artifacts and the location of the site in the vicinity of a homestead depicted on the historic map, it is recommended that a Stage 3 archaeological assessment be conducted in advance of any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil.

5.6 Location 33

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 33 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal biface preform. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 33.**

5.7 Location 34

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 34 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal utilized flake. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 34.**

5.8 Location 35

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 35 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal unifacial perforator. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 35.**

5.9 Location 36 (AgHk-133)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 36 (AgHk-133) resulted in the recovery of an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal artifact. The find is an unfinished, stemmed projectile point. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 36 (AgHk-133).

5.10 Location 37

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 37 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal artifact, a piece of chipping detritus. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 37.**

5.11 Location 38

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 38 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal graver. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 38.

5.12 Location 39 (AfHk-36)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 39 (AfHk-36) resulted in the recovery of an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal Narrow Point Late Archaic (circa 3200-2200 B.C.) projectile point. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 39 (AfHk-36).

5.13 Location 40

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 40 resulted in the recovery of one fragment of precontact Aboriginal chipping detritus and one pre-contact Aboriginal retouched flake. Despite the intensified survey, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 40.

5.14 Location 41

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 41 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal groundstone celt. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 41.**

5.15 Location 42 (AgHk-134)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 42 (AgHk-134) revealed a spatially discrete cluster of early-to-late 19th century historic Euro-Canadian cultural material. The most common type of ceramic artifacts recovered from Location 42 (AgHk-134) was mid-to-late 19th century whiteware. Given the number of artifacts and the location of the site in the vicinity of a post office noted on the historic map, it is recommended that a Stage 3 archaeological assessment be conducted in advance of any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil.

5.16 Location 43 (AgHk-135)

Due to the fact that Location 43 (AgHk-135) is a spatially discrete area producing precontact Aboriginal cultural material, it is recommended that this site be subject to a Stage 3 archaeological investigation to further evaluate its cultural heritage value or interest. The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011).

Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil. The already existing program of Aboriginal engagement should be continued during the Stage 3 archaeological assessment of Location 43 (AgHk-135).

5.17 Location 44 (AgHk-136)

Due to the fact that Location 44 (AgHk-136) is a spatially discrete area producing precontact Aboriginal cultural material, including Early Woodland material, it is recommended that this site be subject to a Stage 3 archaeological investigation to further evaluate its cultural heritage value or interest. The Stage 3 assessment

should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil. The already existing program of Aboriginal engagement should be continued during the Stage 3 archaeological assessment of Location 44 (AgHk-136).

5.18 Location 45 (AgHk-137)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 45 (AgHk-137) resulted in the recovery of four precontact Aboriginal artifacts, all chipping detritus manufactured from Kettle Point chert. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 45 (AgHk-137).

5.19 Location 46

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 46 resulted in the recovery of an isolated piece of pre-contact Aboriginal chipping detritus. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 51.**

5.20 Summary

The above recommendations determine that five of the 19 sites discussed require further Stage 3 archaeological assessment. As such, 14 sites are not recommended for further archaeological work. Table 39 provides a breakdown of Golder's recommendations based on the additional Stage 2 archaeological assessment for the NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre:

Table 39: Recommendations for Further Stage 3 Assessment Location Borden Number Affiliation Stage 3 Recommended?

Location	Borden Number	Affiliation	Stage 3 Recommended?
19	AeHk-42	multi-component pre-contact Aboriginal and historic Euro-Canadian	Yes
29	AfHk-37	Small Point Late Archaic	No
30	AfHk-38	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
31	AfHk-35	Small Point Late Archaic	No
32	AgHk-132	pre-contact Aboriginal	Yes
33	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
34	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
35	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
36	AgHk-133	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
37	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
38	AgHj-18	pre-contact Aboriginal	No

39	AfHk-36	Narrow Point Late Archaic	No	
40	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
41	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
42	AgHk-134	historic Euro-Canadian	Yes	
43	AgHk-135	pre-contact Aboriginal	Yes	
44	AgHk-136	Early Woodland	Yes	
45	AgHk-137	pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
46	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No	

While all of these sites were documented during the Stage 2 archaeological field work conducted within the proposed NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre study area, one multi-component site Location 19 (AeHk-42), two historic Euro-Canadian sites, Location 32 (AgHk-132) and Location 42 (AgHk-134), and two precontact Aboriginal sites, Location 43 (AgHk-135) and Location 44 (AgHk-136), require further Stage 3 assessment. The remaining 14 sites have been sufficiently documented.

