

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS EA APPENDICIES



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APPENDIX A PROJECT AGREEMENTS

A1 - DALHOUSIE NSPI INTERCONNECTION

April 17, 2007

RMS Energy Ltd
Mr. Reuben Burge
RR#3, Westville
Nova Scotia
B0K 2A0

Dear Mr. Burge:

Re: Dalhousie Mountain 50MW Feasibility Study Agreement


Please find enclosed a Feasibility Study Agreement for your **Dalhousie Mountain 50MW** Interconnection Request ID#84 dated December 22, 2006. Two copies of the Agreement have been signed by NSPI.

NSPI's typical cost for conducting a Feasibility Study is \$4000. The Interconnection Customer must execute both copies of the Agreement and return one to me at the below address:

Nova Scotia Power
5 Long Lake Drive
Ragged Lake Industrial Park
Halifax, NS B3S 1N8

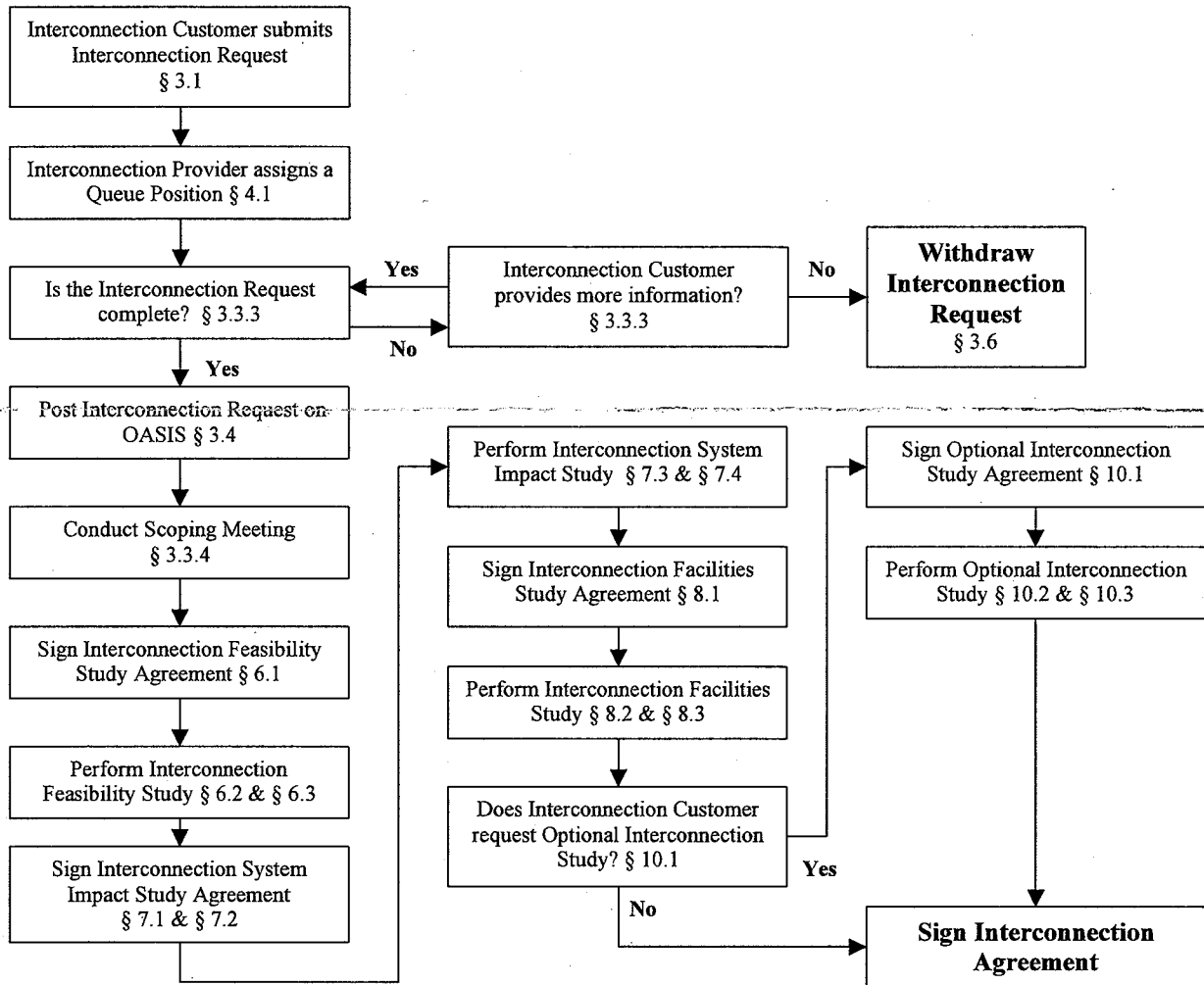
NSPI must receive the signed copy of the Agreement within 30 Calendar Days from the date of receipt by the Interconnection Customer. Further information about the Feasibility Study can be found in section 6 of the Generator Interconnection Procedures.

