

# Appendix H

## Correspondence with Municipalities

# Appendix H1

## Town of Cochrane

June 1, 2011

Jean Pierre Ouellette, CAO, Town of Cochrane  
171 4th Avenue  
Cochrane, ON P0L 1C0

**Subject: Notice of a Proposal and Notice of Public Meeting - Northland Power - Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project**

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cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power  
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June 27, 2011

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May 16, 2012

Richard Vallee, Building and Planning  
Town of Cochrane, Clerk's Office  
171 4th Ave.  
Cochrane, On P0L 1C0

Dear Mr. Vallee

**Subject: Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project -  
REA Reports for Review**

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Enclosed are copies of the complete set of REA documents for each Project, including Project Description Report, Construction Plan Report, Design and Operation Report, Decommissioning Plan Report, Natural Heritage Assessment Reports, Water Body Assessment Reports, Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Reports and Noise Assessment Report, as well as the Municipal Consultation Form. In accordance with the Ministry of Environment (MOE)'s requirements, these documents are provided to the Town of Cochrane for review. We request that you provide any comments you may have and provide the completed Municipal Consultation Form by the end of the 90-day review period.

A public meeting is also to occur in the future, for which you will receive additional notification.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905-374-5200 or [smale@hatch.ca](mailto:smale@hatch.ca).

Sincerely,



Sean K. Male, M.Sc. - REA Coordinator  
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cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power  
Carol-Ann Fletcher, Northland Power



Attachment(s)/Enclosure:

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Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – Abitibi Solar Project  
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Municipal Consultation Form – Abitibi Solar Project

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Draft Noise Assessment Report – Empire Solar Project  
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Draft Project Description Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
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Draft Noise Assessment Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Municipal Consultation Form – Martin's Meadows Solar Project

Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – 115kV Transmission Line

May 24, 2012

Jean Pierre Ouellette, CAO  
Town of Cochrane  
171 4th Avenue  
Cochrane, ON P0L 1C0

**Subject: Notice of Public Meeting and Renewable Energy Approvals Documents -  
Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadow's Solar Project**

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Northland Power is undertaking a public consultation program in support of the Projects and has planned a public meeting on Tuesday, August 21, 2012, as outlined in the enclosed Notice of Public Meeting. This Notice will also be published in *Cochrane Times Post* on Thursday, May 24, 2012 and Thursday, July 26, 2012. The Public Meeting will provide the public with an opportunity to learn more about the Project proposals and about Northland Power. Please note a change has occurred in the proposed transmission line route and the attached map outlines both the previous proposed transmission line route, as shown at the last public meeting, and the revised proposed transmission line route.

In accordance with Section 16 (3) of Ontario Reg. 359/09, draft supporting documents, including the Project Description Report, Executive Summary, Design and Operations Report, Construction Plan Report, Decommissioning Plan Report, Noise Assessment Report, Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report, Natural Heritage Assessment Reports and Water Body Assessment Reports, are to follow and will be made available by Thursday, June 21, 2012 at (i) the Town of Cochrane Municipal Office and at (ii) the Hunta Mennonite Church (please contact Robert Landis at 705-272-6306 for a viewing) or (iii) on-line at [northlandpower.ca/abitibi](http://northlandpower.ca/abitibi), [www.northlandpower.ca/empire](http://www.northlandpower.ca/empire) and [www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows](http://www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows). We would appreciate any comments, queries or information you may have that are relevant to the proposed Projects.



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**Attachment(s)/Enclosure**

Notice of Public Meeting – Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Comparison Map of Transmission Line Route

cc: Tom Hockin, Northland Power  
Carol-Ann Fletcher, Northland Power

May 31, 2011

Richard Vallée, Building and Planning  
Town of Cochrane, Clerk's Office  
171 4th Ave.  
Cochrane, ON P0L 1C0

Dear Mr. Vallée

**Subject: Notice of a Proposal and Notice of Public Meeting -  
Draft Project Description Report for Public Review -  
Northland Power - Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project  
and Martin's Meadows Solar Project**

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Northland Power is undertaking a public consultation program in support of the Projects, and we are providing the attached documents to commence this consultation. Please find attached a copy of the "Notice of a Proposal by Northland Power to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project and Notice of Public Meeting". This joint Notice will be published in the *Cochrane Times Post* on June 2, 2011 and June 9, 2011.