Based on the information contained in the report, the ministry is satisfied that the fieldwork and reporting for the archaeological assessment is consistent with the ministry's 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists and the terms and conditions for archaeological licences. This report will be entered into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports. Please note that the ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of reports in the register.

Should you require any further information regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

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RE: NextEra Adelaide Wind Energy Centre, Various Lots, Concessions 1 to 5 N.E.R. and 1 to 4 S.E.R., Geographic Township of Adelaide, Middlesex County, Ontario, FIT-FZEYQNB, MTCS RIMS Number 39EA015, MTCS Project Information Form Numbers P001-422-2008, P001-452-2008, P001-526-2009, P084-220-2009, P084-221-2009, P084-198-2010, P084-197-2010, P218-096-2011, P319-015-2011 and P218-277-2012

Dear Proponent:

This letter constitutes the Ministry of Tourism and Culture's written comments as required by s. 22(3)(a) of O. Reg. 359/09 under the *Environmental Protection Act* regarding archaeological assessments undertaken for the above project.

Based on the information contained in the reports you have submitted for this project, the Ministry believes the archaeological assessment complies with the *Ontario Heritage Act's* licensing requirements, including the licence terms and conditions and the Ministry's 1993 Archaeological Assessment Technical Guidelines or the 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (whichever apply). Please note that the Ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of the reports.*

The reports recommends the following:

<u>Stage 1 Report, P001-422-2008, April 2009, Received April 30, 2009, Satisfaction Letter Issued November 12, 2009</u>

Stage 2 archaeological assessment will be required for all areas to be disturbed during turbine or access road construction.

Stage 2 Report, P001-452-2008, P001-526-2009 and P084-197-2010, March 2010, Received April 6, 2010, Revised Pages Received May 6, 2010, Satisfaction Letter Issued May 19, 2010

The Stage 2 assessment resulted in the documentation of 13 archaeological locations. Nine of those locations are pre-contact Aboriginal sites and four are historic Euro-Canadian sites. The following recommendations are made concerning these 13 locations:

Sites recommended for Stage 3 assessment:

- Table 8 lists the pre-contact Aboriginal sites requiring Stage 3 assessment. A total of three of the nine pre-contact Aboriginal archaeological locations recorded are being recommended for further archaeological assessment: Location 2 (AfHk-29), Location 3 (AgHk-66), and Location 7 (AgHj-5).
- Table 9 lists the historic Euro-Canadian sites requiring Stage 3 assessment. A total of three of the four historic Euro-Canadian archaeological locations recorded are being recommended for further archaeological assessment: Location 5 (AgHk-67), Location 9 (AfHk-30), and Location 11 (AgHk-68).

Table 8: Pre-contact Aboriginal Sites Requiring Stage 3 Archaeological Assessment

Site Name	Borden Number	Cultural Affiliation	Date
Location 2	AfHk-29	Middle Woodland	400 B.C 500 A.D.
Location 3	AgHk-66	Small Point Late Archaic	1500 - 1100 B.C.
Location 7	AgHj-5	pre-contact Aboriginal	indeterminate

Table 9: Historic Euro-Canadian Sites Requiring Stage 3 Archaeological Assessment

Site Name	Borden Number	Cultural Affi	iliation	Date		
Location 5	AgHk-67	historic	Euro-	mid-to-late	19 th	century
		Canadian		A.D.		
Location 9	AfHk-30	historic	Euro-	early-to-late	19 th	century
		Canadian		A.D.		
Location 11	AgHk-68	historic	Euro-	mid-to-late	19 th	century
		Canadian		A.D.		

Sites not requiring any further archaeological assessment:

 Table 10 lists the pre-contact Aboriginal sites not requiring Stage 3 assessment. A total of six of the nine pre-contact Aboriginal archaeological locations recorded have been sufficiently documented and require no further archaeological assessment.

