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Chris McGuckin Land Director Lafarge Canada Inc. 6509 Airport Road Mississauga, ON L4V 1S7

Dear Mr. McGuckin:

Re:

Environmental Assessment - Lafarge Canada Inc.

Lafarge Hardscratch Quarry Extension Project, Yarmouth County, NS

The environmental assessment of the proposed Lafarge Hardscratch Quarry Extension Project in Yarmouth County, NS has been completed.

This is to advise that I have approved the above project in accordance with Section 40 of the *Environment Act*, S.N.S., 1994-95 and subsection 13(1)(b) of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, N.S. Reg. 348/2008, made under the *Act*. Following a review of the information provided by Lafarge Canada Inc., and the information provided during the government and public consultation of the environmental assessment, I am satisfied that any adverse effects or significant environmental effects of the undertaking can be adequately mitigated through compliance with the attached terms and conditions.

This approval is subject to any other approvals required by statute or regulation, including but not limited to, approval under Part V of the Nova Scotia *Environment Act* (Approvals and Certificates section).

If you have any questions regarding the approval of this project, please contact the Acting Manager, Environmental Assessment Branch, Ms. Helen MacPhail at (902) 424-3960 or via email at macphafh@gov.ns.ca

Sincerely,

Randy Delorey, MLA Minister of Environment

Encl.

C:

Helen MacPhail