Regards,


Ryan Boudreau, P.Eng
Interconnection Engineer

cc: File
Attachments:
Appendix 7 of GIP: GIP Flowchart
Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement (2)

**APPENDIX 7
GIP FLOWCHART**



Appendix 2 to GIP

INTERCONNECTION FEASIBILITY STUDY AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 12 day of Apr, 2007 by and between Rotor Mechanical Services Energy Limited, a company organized and existing under the laws of the Province of Nova Scotia, ("Interconnection Customer,") and Nova Scotia Power Incorporated, a company existing under the laws of the Province of Nova Scotia, ("Transmission Provider"). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be referred to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Generating Facility or generating capacity addition to an existing Generating Facility consistent with the Interconnection Request submitted by the Interconnection Customer dated December 22, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Generating Facility with the Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer has requested the Transmission Provider to perform an Interconnection Feasibility Study to assess the feasibility of interconnecting the proposed Generating Facility to the Transmission System, and of any Affected Systems;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agree as follows:

- 1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in the Transmission Provider's Generating Interconnection Procedure approved by the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board (the "GIP").

- 2.0 Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause to be performed an Interconnection Feasibility Study consistent with Section 6.0 of the GIP.
- 3.0 The scope of the Interconnection Feasibility Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Attachment A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 The Interconnection Feasibility Study shall be based on the technical information provided by Interconnection Customer in the Interconnection Request, and may be modified as the result of the Scoping Meeting. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the Interconnection Feasibility Study and as designated in accordance with Section 3.3.4 of the GIP. If, after the designation of the Point of Interconnection pursuant to Section 3.3.4 of the GIP, Interconnection Customer modifies its Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 4.4, the time to complete the Interconnection Feasibility Study may be extended.
- 5.0 The Interconnection Feasibility Study report shall provide the following information:
- preliminary identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
 - preliminary identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection; and
 - preliminary description and non-bonding estimated cost of facilities required to interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission System and to address the identified short circuit and power flow issues.

- 6.0 The Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of \$10,000 for the performance of the Interconnection Feasibility Study

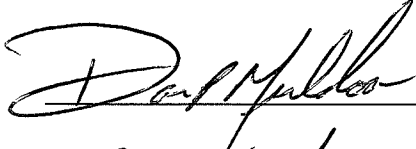
Upon receipt of the Interconnection Feasibility Study the Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Interconnection Feasibility Study. Any difference between the deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to the Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

- 7.0 Miscellaneous. The Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement shall incorporate by reference the following Articles of the Standard Generator Interconnection and Operating Agreement: 15.1, 15.2, 15.3, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28 and 30.

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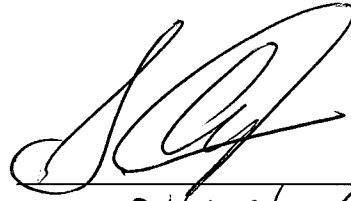
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

Nova Scotia Power Incorporated

By: 

Title: General Manager, COA

Date: April 12/07

By: 

Title: STEPHEN AFTANAS
Associate General Counsel

Date: April 10, 2007

Rotor Mechanical Services Energy Limited

By: REUBEN BURGE 

Title: PRESIDENT

Date: April 23 2007

**Attachment A to
Interconnection Feasibility
Study Agreement**

**ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE
INTERCONNECTION FEASIBILITY STUDY**

The Interconnection Feasibility Study will be based upon the information set forth in the Interconnection Request:

Point of Interconnection and configuration to be studied:

50 MW wind farm to be connected to the 230kV Line L-7004 at a point near 45 31' 25", 62 56' 21", Pictou county.

transformer configuration: not specified

number and type of turbines: Not specified

Designation of alternative Point(s) of Interconnection and configuration:

Not specified.

ID #	Request Date	County	MW Summer	MW Winter	Interconnection Point Requested	Type	Inserv date YY/MM/DD	Status	Service Type	Studies Available
80	15-Sep-06	Cumberland	30	30	L-5550	WIND	Oct 31, 2008	Feasibility Study In Progress	NRIS	
81	15-Sep-06	Shelburne	50	50	L-5027	WIND	Oct 31, 2008	Feasibility Study In Progress	NRIS	
82	15-Nov-06	Colchester	45	45	L-5040	wind	Dec 1, 2009	Feasibility Study In Progress	ERIS	
83	22-Nov-06	Shelburne	150	150	L-6021	Wind	Dec 31, 2009	Feasibility Study In Progress	NRIS	
84	22-Dec-06	Pictou	50	50	L-7004	wind	Dec 2008	Feasibility Study In Progress	ERIS	
85	09-Jan-07	Pictou	50	50	L-6511	wind	Jan 1, 2009	Feasibility Study In Progress	NRIS	
86	09-Jan-07	Pictou	50	50	L-7003	wind	Jan 1, 2009	Feasibility Study In Progress	NRIS	
100	16-Feb-07	Yarmouth	52	52	New 69kV Line	wind	Sep 30, 2009	Feasibility Study In Progress	NRIS	
114	23-Mar-07	Pictou	60	60	L-6511	wind	Nov 30, 2009	Feasibility Study In Progress	NRIS	
115	23-Mar-07	Pictou	120	120	L-7003	wind	Nov 30, 2009	Feasibility Study In Progress	NRIS	
117	13-Apr-07	Shelburne	10	10	L-5027	wind	September 1, 2009	Interconnection Request Valid	ERIS	
126	16-Apr-07	Cumberland	70	70	L-6513	wind	Dec 31, 2009	Interconnection Request Valid	ERIS	
128	17-Apr-07	Cumberland	40.5	40.5	L-6536	wind	November 20, 2009	Interconnection Request Valid	ERIS	
130	17-Apr-07	Cape Breton	200	200	L-6516	wind/water pumped	December 31, 2009	Interconnection Request Valid	NRIS	