Also, please find enclosed a copy of the Draft "Project Description Report" for the proposed Projects. The Project Description Reports provide a summary of the proposed Project's design and of the preliminary findings of the environmental and associated studies. In accordance with the Ministry of Environment (MOE)'s requirements, can you please ensure that these reports are available for public review within your local municipal office. If you are unable to make these reports available for public review, please notify us, so we can make alternate arrangements.

The Draft Project Description Reports and further information about these Projects and about Northland Power can also be found online at: [www.northlandpower.ca/abitibi](http://www.northlandpower.ca/abitibi), [www.northlandpower.ca/empire](http://www.northlandpower.ca/empire), and [www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows](http://www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows).

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June 8, 2012

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Further to the set of documents which we previously provided for review by the Town, enclosed are a copy of the complete set of REA documents for each Project to be made available for public review at the Town of Cochrane Municipal Office by Thursday, June 21, 2012. If this is not possible please contact the undersigned. Also, enclosed, is a copy of the Executive Summary for all three Projects for review by the Town.

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September 18, 2012

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Notice of Public Meeting – Abitibi, Empire, Martin's Meadows and Long Lake

## Gibson, Melissa

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**From:** Gibson, Melissa  
**Sent:** Friday, September 28, 2012 10:09 AM  
**To:** 'richard.vallee@cochraneontario.com'  
**Cc:** Male, Sean; 334844  
**Subject:** Municipal Consultation Form for Proposed Northland Power Solar Facilities  
**Attachments:** Abitibi\_Municipal Consultation Form.pdf; Empire\_Municipal Consultation Form.pdf; Martins Meadows\_Municipal Consultation Form.pdf

Hi Richard,

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Martin's Meadows: <http://northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows/microsite.taf>

Thanks and please let me know if I can do anything to help,  
Melissa

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# Appendix H2

## Cochrane & Suburban Planning Board

June 1, 2011

Pierre Demers, Secretary-Treasurer,  
Cochrane & Suburban Planning Board  
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June 20, 2011

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As previously notified in a letter dated, May 31, 2011, Northland Power is undertaking a public consultation program in support of the Projects. Due to a change in Project location, the previously notified date of Tuesday July 5, 2011 for the Public Meeting is changed to Wednesday July 27, 2011. We apologize for any inconvenience. Please find attached a "Notice of Public Meeting", which details the time and date of the planned meeting. This Notice will also be published in *Cochrane Times Post* on Thursday June 23, 2011 and Thursday June 30, 2011.

Enclosed are updated copies of the Draft "Project Description Report" for the proposed Projects. The Project Description Reports provide a summary of the proposed Project's design and of the preliminary findings of the environmental and associated studies.

The updated Draft Project Description Reports and further information about these Projects and about Northland Power can also be found on-line at: [www.northlandpower.ca/abitibi](http://www.northlandpower.ca/abitibi), [www.northlandpower.ca/empire](http://www.northlandpower.ca/empire), and [www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows](http://www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905-374-5200 or [smale@hatch.ca](mailto:smale@hatch.ca).

Yours truly,



Sean Male, M.Sc.  
REA Coordinator  
SKM:mg

Attachments:

Notice of a Proposal/Notice of Public Meeting : Abitibi, Empire and Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Project Description Reports: Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project, Martin's Meadows Solar Project



cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power  
Tom Hockin, Northland Power



June 27, 2011

Richard Vallée, Secretary-Treasurer, Cochrane & Suburban Planning Board  
P.O Box 490  
Cochrane, On P0L 1C0

**Subject: Notice of Change of Date for Public Meeting - Northland Power - Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project**

Northland Power is proposing to construct three solar projects in the Town of Cochrane, just southeast of the community of Genier. The proposed projects are named the Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project (the "Projects") and will each have an installed nominal capacity of 10 MW. These Projects require a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) issued in accordance with the provisions of the Ontario *Environmental Protection Act* Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 as amended by Ontario Regulation 521/10. Northland Power has retained Hatch to assist in fulfilling the requirements of the REA process.

