



### 5.0 SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A Stage 1 archaeological background study was conducted for a parcel of approximately 8275 hectares in the Township of Adelaide-Metcalfe, Middlesex County, Ontario. The parcel consists of Lots 7 to 19, Concession 1 North of Egremont Road; part of Lot 6 and Lots 7 to 19, Concession 2 North of Egremont Road; Lots 7 to 12, Concessions 3 to 4 North of Egremont Road; part of Lot 7 and Lots 8 to 10, Concession 5 North of Egremont Road; Lots 1 to 19, Concessions 1 to 2 South of Egremont Road; Lots 1 to 18, Concession 3 South of Egremont Road; and Lots 13 to 17, Concession 4 South of Egremont Road. This area will eventually be the site of 40 wind turbines. This Stage 1 archaeological assessment was conducted as part of an Environmental Assessment for Electricity Projects coordinated by Golder Associates Limited, Mississauga office.

The objective of the Stage 1 assessment was to compile all available information about the known and potential cultural heritage resources within the study area and to provide specific direction for the protection, management and/or recovery of these resources, consistent with Ministry of Culture guidelines (Government of Ontario 1993).

Archaeological potential criteria commonly used by the Ontario Ministry of Culture were applied to determine areas of archaeological potential within the study area. The archaeological potential for pre-contact Aboriginal and Euro-Canadian sites was deemed to be moderate to high on these properties. For pre-contact Aboriginal sites this determination is made on account of the presence of nearby water sources, level topography, and suitable soils for pre-contact agricultural practices. The historic Euro-Canadian potential was on account of documentation indicating early 19th century occupation, abandoned villages, plus the continued existence of historic transportation routes such as Egremont Road. As a result, Stage 2 archaeological assessment will be required for all areas to be disturbed during turbine or access road construction (Figure 27).

As further archaeological assessment is recommended, the Ontario Ministry of Culture is asked to review the results in this report and issue a letter of concurrence with the findings herein. A letter of clearance is not requested at this time.

Should deeply buried archaeological material be found during construction activities, the Ministry of Culture should be notified immediately (416) 314-7174. In the event that human remains are encountered during construction, the proponent should immediately contact both the Ministry of Culture and the Registrar or Deputy Registrar of the Cemeteries Regulation Unit of the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations, (416) 326-8404.



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