RMS Energy Ltd

A2 NSPI LETTER

A4- ECOENERGY NPA DALHOUSIE



December 11, 2007

Registration # **5911-R8-1**

Mr. Reuben Burge
President
RMSenergy - Rotor Mechanical - Rotor Machines
796 Dan Fraser Road
Westville, NS
B0K 2A0

Dear Mr. Burge:

We are writing to confirm that your Notice of Project Application (NPA) for the Dalhousie Mountain Wind Farm project project has met the basic eligibility criteria under the ecoENERGY for Renewable Power program.

Please note should this project be eligible for the ecoENERGY for Renewable Power program incentive, the incentive will be paid on the production of the Project up to a capacity factor of 35% as indicated on page 9 of the ERP program's Terms and Conditions. Thus, we will consider the incentive for a maximum production of 156.37 GWh/year.

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) has assigned a registration number for your project, which can be found at the top right-hand corner of this letter. This number should be used in all future correspondence with NRCan concerning this project.

As indicated in the terms and conditions of the program and on the NPA, NRCan will now post some project information on the Government of Canada's ecoACTION website at www.ecoACTION.gc.ca.

The project description submitted in section "L" of the NPA will be used to determine if the project must undergo an environmental evaluation under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*. It must contain sufficient information to make this determination. If required, a program environmental officer will contact you to seek additional information on your project before beginning the federal environmental evaluation process.

Please note that your project will become eligible for an incentive only when a contribution agreement has been signed by both parties.

If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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

Denis Bergeron
Program Officer
ecoENERGY for Renewable Power program
615 Booth St., 1st Floor, Room 160
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0E9
ecoenergyrp@nrcan.gc.ca
1-877-722-6600 - telephone
613-995-8343 - fax

Attachments: (5)

A7- G.E. 1.5 MW TURBINE SUPPLY LETTER



John Welch – Sales Manager
Power Generation

Date: Tuesday, November 13, 2007

To: RMSenergy Ltd.
RR3 Westville, B0K 2A0
Nova Scotia, Canada

Attention: Reuben Burge

Subject: Firm Quotation for Dalhousie Wind Project – Nova Scotia 2009 1.5 sle WTG

References: OID – 702486

Dear Reuben

The undersigned, on behalf of the consortium of General Electric Company and General Electric Canada (herein "GE Energy"), is pleased to submit to RMSenergy Ltd our **FIRM** proposal number OID - 702486 (herein the "Firm Proposal"), regarding the supply of Wind Turbine Generators (WTG) as described in Item 1 below and related services (herein the "Services") for your 2009 Dalhousie 51 MW Wind Project.

GE Energy is one of the world's leading wind turbine manufacturers. With design and manufacturing facilities located in the U.S. and Europe, we offer variable speed wind turbine technology ranging from 1.5 MW to 3.6 MW. We also provide a full array of professional wind power capabilities including project design and layout, project management as well as operation and maintenance services.

1. Scope of Supply and Price

1.1 WTG Equipment

- All prices are in USD and are valid only for the delivery period specified herein
- **Thirty-four (34)** GE Energy Model 1.5sle-60Hz WTG packages with features and options more fully described in Attachment 1 "Scope of Supply and Options" of this Firm Proposal
- For Shipments from October 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009, the **Firm price** including ZVRT, Wind SCADA, 1.5sle turbine training for two people and one met mast SCADA package but not

General Electric Canada
100 Woodville Blvd
Mississauga, ON, L5N 5P9

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Call: 1-800-296-XXXX
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email: john.welch@ge.com
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**APPENDIX B STAKEHOLDER AND PUBLIC
MEETINGS**

B 1 - STAKEHOLDER AND MUNICIPAL SUPPORT

Reuben Burge
Rotor Mechanical Services Ltd
902 - 771 - 0322

February 07, 2006

Municipality of Pictou County
28 Willow St. Pictou
902 - 485 - 4311

Dear Counselors,

Please accept this letter as a request to approve the project which Rotor Mechanical Services Ltd. has proposed as a wind farm in Pictou County. Many local landowners and businesses have been considered and are in favor of being involved in further development.

I have four reputable developers who wish to financially support this project in three stages:

1. 1.5 million in exploration phase
2. 27 to 60 million in project construction
3. 33 to 140 million in turbine generators and utility lines

In order for a developer to risk this kind of investment we should have a set of guidelines to work by to prevent: air turbulence interference; rock blasting; audible sound levels; The installation of a wind turbine in an unsuitable area; etc.

These guidelines proposed have been drafted from various municipalities and Nova Scotia crown land wind turbine lease policy as well as the Canadian Wind Energy Association guide.

This set of guidelines will accomplish as follows:

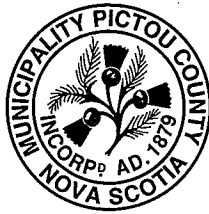
1. They will allow Pictou County to compete in a market with Ontario, Quebec, Newfoundland & Prince Edward Island.
2. They will take advantage of farm and forest land without affecting shoreline or sensitive wildlife areas
3. They will provide a set of regulations for a developer to look into Pictou County as a secure investment.
4. They will provide the building blocks to be laid without rushing through the important exploratory stages, environmental stage and wind monitoring stage.

