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Jeff Newton
National Gypsum (Canada) Limited
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Elmsdale, NS B0N 1Y0

Dear Mr. Newton:

Re: Environmental Assessment National Gypsum Mine Extension in Milford, Nova Scotia

The environmental assessment of the proposed National Gypsum Mine Extension, in Halifax County 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 National Gypsum (Canada) Limited, 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 Peter Geddes, Director of policy at (902) 424-6250 or via email at geddespi@gov.ns.ca.

Sincerely,

Randy Delorey, MLA
Minister of Environment

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c: Peter Geddes