Table 10: Sites Not Requiring Stage 3 Archaeological Assessment

Site Name	Borden Number	Cultural Affiliation	Date	
Location 1	none	historic Euro-	late 19 th to 20 th century	
		Canadian	A.D.	
Location 4	none	pre-contact Aboriginal	indeterminate	
Location 6	none	pre-contact Aboriginal	indeterminate	
Location 8	none	pre-contact Aboriginal	indeterminate	
Location 10	none	pre-contact Aboriginal	indeterminate	
Location 12	none	pre-contact Aboriginal	indeterminate	
Location 13	none	pre-contact Aboriginal	indeterminate	

- Additional archaeological assessment is still required; hence the archaeological sites recommended for further archaeological fieldwork remain subject to Section 48(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act and may not be altered, or have artifacts removed, except by a person holding an archaeological licence.
- Should previously undocumented archaeological resources be discovered, they may be a new archaeological site and therefore subject to Section 48(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act. The proponent or person discovering the archaeological resources must cease alteration of the site immediately and engage a licensed consultant archaeologist to carry out archaeological fieldwork, in compliance with sec. 48(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act.
- The Cemeteries Act requires that any person discovering human remains must notify the police or coroner and the Registrar of Cemeteries, Ministry of Consumer Services.

<u>Stage 3 Report, P084-220-2009, P084-221-2009 and P084-198-2010, April 2010, Received May 4, 2010, Satisfaction Letter Issued May 19, 2010</u>

The Stage 3 assessment has been completed for the six documented locations. Three of these sites are Precontact Aboriginal sites and three are historic Euro-Canadian sites. The following recommendations are made concerning these six locations:

 Location 2 (AfHk-29) and Location 3 (AgHk-66) yielded no additional precontact Aboriginal material remains and therefore their cultural heritage value or interest was deemed to be to low and also sufficiently documented. Stage 4 mitigation of these sites is not recommended.

- Location 5 (AgHk-67), Location 9 (AfHk-30) and Location 11 (AgHk-68) yielded mid-to-late 19th and 20th century material culture, but the nature of the assemblages high percentages of breakable domestic items (glass and ceramic) and low percentages of personal and structural items indicate that these sites are isolated mid-to-late 19th century domestic middens and therefore the cultural heritage value or interest of these sites was deemed to be low and also sufficiently documented. Stage 4 archaeological mitigation of these sites is not recommended.
- Location 7 (AgHj-5) yielded pre-contact Aboriginal material remains including a complete biface, 85 fragments of chipping detritus, a utilized flake and faunal remains. Given the number of artifacts recovered, the cultural heritage value or interest of the site was deemed to be high. Stage 4 archaeological mitigation of this site is recommended.

Until the Stage 4 archaeological assessment has been conducted, the site area will be surrounded by snow fence at a 20 metre buffer extending past the limits of the site as delineated by the Stage 3 test units excavated. Until this site has been excavated, all staff related to the Next Era Adelaide Wind Farm project will be instructed to avoid the site area as buffered and marked out. The Stage 4 assessment should consist of the block excavation in one-metre units of the area of greatest artifact densities, followed by shovel shining the site area in order to uncover all subsurface posts or cultural features.

- A partial clearance for the NextEra Adelaide Wind Farm study area is being requested, except for Location 7 (AgHj-5). Additional archaeological assessment is still required at Location 7 (AgHj-5), hence the archaeological site recommended for further archaeological fieldwork remains subject to Section 48(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act and may not be altered, or have artifacts removed, except by a person holding an archaeological licence.
- Should previously undocumented archaeological resources be discovered, they may be a new archaeological site and therefore subject to Section 48(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act. The proponent or person discovering the archaeological resources must cease alteration of the site immediately and engage a licensed consultant archaeologist to carry out archaeological fieldwork, in compliance with sec. 48(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act.
- The Cemeteries Act requires that any person discovering human remains must notify the police or coroner and the Registrar of Cemeteries, Ministry of Consumer Services.

<u>Stage 1-2, P218-096-2011 and P319-015-2011, February 21, 2012, Revised April 10, 2012, Satisfaction Letter Issued April 19, 2012</u>

The Stage 2 assessment of the revised NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre layout resulted in the identification of 15 archaeological sites, including eight pre-contact Aboriginal and seven historic Euro-Canadian. Recommendations for each location are found below.