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In accordance with Section 16 (3) of Ontario Reg. 359/09, an updated draft "Project Description Report" and associated information pertaining to these Projects and about Northland Power can be found online at: [northlandpower.ca/abitibi](http://northlandpower.ca/abitibi), [www.northlandpower.ca/empire](http://www.northlandpower.ca/empire) and [www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows](http://www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows). As well, hardcopies are available at the Town of Cochrane municipal office. We would appreciate any comments, queries or information you may have that are relevant to the proposed Projects.

Please direct any correspondence(s) to:

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Yours truly,



Sean Male, M.Sc.  
REA Coordinator

SM:srg

Attachment: Notice of a Proposal/Notice of Public Meeting: Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project

cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power  
Tom Hockin, Northland Power

May 16, 2012

Pierre Demers  
Cochrane & Suburban Planning Board  
c/o Town of Cochrane  
171 4th Avenue, PO Box 490  
Cochrane, On, P0L 1C0

Dear Mr. Demers

**Subject: Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project -  
REA Reports for Review**

As you are aware, Northland Power Solar Abitibi L.P., Northland Power Solar Empire L.P. and Northland Power Solar Martin's Meadows L.P. are proposing to develop three 10-MW solar photovoltaic projects titled Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project, respectively. Northland has commenced with the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, as required, and described in Ontario Regulation 359/09 under the *Environmental Protection Act*. Northland Power has retained Hatch to assist in fulfilling the requirements of the REA process.

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A public meeting is also to occur in the future, for which you will receive additional notification.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905-374-5200 or [smale@hatch.ca](mailto:smale@hatch.ca).

Yours faithfully,



Sean K. Male, M.Sc. - REA Coordinator  
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cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power  
Carol-Ann Fletcher, Northland Power

Attachment(s)/Enclosure :

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Draft Construction Plan Report – Abitibi Solar Project  
Draft Design and Operations Report – Abitibi Solar Project  
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Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – Abitibi Solar Project  
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Draft Noise Assessment Report – Abitibi Solar Project  
Municipal Consultation Form – Abitibi Solar Project

Draft Project Description Report – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Construction Plan Report – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Design and Operations Report – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Decommissioning Plan Report – Empire Solar Project  
Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – Empire Solar Project  
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Municipal Consultation Form – Empire Solar Project

Draft Project Description Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Construction Plan Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Design and Operations Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Decommissioning Plan Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Natural Heritage Assessment Reports – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Water Body Assessment Reports – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Noise Assessment Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Municipal Consultation Form – Martin's Meadows Solar Project

Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – 115kV Transmission Line

May 24, 2012

Pierre Demers, Secretary-Treasurer, Cochrane & Suburban Planning Board  
P.O Box 490  
Cochrane, ON P0L 1C0

**Subject: Notice of Public Meeting and Renewable Energy Approvals Documents -  
Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadow's Solar Project**

Northland Power is proposing to construct three solar projects in the Town of Cochrane, just southeast of the community of Genier. The proposed projects are named the Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project (the "Projects") and will each have an installed nominal capacity of 10 MW. These Projects require a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) issued in accordance with the provisions of the Ontario *Environmental Protection Act* Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09. Northland Power has retained Hatch to assist in fulfilling the requirements of the REA process.