The Cobequid Mountains in Pictou County have the highest winds in Mainland Nova Scotia. I know this can work at some scale but I need the support of the community and the council members to make this work on a large scale for the county, local landowners and businesses.

Best regards,

Reuben Burge

Administration/C.A.O.
Administration Building
28 Willow St., Pictou
Phone: (902) 485-4311
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By-Law Enforcement: (902) 485-8640
GIS/Civic Addressing: (902) 485-1201
Public Works: (902) 485-4085
Recreation: (902) 485-8528
Fax: (902) 485-8839

Municipality of Pictou County

P.O. BOX 910, PICTOU, N.S.
B0K 1H0
All Offices: (902) 752-1530

April 20, 2006

COPY

Mr. Cliff Huskilson, C.E.O.
Nova Scotia Power Inc.
P. O. Box 910
Halifax, N. S.
B3J 2W5

Dear Mr. Huskilson:

Pictonians were very pleased to read in our local provincial paper that Nova Scotia Power Inc. wants to quadruple its production of wind generation power reported by your Utility's Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Ralph Tedesco. All Nova Scotians agree renewable energy sources are the way to go to provide our energy in the future.

The Municipality of the County of Pictou is very interested in wind energy and we believe the Mount Thom area of Pictou County is one, if not the best, area to develop a wind farm. Our Municipality has watched with interest development that has occurred across the Province with the installation of wind turbines and the concern of property owners with noise and bird migration, etc., and we feel strongly that the Mount Thom area is an ideal site for wind turbines, with very few properties in the proposed site. Having said that, our Municipality is in the process of developing a Municipal Planning Strategy that will deal with all aspects of environmental concern.

In closing, we support all efforts by Nova Scotia Power Inc. and private operators to establish a wind farm in Pictou County.

Yours truly,

Allister MacDonald
Warden

/cm
p.c. Reuben Burge
Rotor Mechanical Services Ltd.



**PICTOU
COUNTY
DISTRICT
PLANNING
COMMISSION**

P.O. BOX 2500
STELLARTON
NOVA SCOTIA
B0K 1S0

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FAX: (902) 752-8960

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

April 19, 2006

Reuben Burge
Rotor Mechanical Services Ltd.
PO Box 832
Westville, NS
B0K 2A0

Dear Mr. Burge

Re: Pictou County Wind Energy Project

This is to confirm our support of your initiatives to develop your wind turbine and the proposed wind turbine farm in Pictou County.

Pictou County has emerging opportunities for at least four alternative types of energy production and wind power is one of them. As you know over the past number of months we have assisted you in your endeavour to review policies and requirements for your proposal in Pictou County and have also discussed your proposal with the Municipality of Pictou County.

If there is any way that we can continue to assist you with this project, please contact us. We look forward to the success of your proposal that will be a benefit to Pictou County and to Nova Scotia in general.

Yours truly,

Vernon Parker
Executive Director



HOUSE OF COMMONS / CHAMBRE DES COMMUNES
CANADA

Peter G. MacKay

Member of Parliament / Député Central Nova
Deputy Leader of the Conservative Party of Canada
Chef suppléant du Parti conservateur du Canada

DEC 7 2005

Mr. Reuben Burge

RR#3

Westville, NS

B0K 2A0

Dear Mr. Burge:

Thank you for the recent tour of your wind power turbine. It is certainly a very interesting initiative and I commend you on your efforts.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Conservative Party of Canada's Policy Declaration for your information. Regarding the new Conservative Party of Canada's Environment policy, you may wish to view Mr. Bob Mill, Opposition Environment Critic's, presentation at www.bobmillsmc.com. The Conservative Party of Canada are enthusiastic about alternate energy and I fully support your project.

Regarding the issue of property and business occupancy taxes, I have taken the liberty of forwarding your concerns and comments along to the provincial minister of . I will be in touch once again with his reply.

Again I thank you very much for contacting my office and allowing me to visit your turbine. Seasons Greetings.

Yours truly,

Peter MacKay, MP
Central Nova
PMack/klf

February 15, 2007

Lisa Fulton
Fulton Energy Research
796 Dan Fraser Road
RR 3 Westville, NS
B0K 2A0

Dear Ms. Fulton:

**RE: Environmental Screening 07-01-25b
Dalhousie Mountain Wind Development**

Further to your request of January 25, 2007, staff of the Heritage Division have reviewed their files for reference to the presence of heritage resources in the study area. Please be aware that our information is not comprehensive, in that it is incomplete and of varying degrees of accuracy with respect to the precise location and condition of heritage resources.

It should be noted that the amount and degree of disturbance from previous developments could have a significant role in establishing the presence, absence or condition of heritage resources in this area. Also, because the map included both terrestrial and aquatic environs, both were addressed in this response.

Archaeological and Historical Sites and Remains

Archaeology staff have reviewed their records and make the following observations:

There is one known archaeological find within or very near edge of the northeastern portion study area. This is a Late Archaic projectile point (BjCr-01) found in a dis-used quarry by the headwaters of Six Mile brook on the northeastern slope of Dalhousie Mountain. Moderate to high potential exists that other sites may be located in the vicinity of this find.