Location 14 (AgHi-10)

Given that the Stage 2 assessment of Location 14 (AgHj-10) resulted in the recovery of a spatially discrete Early Archaic projectile point, it is recommended that a Stage 3 archaeological assessment be conducted in advance of any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Since this is an Early Archaic site, at least 20% of the total number of units excavated should be screened through mesh with an aperture of no greater than three millimetres. The already existing program of Aboriginal engagement should be continued during the Stage 3 archaeological assessment.

Location 15

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 15 resulted in the recovery of a pre-contact Aboriginal end scraper. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 15.

Location 16

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 16 resulted in the recovery of a single pre-contact Aboriginal utilized flake. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 16.

Location 17

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 17 resulted in the recovery of a small assemblage of late 19th to early 20th century domestic glass debris. Artifacts observed in the scatter included eight fragments of modern terra cotta pot. Given the nature and small size of the artifact assemblage observed, that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 17**.

Location 18

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 18 resulted in the recovery of five pieces of precontact Aboriginal chipping detritus. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 18**.

Location 19 (AeHk-42)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 19 revealed a spatially discrete cluster of 25 mid-19th century historic Euro-Canadian artifacts, 14 of which were collected for further analysis. Domestic artifacts were the most plentiful including ceramics and glass (n=13 or 92.86% of the total artifact assemblage). The most common types of ceramic artifacts recovered from Location 19 were mid-19th century whitewares (n=7 or 87.50%) and a fragment of aqua bottle glass with a diagnostic open pontil base dating it to prior to 1870. Given the presence of mid-19th century material and the presence of a house and orchard indicated on the historic mapping, it is recommended that Location 19 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 19 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Location 20 (AgHk-121)

The 15 artifacts collected from the observed scatter of 45 artifacts during the Stage 2 assessment of Location 20 represent predominantly late 19th and early 20th century Euro-Canadian debris, mostly fragile domestic items such as ceramics and glass which represent the remains of a small 20th century domestic midden. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 20**.

Location 21

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 21 resulted in the recovery of a single pre-contact Aboriginal retouched flake. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 21.

Location 22

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 22 revealed a spatially discrete cluster of over 300 mid-to-late 19th century Euro-Canadian artifacts including ceramics and bottle glass, as well as personal items such as white clay pipe and agate buttons and structural remains. The most common ceramic type collected from Location 22 was mid-to-late 19th century ironstone along with a comparable collection of mid-19th century whiteware and a small assemblage of early 19th century pearlware. Three diagnostic glass finishes were collected (two dating to the mid-19th century and one indicating late 19th century material) as was black glass (dating prior to the 1860s). Given the presence of mid-to-late 19th century material, the size of the scatter, and the presence of a house and orchard indicated on the historic mapping, it is recommended that Location 22 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for

Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 22 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Location 23 (AfHk-33)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 23 (AfHk-33) resulted in the recovery of a precontact Aboriginal Middle Archaic projectile point (circa 6000 to 2500 B.C.). Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 23.

Location 24

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 24 revealed a spatially discrete cluster of over 700 mid-to-late 19th century Euro-Canadian cultural material, domestic debris comprising 80.88% of the total artifacts collected. The observed scatter on site included a high percentage of red and yellow brick fragments and other structural remains indicating Location 24 was the site of a demolished residence. Also in the assemblage are smaller assemblages of structural, faunal and personal artifacts. The most common ceramic types collected from Location 24 were mid-to-late 19th century ironstone and mid-19th century whitewares. A small collection of pearlware is also present in the assemblage as is a mid-19th century American Civil War uniform button. Given the presence of 19th century material spanning the century, the overall size of the scatter and the presence of a house and orchard indicated on the historic mapping, it is recommended that Location 24 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 24 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Location 25

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 25 resulted in the recovery of a single pre-contact Aboriginal secondary flake. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 25.