Northland Power is undertaking a public consultation program in support of the Projects and has planned a public meeting on Tuesday, August 21, 2012, as outlined in the enclosed Notice of Public Meeting. This Notice will also be published in *Cochrane Times Post* on Thursday, May 24, 2012 and Thursday, July 26, 2012. The Public Meeting will provide the public with an opportunity to learn more about the Project proposals and about Northland Power. Please note a change has occurred in the proposed transmission line route and the attached map outlines both the previous proposed transmission line route, as shown at the last public meeting, and the revised proposed transmission line route.

In accordance with Section 16 (3) of Ontario Reg. 359/09, draft supporting documents, including the Project Description Report, Executive Summary, Design and Operations Report, Construction Plan Report, Decommissioning Plan Report, Noise Assessment Report, Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report, Natural Heritage Assessment Reports and Water Body Assessment Reports, are to follow and will be made available by Thursday, June 21, 2012 at (i) the Town of Cochrane Municipal Office and at (ii) the Hunta Mennonite Church (please contact Robert Landis at 705-272-6306 for a viewing) or (iii) on-line at [northlandpower.ca/abitibi](http://northlandpower.ca/abitibi), [www.northlandpower.ca/empire](http://www.northlandpower.ca/empire) and [www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows](http://www.northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows). We would appreciate any comments, queries or information you may have that are relevant to the proposed Projects.



May 24, 2012

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Sincerely,



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REA Coordinator

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**Attachment(s)/Enclosure**

Notice of Public Meeting – Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Comparison Map of Transmission Line Route

cc: Tom Hockin, Northland Power  
Carol-Ann Fletcher, Northland Power

May 31, 2011

Pierre Demers  
Cochrane & Suburban Planning Board  
P.O Box 490  
Cochrane, ON P0L 1C0

Dear Mr. Demers:

**Subject: Notice of a Proposal and Notice of Public Meeting -  
Draft Project Description Report for Public Review -  
Northland Power - Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and  
Martin's Meadows Solar Project**

Northland Power is proposing to construct three solar projects within the Town of Cochrane. The proposed projects are named the Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project (the "Projects") and will each have an installed nominal capacity of 10 MW. These Projects require a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) issued in accordance with the provisions of the Ontario *Environmental Protection Act* Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 as amended by Ontario Regulation 521/10. Northland Power has retained Hatch to assist in fulfilling the requirements of the REA process.

Northland Power is undertaking a public consultation program in support of the Projects, and we are providing the attached documents to commence this consultation. Please find attached a copy of the "Notice of a Proposal by Northland Power to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project and Notice of Public Meeting". This joint Notice will be published in the *Cochrane Times Post* on June 2, 2011 and June 9, 2011.

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cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power  
Tom Hockin, Northland Power

June 8, 2012

Pierre Demers  
Cochrane & Suburban Planning Board  
c/o Town of Cochrane  
171 4th Avenue, PO Box 490  
Cochrane, On, P0L 1C0

Dear Mr. Demers

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Enclosed are copies of the Executive Summaries that accompany the set of REA documents provided previously with a letter dated May 16, 2012. As previously stated, we request that you provide any comments you may have and provide the completed Municipal Consultation Form by the end of the 90-day review period.

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cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power  
Carol-Ann Fletcher, Northland Power

Attachment(s)/Enclosure :

Draft Executive Summary – Abitibi Solar Project  
Draft Executive Summary – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Executive Summary – Martin's Meadows Solar Project



September 18, 2012

Pierre Demers, Secretary-Treasurer  
Cochrane & Suburban Planning Board  
P.O Box 490  
Cochrane, On P0L 1C0

Dear Mr. Demers:

**Subject: Notice of Public Meeting - Abitibi, Empire, Martin's Meadows and Long Lake Solar Projects**

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Northland Power is continuing a public consultation program in support of the Projects and has planned a public meeting on Thursday October 4, 2012, as outlined in the enclosed Notice of Public Meeting. This Notice will also be published in *Cochrane Times Post* on Thursday September 20, 2012, and Thursday September 27, 2012. The Public Meeting is being held to provide further information on the proposed 115 kV transmission line associated with the Projects.

