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Mr. Hugh Lynch Melford International Terminal Incorporated Suite 1201, 1809 Barrington Street Halifax, NS B3B 3K8

Dear Mr. Lynch:

Re: Environmental Assessment - Melford International Terminal

The environmental assessment of the proposed Melford International Terminal, Guysborough County, Nova Scotia, has been completed. This is to advise that I have approved the above project pursuant to Part IV of the *Environment Act*.

I am satisfied following a review of the information provided by Melford Terminals Inc., and through the government and public consultation as part of the environmental assessment, that any adverse effects or significant environmental effects of the undertaking can be adequately mitigated through compliance with the attached terms and conditions.

This letter in conjunction with the attached terms and conditions constitutes my approval. This approval is subject to all other approvals required by statute or regulation, including but not limited to, approvals under Part V of the Nova Scotia *Environment Act* (Approvals and Certificates section).

If you have any questions regarding this project approval, please contact the Manager, Environmental Assessment, Ms. Lorrie Roberts at (902) 424-6344 or via email at ROBERTLA@gov.ns.ca

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

Mark Parent Minister