High potential exists for settlement related sites, particularly dating the 19th century or later, along historic roadways with the study area.

We would recommend that any archaeologically sensitive areas that could be impacted be assessed by a professional archaeologist prior to development.

Lisa Fulton
February 15, 2007
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Natural Heritage

The staff of the Nova Scotia Museum Collections Unit (Natural History) have reviewed their records and make the following observations:

Zoology

We do not have any records or specimens from the footprint shown in the submitted mapping, but we do have records of species of concern in nearby areas. These are noted, below.

Nesting records for the following bird species:

Bobolink *Dolichonyx oryzivorus* - Yellow
Eastern Kingbird *Tyrannus tyrannus*
Osprey *Pandion haliaetus* - Provincial bird
Common Loon *Gavia immer* - Yellow.

Although we do not have any records of suitable habitat in the area, we do note that all bat species in the Province have elevated conservation status. If there are any hibernacula in the area, specifically caves or non-flooded mines, then the following species may be of concern during the fall, swarming, period.

Little brown bat *Myotis lucifugus*
Northern long-eared bat *Myotis septentrionalis*
Pipistrelle *Pipistrellus subflavus*

If appropriate habitat (sphagnum bog) is available, there may be Four-toed salamanders *Hemidactylium scutatum* within the study area. As well, in neutral or alkaline waters, the possibility exists for Wood turtles *Glyptemys insculpta* to be found there. There are records within 30 km of the site.

We also note that the Dragonfly and Damselfly faunas are poorly represented within the NSM collections., and we have very little information for these two counties. As such, we do note that there are several species of both groups that have heightened conservation status. We refer the proponent to the NSDNR site <http://www.gov.ns.ca/natr/wildlife/genstatus/> for the current listing, and suggest that if there is appropriate habitat within the area that it be surveyed for the noted species.

Botany

I have reviewed the proposed area with respect to plant species at risk. The following plants are known from the vicinity of Marshy Hope and should be considered prior to any development of turbine site or access roads.

Bidens connata - Yellow
Bidens hyperborea - Yellow
Botrychium lanceolatum var. *anugustisegmentum* - Yellow

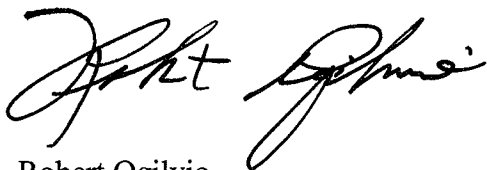
Lisa Fulton
February 15, 2007
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Caltha palustris - Yellow
Campanula aparinoides - Yellow
Carex alopecoidea - Red
Eleocharis olivacea - Yellow
Erigeron hyssopifolius - Yellow
Floerkea proserpinacoides - Yellow
Fraxinus nigra - Yellow
Lilium canadense - Yellow
Samolus valerandi ssp. *parviflorus* - Yellow
Triosteum aurantiacum - Yellow

The presence/absence of the above species can be determined through a survey by a qualified botanist at a time when identification is certain.

I have attached an invoice for the staff time spent reviewing our records and compiling this response. If you have any questions, please contact me at 424-6475.

Sincerely,

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Robert Ogilvie
Manager, Special Places

Enclosure



HOUSE OF COMMONS
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Central Nova
Deputy Leader of the Conservative Party of Canada
Chef suppléant du Parti conservateur du Canada

JAN 18 2006

Mr. Reuben Burge
RR#3
Westville, Nova Scotia
B0K 2A0

Dear Mr. Burge:

I am writing to update you on recent correspondence received from the Hon. Barry Bernet regarding the issue of property/business taxation on the province of Nova Scotia.

Minister Bernet had indicated that the province is reviewing a report by the Canadian Wind Energy Association on practices in Canada. Also that in the province of Nova Scotia, property taxation is solely the tax base for the municipalities unlike other provinces wherein there exist provincial property taxes.

I understand that you were at the office and wish to discuss the matter of taxation and wind power incentives in depth. My office will certainly contact you in the near future to make arrangements. Again, I certainly appreciate you taking the time to allow me to visit your wind farm as well as allowing me to promote it on my website.

Yours truly,

Peter MacKay, MP
PMack/klf
Enc.

I will be glad to meet with you again when the "dust settles".

Cheers,



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March 30, 2006

Rotor Mechanical Services Ltd.
RR# 3
Westville, NS
B0K 2A0

Dear Reuben:

RE: Wind Energy Development

I am writing in support of the Rotor Mechanical Services Wind Energy Development proposal.

This local company has identified the opportunities for wind energy development within Pictou County. This is a strategic direction identified in a number of the municipal strategic plans as the county begins to look at the renewable energy sources potentially available with Pictou County. A project like this offers many benefits to the local community and provides economic opportunities and spin-offs throughout of Pictou County. The wind energy project will have a goal of significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions and supports the province goals of sustainable energy sources.

Alternative energy sources fit in well with our mandate of community development and we will continue to be a partner in supporting this initiative as it moves forward.

If you require any additional details, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Lisa MacDonald
Executive Director



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House of Assembly
Nova Scotia

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January 6, 2006,

Mr. Reuben Burge,
Rotor Mechanical Services Ltd.,
RR #3 Westville, N. S. B0K 2A0

Dear Mr. Burge,

I appreciate our meeting on January 4th and for bringing me up to date on your wind power project in western Pictou County. Obviously you have done your research, including environmental assessments and have had contact with numerous regulatory agencies. It is also noteworthy that you are getting input from local landowners and businesses in the defined area.