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  - ◆ [northlandpower.ca/longlake](http://northlandpower.ca/longlake)



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We would appreciate any comments, queries or information you may have that are relevant to the proposed Projects.

Please direct any correspondence(s) to:

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Sincerely,



Sean K. Male  
SKM:mg

Attachment(s)/Enclosure  
Notice of Public Meeting – Abitibi, Empire, Martin's Meadows and Long Lake



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# Appendix H3

## Hunta Local Roads Board

May 16, 2012

Evelyn Schier, Secretary Treasurer  
Hunta Local Roads Board  
c/o Heavener's Variety  
249 5th Street  
Cochrane, On P0L 1C0

Dear Mrs. Schier

**Subject: Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project - REA Reports for Review**

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A public meeting is also to occur in the future, for which you will receive additional notification.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905-374-5200 or [smale@hatch.ca](mailto:smale@hatch.ca).

Sincerely,



Sean K. Male, M.Sc. - REA Coordinator  
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cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power



Carol-Ann Fletcher, Northland Power

Attachment(s)/Enclosure:

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Municipal Consultation Form – Abitibi Solar Project

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Draft Design and Operations Report – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Decommissioning Plan Report – Empire Solar Project  
Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – Empire Solar Project  
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Municipal Consultation Form – Empire Solar Project

Draft Project Description Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
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Draft Water Body Assessment Reports – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Noise Assessment Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Municipal Consultation Form – Martin's Meadows Solar Project

Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – 115kV Transmission Line

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**From:** Male, Sean  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 05, 2012 11:40 PM  
**To:** 'Evelyn Shier'  
**Cc:** 'Tom Hockin'; Carol-Ann Fletcher; 334844  
**Subject:** RE: public meeting

Hi Evelyn,

Thank you for your comment. We can certainly accommodate that request. For the meeting in Hunta we will plan to have a presentation from 4:30 to 5, followed by a question and answer session/open house until 6:30.

Thank you,

Sean

**Sean K. Male, M.Sc.**

Terrestrial Ecologist, Environmental Assessment & Management  
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**From:** Evelyn Shier [<mailto:05shier@puc.net>]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 03, 2012 3:19 PM  
**To:** Male, Sean  
**Subject:** public meeting

Good Morning -

In reference to your correspondence regarding a public meeting to be held Tuesday, August 21, 2012.

The trustees of the Hunta Local Roads Board feel it would be more beneficial for your representative to do a presentation on your project followed by a question and answer portion.

Would this be possible?

Your comments will be appreciated.

Thank you

Evelyn Shier, secretary

June 8, 2012

Evelyn Shier, Secretary Treasurer  
Hunta Local Roads Board  
c/o Heavener's Variety  
249 5th Street  
Cochrane, On P0L 1C0

Dear Mrs. Schier

**Subject: Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project - REA Reports for Review**

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Sincerely,



Sean K. Male, M.Sc. - REA Coordinator  
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cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power  
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Attachment(s)/Enclosure:

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September 18, 2012

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Hunta Local Roads Board  
c/o Heavener's Variety  
249 5th Street  
Cochrane, ON P0L 1C0

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  - ◆ [northlandpower.ca/longlake](http://northlandpower.ca/longlake)



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We would appreciate any comments, queries or information you may have that are relevant to the proposed Projects.

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Sincerely,



Sean K. Male  
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Attachment(s)/Enclosure  
Notice of Public Meeting – Abitibi, Empire, Martin's Meadows and Long Lake



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**From:** Gibson, Melissa  
**Sent:** Friday, September 28, 2012 8:19 AM  
**To:** '05shier@puc.net'  
**Cc:** Male, Sean; 334844  
**Subject:** Municipal Consultation Form for Proposed Northland Power Solar Facilities  
**Attachments:** Long Lake- Municipal Consultation Form.pdf; Abitibi\_ Municipal Consultation Form.pdf; Empire\_ Municipal Consultation Form.pdf; Martins Meadows\_ Municipal Consultation Form.pdf