Location 26

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 24 revealed a spatially discrete cluster of 150 Euro-Canadian cultural material spanning the entirety of the 19th century including domestic and personal items. Whiteware dominates the ceramic assemblage with 53.63% and the assemblage includes a smaller assortment of early 19th century material such as pearlware, redware and a single fragment of creamware. Diagnostic glass in the assemblage such as black glass also lends credence to an earlier 19th century occupation of the site. Given the presence of material spanning the 19th century, and the presence of a house and orchard indicated on the historic mapping, it is recommended that Location 26 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 26 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Location 27

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 27 resulted in the recovery of a single pre-contact Aboriginal biface fragment. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 27.

Location 28

The 17 artifacts collected from the observed scatter of 70 artifacts during the Stage 2 assessment of Location 28 represent a range of predominantly mid-to-late 19th century Euro-Canadian domestic debris, including ironstone, whiteware and a small assemblage of utilitarian kitchenwares. Most of the assemblage consists of fragile items such as ceramics, and bottle and window glass.

Given the presence of mid-to-late 19th century Euro-Canadian material culture, it is recommended that Location 28 be subject to a Stage 3 assessment prior to any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site. The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil. Site specific land registry research to supplement the previous background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 28 should also be conducted as part of the Stage 3 assessment.

Summary

The above recommendations determine that six of the 15 identified sites require further Stage 3 assessment. As such, nine sites are not recommended for further archaeological work. Table 41 provides a breakdown of Golder's recommendations for the NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre:

Location	Borden	Affiliation	Stage	3
	Number		Recommended?	
14	AgHj-10	Pre-contact Aboriginal	Yes	
15		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
16		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
17		Historic Euro-Canadian	No	
18		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
19	AeHk-42	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes	
20	AgHk-121	Historic Euro-Canadian	No	
21		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
22	AgHk-122	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes	
23	AfHk-33	Pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
24	AgHk-123	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes	
25		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
26	AfHk-34	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes	
27		Pre-contact Aboriginal	No	
28	AgHk-124	Historic Euro-Canadian	Yes	

Table 1: Recommendations for Further Stage 3 Assessment

While all of these sites were documented during the Stage 2 archaeological field work conducted within the proposed NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre study area, six require further Stage 3 assessment. The remaining nine have been sufficiently documented.

Stage 2, P218-277-2012, 26 July 2012, Satisfaction Letter Issued 13 August 2012

5.1 Location 19 (AeHk-42)

Given that the Stage 2 assessment of Location 19 (AeHk-42) was previously recommended for Stage 3 investigation, and that the additional Stage 2 assessment of Location 19 resulted in the recovery of an extension of the site including artifacts dating to the mid-to-late 19th century as well as pre-contact Aboriginal lithics artifacts, it is recommended that a Stage 3 archaeological assessment be conducted in advance of any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site. The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil. The already existing program of Aboriginal engagement should be continued during the Stage 3 archaeological assessment.

5.2 Location 29 (AfHk-37)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 29 (AfHk-37) resulted in the recovery of an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal Small Point Late Archaic (circa 1500-1400 B.C.) projectile point. Despite the intensified survey, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 29 (AfHk-37).

5.3 Location 30 (AfHk-38)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 30 (AfHk-38) resulted in the recovery of five precontact Aboriginal artifacts, one scraper, two utilized flakes and two pieces of chipping detritus. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 30 (AfHk-38).

5.4 Location 31 (AfHk-35)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 31 (AfHk-35) resulted in the recovery of an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal Small Point Late Archaic (circa 1800/1700-1100 B.C.) projectile point. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 31 (AfHk-35).**

5.5 Location 32 (AgHk-132)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 32 (AgHk-132) revealed a spatially discrete cluster of mid-to-late 19th century historic Euro-Canadian cultural material. The most common type of ceramic artifacts recovered from Location 32 (AgHk-132) was mid-to-late 19th century ironstone and whiteware. Given the number of artifacts and the location of the site in the vicinity of a homestead depicted on the historic map, it is recommended that a Stage 3 archaeological assessment be conducted in advance of any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil.

5.6 Location 33

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 33 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal biface preform. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 33.**

5.7 Location 34

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 34 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal utilized flake. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 34.**

5.8 Location 35

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 35 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal unifacial perforator. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 35.

5.9 Location 36 (AgHk-133)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 36 (AgHk-133) resulted in the recovery of an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal artifact. The find is an unfinished, stemmed projectile point. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 36 (AgHk-133).