As this is a multi-million dollar project, the impact on our local economy can be substantial. Construction jobs, ongoing maintenance, buying from local suppliers, landowner leases and municipal taxes will all benefit Pictou County.

The availability of green power from renewable sources is a goal fully supported by the Nova Scotia New Democratic Party. We believe that the minimum target for wind power generation in the next few years is 20% of the province's energy needs. As a Province, we should be doing everything we can do to achieve and exceed that goal.

Your company is taking a leading role in the alternative energy field. It is encouraging to see the tremendous amount of work you have already undertaken and the enthusiasm you have to partner with others to see this business come to reality.

I fully support the project you are undertaking and wish you every success in reaching your goal. If there is any assistance I can offer as the local provincial representative, please contact me.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charlie Parker".

Charlie Parker, MLA
Pictou West



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and Municipal Relations
Office of the Minister

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Our File Number:

JAN 12 2006

Peter MacKay, MP
Central Nova
980 River Rd
New Glasgow, NS B2H 3S8

Dear Mr. MacKay:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 7, 2005 in which you passed along Mr. Burge's concerns with the tax environment for wind power turbines in Nova Scotia. The issue of tax incentives is, as you are aware, a complex matter as it can result in one group of taxpayers subsidizing other specific industries.

With particular reference to property taxation, the Province is reviewing a report that was prepared for the Canadian Wind Energy Association on practices in Canada and published in October 2005. Unlike other Provinces, where there are provincial property taxes, Nova Scotia is somewhat unique in that property taxation is solely the tax base for municipalities. This means that incentives used elsewhere may not be applicable in Nova Scotia. Any special property tax treatment should involve consultation with the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities. It is our intention to continue reviewing this matter with municipalities and industry.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barry Barnett".

Barry Barnett

Public given opportunity to shape wind turbine bylaws

THE NEWS

Pictou - County council hopes to view a draft of a new bylaw governing the use of wind turbines in the county.

Warden Allister MacDonald said the county has contracted consultants from Halifax to help develop the new bylaw. Council was supposed to get its first peek at the documents last week, but had to postpone its meeting due to stormy weather.

"We're ready to go as soon as we get the documents," MacDonald said. County residents will have the

opportunity to weigh in on the bylaw before its passed, however. A series of public meetings will be held over the next few months aimed at getting input on developing the new regulations, MacDonald said.

"We're going to have a number of meetings around the county, maybe as many as four or five," he said. "We'll have the document there for them to give input."

It's hoped that the first public session will be held next month, but there are no dates set yet.

**B2- PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE COMMENT CARDS (3
MEETINGS)**

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name: Mary Belle Maclean Phone: 485-6158

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?

Yes, Helps to save our environment for our grandchildren
IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

Yes looks like a good source of wind with very little impact
WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

Looks like all the research has been done
WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

Renewable source of power with little environmental impact
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

yes
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

Moral support

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

Yes Reuben has done all his homework well
with extensive zoological + botanical studies

General comments

Wishing you all the best with this
tendering process

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name : *Ina Adamson* Phone : *485-8559*

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?

*yes. We have to move to renewable sources of energy.
The proposed site is not near any homes.*

IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

It sounds as if you have considered ~~everything~~

WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

wind is free!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

It doesn't matter

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

Not really - too old!

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

yes.

General comments

*I wish you well!
We need to do all we can to clean
up the environment.*

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name: Elizabeth May Phone: 752-2320

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?

Yes! We need renewable clean energy - not coal.

IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

It appears to be very well sited - Will be a good example of sustainable wind energy -
WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

Reduced Greenhouse gases - Putting Nova Scotia on a better energy path.
WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

Yes!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

Yes. In any way I can assist as leader of the Green Party & Pictou County resident.
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

Yes.

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

General comments

The Dalhousie Wind Farm is well researched in terms of environmental & human impacts.

It is well-sited on ridge lines, generally far from dwellings. The developer is setting a fine example other wind companies should emulate -

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name : *Robert Sarson* Phone : *902 922 4020*

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?

yes A Clean Renewable Resource
IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

yes

WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

limited impact compared to conventional Generation
WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

Clean Source of Energy
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

Have no land
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

yes Management of Sites
DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

yes

General comments

*Robert Sarson
Department of Natural Resources
McEllous Brook
922 4020*

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name : *Allan Blim* Phone : *922-4020*

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?

Yes - Clean energy -

IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

Yes - Less impact on communities - & good wind

WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

Clean efficient energy

WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

Don't own property

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

Yes

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

General comments

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

WEST RIVER FIRE HALL
Your Name: Denis Harnest Phone: 262-2641 928-8410 FIRECHIEF

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ? yes

FIREHALL DISPATCH STELLARON Police Dept. 7526160

IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

Yes - Close to FIRE HALL

WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

HANDLING OF combustibles IF ANY -

WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

POTENTIAL Tax levy Support For FIRE HALL

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

NO LAND AVAILABLE

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

FIREHALL Support

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

Yes

General comments

PHONE Dispatch or 911 then call cell
or Radio in from mechanics radio
Frequency -

EPP is in place For Rmsenergy LTD. to
block ROADS And Support in accordance
with MAPS + Response team

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name: *Scott Falconer* Phone: *485-1369*

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?

