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Gary Rudolph, P.Eng.
Director of Aggregates and Pavement Rehabilitation
Municipal Enterprises Limited
927 Rocky Lake Drive
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Dear Gary Rudolph:

RE: Environmental Assessment – Municipal Enterprises Limited, Walden Quarry Expansion Project, Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia

The assessment of the proposed Walden Quarry Expansion Project in Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia has been completed.

This letter is to advise that I have approved the above project in accordance with Section 40 of the Nova Scotia *Environment Act*, S.N.S., 1994-95 and subsection 13(1)(b) of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, N.S. Reg. 348/2022, made under the Act. Following a review of the information provided by Municipal Enterprises Limited, and the information provided by the Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia, and the public during consultation on 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.

Please be advised that prior to the alteration of any of the wetlands identified in the Study Area you will be required to apply for and receive the required Wetland Alteration Approval(s) from the Department. Decisions regarding such approvals will be made based on the information provided at the time of application while applying the Environment Act, relevant regulations and the Wetland Conservation Policy (attached). For questions related to any wetland alterations, please contact Paula Francis, Business Relationship Manager, at (902)-680-6168 or via email at Paula.Francis@novascotia.ca.

In your Environmental Assessment Registration Document, you identified the presence of Canada warbler. It will be important that you work with the Department of Natural Resources and Renewables to address or mitigate impacts such that your project meets requirements under provincial and federal legislation related to this species.

If you have any questions regarding the approval of this project, please contact Bridget Tutty, Manager, Environmental Assessment Branch, at (902) 452-7891 or via email at Bridget.Tutty@novascotia.ca.

Sincerely,

Honourable Timothy Halman, MLA
Minister of Environment and Climate Change

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c: Bridget Tutty, Environment and Climate Change