Hi Evelyn,

As mentioned, please find the attached municipal consultation forms in regards to the Long Lake Solar Project, Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadow Solar Project. As was requested, please provide any comments on the proposed Projects in the municipal consultation forms. Copies of the reports are available on line at the links below:

Long Lake: <http://northlandpower.ca/longlake/microsite.taf>

Abitibi: <http://northlandpower.ca/abitibi/microsite.taf>

Empire: <http://northlandpower.ca/empire/microsite.taf>

Martin's Meadows: <http://northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows/microsite.taf>

Thanks and please let me know if I can do anything to help,  
Melissa

**Melissa Gibson B.Sc**

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# Appendix H4

## Frederickhouse Local Roads Board

May 16, 2012

Denis Lalande, Secretary Treasurer  
Frederickhouse Local Roads Board  
c/o Heavener's Variety  
249 5th Street  
Cochrane, On P0L 1C0

Dear Mr. Lalande

**Subject: Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project -  
REA Reports for Review**

Northland Power Solar Abitibi L.P., Northland Power Solar Empire L.P. and Northland Power Solar Martin's Meadows L.P. are proposing to develop three 10-MW solar photovoltaic projects titled Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project, respectively. Northland has commenced with the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, as required, and described in Ontario Regulation 359/09 under the *Environmental Protection Act*. Northland Power has retained Hatch to assist in fulfilling the requirements of the REA process. The Projects are located within the Town of Cochrane, however the transmission line for the Project passes through areas under your jurisdiction.

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A public meeting is also to occur in the future, for which you will receive additional notification.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905-374-5200 or [smale@hatch.ca](mailto:smale@hatch.ca).

Sincerely,



Sean K. Male, M.Sc. - REA Coordinator  
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Draft Natural Heritage Assessment Reports – Abitibi Solar Project  
Draft Water Body Assessment Reports – Abitibi Solar Project  
Draft Noise Assessment Report – Abitibi Solar Project  
Municipal Consultation Form – Abitibi Solar Project

Draft Project Description Report – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Construction Plan Report – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Design and Operations Report – Empire Solar Project  
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Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Natural Heritage Assessment Reports – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Water Body Assessment Reports – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Noise Assessment Report – Empire Solar Project  
Municipal Consultation Form – Empire Solar Project

Draft Project Description Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Construction Plan Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Design and Operations Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Decommissioning Plan Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
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Draft Water Body Assessment Reports – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Draft Noise Assessment Report – Martin's Meadows Solar Project  
Municipal Consultation Form – Martin's Meadows Solar Project

Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Report – 115kV Transmission Line

June 8, 2012

Denis Lalande, Secretary Treasurer  
Frederickhouse Local Roads Board  
c/o Heavener's Variety  
249 5th Street  
Cochrane, On P0L 1C0

Dear Mr. Lalande

**Subject: Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project - REA Reports for Review**

As you are aware, Northland Power Solar Abitibi L.P., Northland Power Solar Empire L.P. and Northland Power Solar Martin's Meadows L.P. are proposing to develop three 10-MW solar photovoltaic projects titled Abitibi Solar Project, Empire Solar Project and Martin's Meadows Solar Project, respectively. Northland has commenced with the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, as required, and described in Ontario Regulation 359/09 under the *Environmental Protection Act*. Northland Power has retained Hatch to assist in fulfilling the requirements of the REA process. The Projects are located within the Town of Cochrane, however the transmission line for the Project passes through areas under your jurisdiction.

Enclosed are copies of the Executive Summaries that accompany the set of REA documents provided previously with a letter dated May 16, 2012. As previously stated, we request that you provide any comments you may have and provide the completed Municipal Consultation Form by the end of the 90-day review period.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905-374-5200 or [smale@hatch.ca](mailto:smale@hatch.ca).