*yes. Good for the environment, better for our health.
unlimited resource.*

IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

Very good site. Power lines are close by.

WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

Reduce the use of fossil fuels

WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

money made for the Developer.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

Yes, large or small.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

not really.

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

yes, from the information provided at the meeting

General comments

Keep at it. Persistence will prevail.

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name Benchley Falconer Phone: (902) 485-1857 benchleyf@hotmail.com

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?

Absolutely! Clean energy (free ^{WIND} energy) is abundant, while conventional energy-generating fuels are finite resources. Costs rise while supplies dwindle → Cost of wind is stable.

IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

From the data provided, it would seem that there is significant wind resource available for exploitation while minimizing impact on high-population areas and proximity to transmission lines.

WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

- Dependency on coal → cleaner air → stable cost per kWh (wind is "free" while coal costs \$.) - The technology ^(wind) for production should decrease in cost over time.

WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

- Dependency on coal, oil or other limited resources is reduced/prevented.
- Electricity cost is stable/predictable "as sure as the wind blows!"
- Land owners stand to earn a small profit from sharing their resource.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

I would support either or both if I could offer a significant contribution towards this industry, especially if I stand to turn a modest profit.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

Yes, learning about the development process, start to finish, → Technology available → Future investment; Increasing my knowledge of the industry & technology available today.

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

Given the multitude of factors to consider in developing such a project it would seem that due care is being provided to address concerns and answer questions as they become apparent.

General comments

It is obvious that society needs to shift its dependency from high-polluting, increasingly costly limited resources to more stable predictable alternatives, such as wind, solar, hydro as the technology and resources become/are available as this will stabilize long-term rates (cost of energy) (amount of pollution) as well as take advantage of the fact that the cost of wind will not increase, while the cost of technology decreased over time. (Direct cost per delivered kW should actually decrease ~~over~~ as technology improves which leads to a more competitive price system → reduced cost for the consumer at minimal environmental impact.

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name: *Margaret MacKenzie* Phone: *485-6643*

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?

Absolutely - we need some clean, green air!

IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

Perfect site. No homes or businesses to be worried about. Residents - I should say.

WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

Clean air, satisfaction Reuben can accomplish his dream.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

agreed with whatever is feasible.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

don't know what I could do in the working dept but you have 100% of my support.

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

Extremely well managed, & it's hard to believe what you have researched and all the info you provided us with.

General comments

I'll encourage anyone I speak with to come to one of the other meetings & get their eyes opened and learn what we is entailed ⁱⁿ this exciting venture.

Best of luck Reuben!

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name: JOHN MILTON
MACKENZIE Phone: 485-6643

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?
YES FAIRLY HANDY TO TRANSMISSION LINE
AND REDUCE THE NEED FOR COAL FIRED GENERATION

IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?
YES, HIGH ELEVATION AND SET WELL BACK FROM
MOST HOUSES.

WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?
RIGHT OF WAY FOR ROADS CUT IN WINTER.

WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?
SAVE COAL FIRED GENERATORS FROM POLLUTING.
ONT. JUST BLEW UP THE LARGEST COAL FIRED GENERATOR IN THE WORLD

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?
WHICH EVER SEEM TO BE THE MOST EFFICIENT
OVER TIME AND FOR ENVIRONMENT

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?
YES TO PROVIDE A SUITABLE LOCATION FOR TURBINES

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?
YES

General comments

TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE WOOD THAT
NEEDS TO BE CUT SOMETIME.

JOHN MILTON MACKENZIE

(LOT ON DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN)

1 On an old page from an atlas much earlier than 1879 the name listed is Joseph Richards.

2 In the 1879 atlas Donald MacKenzie.

3 It was Catherine MacKenzie Fraser and husband James Primose Fraser who farmed in the early 1900's and after he died she moved to Scotsburn and had a small restaurant and retired to Port Colborne, Ont. where her daughter (1) Irene lived. Irene married Robert David Clarke and daughter (2) Isabel Fraser of Humberstone Ont. Isabel married Lawrence Fraser.

4 In 1945 my father Milton and his brother James bought the lot for the logs and set up their sawmill on the lot in 1946. The mill was run by a steam boiler fired by slabs.

5 In 1971 they divided up their woodlots and I, John Milton H. MacKenzie received this one.

6 My Aunt Christina MacKenzie (Warren Rae) taught school at Dalhousie about 1911 - 1912.

*If we come up with any more info
we'll pass it along!*

DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN WIND FARMS COMMENT CARD

BASED ON THE PRESENTATION HELD JUNE 28 2007.

Your Name: BROAD MACLEOD Phone: (902) 452-1355

ARE YOU FOR A WIND TURBINE FARM IN PICTOU COUNTY ? WHY ?

YES, GREEN ENERGY IS IMPORTANT FOR N.S.'S FUTURE.

IS DALHOUSIE MOUNTAIN A GOOD SITE AND WHY ? IF NOT WHERE ?

YES. GOOD WIND, FEW PERMANENT RESIDENTS.

WHAT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THIS PROJECT CAN BE REDUCED? HOW?