5.10 Location 37

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 37 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal artifact, a piece of chipping detritus. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 37.**

5.11 Location 38

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 38 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal graver. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 38.

5.12 Location 39 (AfHk-36)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 39 (AfHk-36) resulted in the recovery of an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal Narrow Point Late Archaic (circa 3200-2200 B.C.) projectile point. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 39 (AfHk-36).

5.13 Location 40

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 40 resulted in the recovery of one fragment of precontact Aboriginal chipping detritus and one pre-contact Aboriginal retouched flake. Despite the intensified survey, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 40.

5.14 Location 41

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 41 resulted in the recovery of an isolated precontact Aboriginal groundstone celt. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 41.**

5.15 Location 42 (AgHk-134)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 42 (AgHk-134) revealed a spatially discrete cluster of early-to-late 19th century historic Euro-Canadian cultural material. The most common type of ceramic artifacts recovered from Location 42 (AgHk-134) was mid-to-late 19th

century whiteware. Given the number of artifacts and the location of the site in the vicinity of a post office noted on the historic map, it is recommended that a Stage 3 archaeological assessment be conducted in advance of any ground disturbance activities to further test the nature and density of the site.

The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil.

5.16 Location 43 (AgHk-135)

Due to the fact that Location 43 (AgHk-135) is a spatially discrete area producing precontact Aboriginal cultural material, it is recommended that this site be subject to a Stage 3 archaeological investigation to further evaluate its cultural heritage value or interest. The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011).

Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil. The already existing program of Aboriginal engagement should be continued during the Stage 3 archaeological assessment of Location 43 (AgHk-135).

5.17 Location 44 (AgHk-136)

Due to the fact that Location 44 (AgHk-136) is a spatially discrete area producing precontact Aboriginal cultural material, including Early Woodland material, it is recommended that this site be subject to a Stage 3 archaeological investigation to further evaluate its cultural heritage value or interest. The Stage 3 assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Sections 3.2 and 3.3, as well as Table 3.1, of the MTCS's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work, the area should be reploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres into the subsoil. The already existing program of Aboriginal engagement should be continued during the Stage 3 archaeological assessment of Location 44 (AgHk-136).

5.18 Location 45 (AgHk-137)

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 45 (AgHk-137) resulted in the recovery of four precontact Aboriginal artifacts, all chipping detritus manufactured from Kettle Point chert. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 45 (AgHk-137).

5.19 Location 46

The Stage 2 assessment of Location 46 resulted in the recovery of an isolated piece of pre-contact Aboriginal chipping detritus. Despite the intensification of survey intervals, no additional artifacts were recovered. Given that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently documented, **no further archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 51.**

5.20 Summary

The above recommendations determine that five of the 19 sites discussed require further Stage 3 archaeological assessment. As such, 14 sites are not recommended for further archaeological work. Table 39 provides a breakdown of Golder's recommendations based on the additional Stage 2 archaeological assessment for the NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre:

Table 39: Recommendations for Further Stage 3 Assessment Location Borden Number Affiliation Stage 3 Recommended?

Location	Borden Number	Affiliation	Stage 3 Recommended?
19	AeHk-42	multi-component pre-contact Aboriginal and historic Euro-Canadian	Yes
29	AfHk-37	Small Point Late Archaic	No
30	AfHk-38	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
31	AfHk-35	Small Point Late Archaic	No
32	AgHk-132	pre-contact Aboriginal	Yes
33	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
34	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
35	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
36	AgHk-133	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
37	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
38	AgHj-18	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
39	AfHk-36	Narrow Point Late Archaic	No
40	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
41	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
42	AgHk-134	historic Euro-Canadian	Yes
43	AgHk-135	pre-contact Aboriginal	Yes
44	AgHk-136	Early Woodland	Yes
45	AgHk-137	pre-contact Aboriginal	No
46	-	pre-contact Aboriginal	No

While all of these sites were documented during the Stage 2 archaeological field work conducted within the proposed NEEC Adelaide Wind Energy Centre study area, one multi-component site Location 19 (AeHk-42), two historic Euro-Canadian sites, Location 32 (AgHk-132) and Location 42 (AgHk-134), and two precontact Aboriginal sites, Location 43 (AgHk-135) and Location 44 (AgHk-136), require further Stage 3 assessment. The remaining 14 sites have been sufficiently documented.

