

June 13, 2012

Chief Alfred Day Oneida Council of Chiefs 1086 River Road Southwold, Ontario NOL 2G0

Dear Chief Alfred Day:

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Chief Scott Lee Chippewas of Nawash Unceeded First Nation 135 Lakeshore Boulevard R. R. #5 Wiarton, ON NOH 2TO

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Chief William K. Montour Six Nations of the Grand River 1695 Chiefswood Road PO Box 5000 Ohsweken, ON NOA 1M0

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## **Appendixes**

# Appendix I.3 October 29, 2012 cover letters regarding January 15, 2013 Public Meetings #3 and enclosing draft Project REA Table 1 Reports



October 26, 2012

Chief A. MacNaughton
Six Nations Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council
(Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council)
R.R. #2
Ohsweken, ON
NOA 1M0

Dear Chief A. MacNaughton:

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Yours very truly,

Thomas Bird,

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Cc. Leroy Hill, Secretary, Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council Hazel Hill, Interim Director, Haudenosaunee Development Institute

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Chair, Georgian Bay Traditional Harvest Territory Consultation Committee and Regional Councillor Region 7
% 500 Old St. Patrick Street
Ottawa, Ontario
K1N 9G4

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October 29, 2012

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Chippewas of Nawash Unceeded First Nation
135 Lakeshore Boulevard
R. R. #5
Wiarton, ON
NOH 2T0

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Chief A. MacNaughton Six Nations Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council (Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council) R.R. #2 Ohsweken, ON NOA 1M0

Dear Chief MacNaughton:

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Hazel Hill, Interim Director, Haudenosaunee Development Institute

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Archie Indoe President Historic Saugeen Métis 204 High Street, Box 1492 Southampton, Ontario NOH 2L0

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Patsy L. McArthur, Secretary-Treasurer

Audrey Erin Holden, Lands and Resources Consultation Coordinator

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Peter Couture President, Great Lakes Métis Council 380 9th Street East Owen Sound, Ontario N4K 1P1

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Pauline Saulnier
Chair, Georgian Bay Traditional Harvest Territory Consultation Committee and Regional Councillor,
Region 7
% 500 Old St. Patrick Street
Ottawa, Ontario
K1N 9G4

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Chippewas of Saugeen First Nation
6493 Highway 21
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NOH 210

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