Sincerely,



Sean K. Male, M.Sc. - REA Coordinator  
SKM:mg

cc: Mike Lord, Northland Power  
Carol-Ann Fletcher, Northland Power

Attachment(s)/Enclosure:

Draft Executive Summary – Abitibi Solar Project  
Draft Executive Summary – Empire Solar Project  
Draft Executive Summary – Martin's Meadows Solar Project



September 18, 2012

Denis Lalande, Secretary Treasurer  
Fredrickhouse Local Roads Board  
c/o Heavener's Variety  
249 5th Street  
Cochrane, ON P0L 1C0

Dear Mr. Lalande:

**Subject: Notice of Public Meeting - Abitibi, Empire, Martin's Meadows and Long Lake Solar Projects**

Northland Power is proposing to construct four solar projects in northeastern Ontario; three in the Town of Cochrane, just southeast of the community of Genier, and a fourth near the community of Hunta. The proposed projects are named the Abitibi Solar Project, the Empire Solar Project, the Martin's Meadows Solar Project and the Long Lake Solar Project (the "Projects") and will each have an installed nominal capacity of 10 MW. A 115 kV transmission line will connect these Projects to the provincial electricity distribution network. These Projects require a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) issued in accordance with the provisions of the Ontario *Environmental Protection Act*.

Northland Power is continuing a public consultation program in support of the Projects and has planned a public meeting on Thursday October 4, 2012, as outlined in the enclosed Notice of Public Meeting. This Notice will also be published in *Cochrane Times Post* on Thursday September 20, 2012, and Thursday September 27, 2012. The Public Meeting is being held to provide further information on the proposed 115 kV transmission line associated with the Projects.

As you may be aware, copies of the draft supporting documents were made available on June 21, 2012, at:

- the Town of Cochrane municipal office
- the Hunta Mennonite Church (please contact Robert Landis at 705-272-6306 for a viewing)
- online at the Project websites:
  - ◆ [northlandpower.ca/abitibi](http://northlandpower.ca/abitibi)
  - ◆ [northlandpower.ca/empire](http://northlandpower.ca/empire)
  - ◆ [northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows](http://northlandpower.ca/martinsmeadows)
  - ◆ [northlandpower.ca/longlake](http://northlandpower.ca/longlake)



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We would appreciate any comments, queries or information you may have that are relevant to the proposed Projects.

Please direct any correspondence(s) to:

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Sincerely,



Sean K. Male  
SKM:mg

Attachment(s)/Enclosure  
Notice of Public Meeting – Abitibi, Empire, Martin's Meadows and Long Lake



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# Appendix I

## List of Aboriginal Communities from Ministry of the Environment



**Ministry of the Environment**

Environmental Assessment and  
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March 10, 2011

MOE File #: NE-10-SF-0120

Michael Lord  
General Manager, Solar Development  
Northland Power Inc.  
30 St. Clair Avenue West, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto ON M4V 3A1

Dear Mr. Lord:

**RE: Director's Aboriginal Communities List - Abitibi, Empire and Martin's Meadows Solar Projects**

The Ontario Ministry of the Environment (Ministry) has reviewed the information provided in the Draft of the Project Description Report (PDR) received for the Abitibi, Empire and Martin's Meadows Solar Projects. The Ministry has reviewed the anticipated environmental effects of the projects (as described in the PDRs) relative to its current understanding of the interests of aboriginal communities in the area.

In accordance with section 14 of Ontario Regulation 359/09 "Renewable Energy Approvals under Part V.0.1 of the Act" (O. Reg. 359/09) made under the *Environmental Protection Act*, please find below the list of aboriginal communities who, in the opinion of the Director:

i) have or may have constitutionally protected aboriginal or treaty rights that may be adversely impacted by the project (s.14(b)(i)):

<b>Aboriginal Community Common Name: Reserve Name: Contact Information:</b>
Taykwa Tagamou Nation New Post New Post 69 PO BOX 3310, RR 3, Cochrane ON P0L 1C0 Phone (705) 272-5766 Fax (705) 272-5785