The Ministry is satisfied with these recommendations.

This letter does not waive any requirements which you may have under the Ontario *Heritage Act*. A separate letter addressing archaeological licensing obligations under the Act will be sent to the archaeologist who completed the assessment and will be copied to you.

This letter does not constitute approval of the renewable energy project. Approvals of the project may be required under other statutes and regulations. It is your responsibility to obtain any necessary approvals or licences.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or require additional information.

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RE: Entry into the Ontario Public Register of Reports, Archaeological Assessment Report Entitled, "Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment, Parkhill Point of Interconnect, Various Lots and Concessions, Geographic Township of East Williams and West Williams now Municipality of North Middlesex, Middlesex County, Ontario", February 7, 2012, Revised April 10, 2012, Received April 11, 2012, MTCS Project Information Form Number P319-018-2012, FIT-F2BNU4R (Bornish); FIT-FZEYQNB (Adelaide); FIT-FRZYKJA (Jericho), MTCS RIMS Number 39EA019

Dear Ms. Jurakic;

This office has reviewed the above-mentioned report, which has been submitted to this Ministry as a condition of licensing in accordance with Part VI of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c 0.18. This review has been carried out in order to determine whether the licensed professional consultant archaeologist has met the terms and conditions of their licence, that the licensee assessed the property and documented archaeological resources using a process that accords with the 2011 *Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists* set by the Ministry, and that the archaeological fieldwork and report recommendations are consistent with the conservation, protection and preservation of the cultural heritage of Ontario*.

The report documents the assessment of the project location as depicted in Figures 6-01 to 6-08 in the above titled report and recommends the following:

The Stage 2 archaeological assessment of the Parkhill POI resulted in the identification of one historic Euro-Canadian site, Location 1 (AgHj-9). Due to the fact that Location 1 (AgHj-9) is a spatially discrete site producing mid-to-late 19th century historic

Euro-Canadian cultural material, it is recommended that it be subject to a Stage 3 archaeological assessment to further evaluate its cultural heritage value or interest. The Stage 3

assessment should employ both the controlled surface pick-up and hand excavated test unit methodology as outlined in Table 3.1 of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Prior to conducting the field work the area should be re-ploughed and allowed to weather for the controlled surface pick-up. The test unit excavation should consist of one metre by one metre square test units laid out in a five metre grid and should be excavated by hand to a depth of five centimetres within the subsoil in order to further determine the presence of buried artifacts, structures, stratigraphy and cultural features, as well as to collect a representative sample of artifacts. Further archival research to supplement the Stage 1 archaeological overview/background study concerning the land use and occupation history specific to Location 1 (AgHj-9) will also be conducted.

Based on the information contained in the report, the ministry is satisfied that the fieldwork and reporting for the archaeological assessment is consistent with the ministry's 2011 *Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists* and the terms and conditions for archaeological licences. This report will be entered into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports. Please note that the ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of reports in the register.

Should you require any further information regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

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The report documents the assessment of the subject property as depicted in Figures 4 of the above titled report and recommends the following:

The Stage 2 archaeological assessment of the Parkhill POI Additional Lands study area resulted in the identification of one site, Location 2, an isolated pre-contact Aboriginal find spot of unknown age, comprising one utilized flake. Due to the paucity of finds from the surface collection at the site, the significance and information potential of this site is judged to be low. The cultural heritage value or interest of this site has been sufficiently documented and no further archaeological assessment is recommended.

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Dear Proponent:

This letter constitutes the Ministry of Tourism and Culture's written comments as required by s. 22(3)(a) of O. Reg. 359/09 under the *Environmental Protection Act* regarding archaeological assessments undertaken for the above project.

Based on the information contained in the reports you have submitted for this project, the Ministry believes the archaeological assessment complies with the *Ontario Heritage Act's* licensing requirements, including the licence terms and conditions and the Ministry's 1993 Archaeological Assessment Technical Guidelines or the 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (whichever apply). Please note that the Ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of the reports.*

The reports recommend the following:

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