LOOKS GOOD AS IS.

WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT ?

MORE WINDMILLS BRINGS THE COST DOWN WHICH MEANS MORE WINDMILLS

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LARGE OR SMALL TURBINES ON YOUR LAND ?

N/A

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS? IN WHAT WAY?

VIBRATION MONITORING. SEE E-MAIL BELOW.

DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROJECT IS BEING RESPONSIBLY MANAGED ?

YES. MANY STUDIES SEEM TO BE DONE.

General comments

WHO IS DOING VIBRATION MONITORING ON YOUR WINDMILLS.
caperbrod@hotmail.com.

B3- NEWSPAPER ADS AND ARTICLES

CENTRAL WEST RIVER

Wind power developer plans larger commitment

By Steve Goodwin steve@pictouadvocate.com

Reuben Burge says he's ready for a deeper commitment to wind power.

Burge, who has raised two test wind turbines in Pictou County on behalf of his company, RMSenergy, has joined the tendering process to supply wind power to the Nova Scotia Power Inc. grid from different points around Dalhousie Mountain.

He is bidding on 51 megawatts of the 130 megawatts of power being sought through the tender, which has a deadline of Aug. 31.

"I have to compete with about 30 big companies," Burge told the several people who attended his open house July 12 at the West River Fire Hall.

He plans to host another open house at the fire hall July 26.

Pictou County has been identified by several companies as one of the best areas for wind power in the province as the government tries to wean Nova Scotians off thermal electrical generation.

"This county is a natural because the power lines are already in place close to my site, and we have a population of 50,000 who take power from NSP," Burge said.

While Nova Scotia is generating 60 megawatts of wind power from sources around the province, the MacDonald government has set a goal of 400 megawatts of wind power by 2013 to achieve its target of 20 per cent of renewable electrical generation.

Burge's test turbines generate .8 megawatts of power, while the towers he proposes to put up are 1.5 megawatt models.

While two megawatts can power up to 1,600 homes a year, Burge said the intent of the Dalhousie Mountain project is to offset 100 per cent of Pictou County's electrical usage.

Burge has identified 34 potential sites on private land containing multi-generational woodland accessed by abandoned logging roads, as well as former farmland.

He needs 34 of those sites to get his 51 megawatts of wind power generation.

"I think Dalhousie Mountain has the potential for 150 megawatts of wind power generation over the next few years," he says. "That could power up to 50,000 homes."

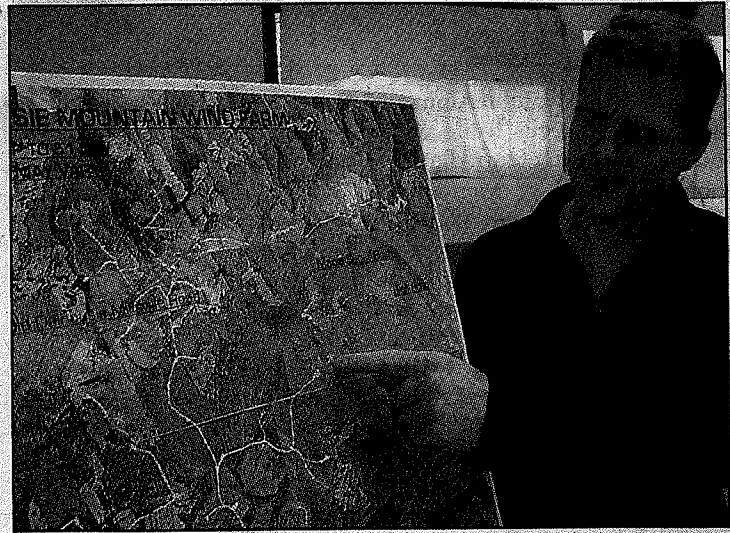
Burge has designated a point near the summit of Mount Thom along existing NSP power lines as a connecting point to sell the electricity produced by his venture to the company.

"For now, I'm going the simple route," he says.

Burge says he has conducted extensive zoological and botanical studies to confirm how suitable areas are around Dalhousie Mountain for wind power.

They include checking for bat populations and flyways for bird species, as well as soil testing at former farms.

"There wasn't much soil on the land that was farmed," he said. "They had a hard life there."



Rueben Burge stands beside a aerial map of Dalhousie Mountain showing more than 40 potential sites for wind turbines in the area. Burge is applying to generate 51 megawatts of wind power in the area. (Goodwin photo)

Dalhousie Mountain Wind Farm

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Hosted by Reuben Burge

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General presentation on Wind Energy 6 - 6:30 p.m.

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- Environmental effects on surroundings
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- Land issues, impacts and testing wind
- Opportunities for local business, land owners, investors

The primary purpose of these meetings is to provide information to the people who wish to be involved in Wind Energy.

This wind farm has the potential to produce enough 100% clean electricity to offset all home use in Pictou County. But Pictou County has to want a wind farm to make it actually happen. I would like you to mail me your letter of support and provide some details on why and how a wind farm could benefit us as a county. All letters can be mailed to:

reubenburge@eastlink.ca

RMS Energy Ltd. Reuben Burge

RR#3 Westville, B0K 2A0

or personally delivered at the public meetings.

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MEETING 3

MEETING 2

**B4 FIRST NATIONS LETTERS
FROM RMSENERGY**