Wahgoshig First Nation Abitibi 70 R.R. #3 Matheson ON P0K 1N0 Phone (705) 273-2055 Fax (705) 273-2900
Flying Post Flying Post 73 PO BOX 1027 Nipigon ON P0T 2J0 Phone (807) 887-3071 Fax (807) 887-1138
Matachewan First Nation Matachewan 72 PO BOX 160 Matachewan ON P0K 1M0 Phone (705) 565-2230 Fax (705) 565-2585
Northern Lights Métis Council Urgil Courville, President P.O. Box 2690 275 Fifteenth Ave. Cochrane ON P0L 1C0 Phone (705) 272-3883
Métis Nation of Ontario – Timmons 347 Spruce St. South Timmins ON P4N 2N2 Phone (705) -264-3939 or 1-888-497-3939 FAX: 705-264-5468

OR

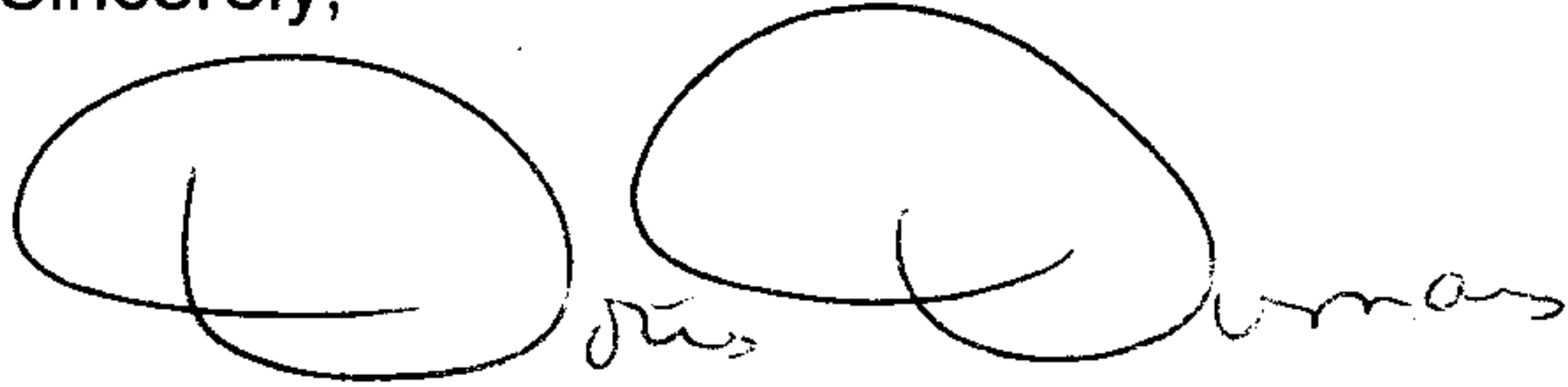
ii) otherwise may be interested in any negative environmental effects of the project (s.14(b)(ii)):

Métis Nation of Ontario Consultation Unit 500 Old St. Patrick St, Unit 3 Ottawa ON K1N 9G4
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**NOTE:** None of the foregoing should be taken to imply approval of this project or the contents of the PDR. This letter only addresses the requirement of the Director to provide a list of aboriginal communities to you as required pursuant to section 14 of O. Reg. 359/09. You should also be aware that information upon which the above list of aboriginal communities is based is subject to change. Aboriginal communities can make assertions at any time, and other developments, for example the discovery of Aboriginal archaeological resources, can occur that may require additional aboriginal communities to be notified. Should this happen, the Ministry will contact you. Similarly, if you receive any feedback from any aboriginal communities not included in this list, as part of your consultation, the Ministry would appreciate being notified.

Please contact Narren Santos at (416) 314-8442 should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doris Dumais". The signature is written in a cursive style with large, rounded loops for the letters 'D' and 'D'.

Doris Dumais  
Director – Approvals Program  
Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch

cc: Mansoor Mahmood, Renewable Energy Team, Ministry of the Environment  
Joe de Laronde, Aboriginal Affairs Branch, Ministry of the Environment