Long Lake Solar Farm
January 13, 2014
The Ministry of the Environment
Director, Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch
2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A,
Toronto, ON M4V 1L5
Attention: Mr. Vic Schroter, Director, EPA Section 47.5

## Re: Long Lake Solar Farm Project Renewable Energy Approval (REA) \#8430-9AEQ6M - Amendment

Northland Power Inc's Long Lake Solar Farm has recently just commenced site clear activities, preparing for construction in the near future. This amendment request is to submit three Archaeological studies which were conducted in the fall of 2013. As part of completing design discussions with Hydro One, a minor change to the sub-station layout is required and also additional construction preparation/lay-down land has been requested by our Contractor. These lands were already included in the main Project lands, but had not been assessed fully by the archaeologist.

Please find attached: an amendment cover letter/report (modification document) on Hatch letterhead dated December 17, 2013, which includes a description of the amendment request, revised site plans and a completed Application form; an application fee cheque in the amount of $\$ 300$; and three reports completed by T. Keith Powers, of The Archaeologists Inc.

A copy of this amendment application has been couriered to the MOE, District Office, as well.
Should you have any questions about the attached documents, please feel free to contact me at 416 6621437.

Yours truly,


Cc: MOE Timmins District Manager
Attach: Hatch Cover Letter Report/Modifications Document
which includes Renewable Energy Approval Amendment Application
Stage 1,2 and 3 Archaeological Reports (under Tabs 1, 2 and 3)
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December 17， 2013

Agatha Garcia－Wright，Director<br>Ministry of the Environment<br>2 St．Clair Avenue，Floor 12A<br>Toronto，ON M4V 1L5<br>Dear Ms．Garcia－Wright：<br>\section*{Subject：Proposed Project Design Changes Renewable Energy Approval（No．8430－9AEQ6M） Long Lake Solar Project}

As you are aware，Northland Power Solar Long Lake L．P．，has begun construction of the Long Lake Solar Project facility，located on Calder Concession Road 8／9，in the unorganized township of Calder，near the community of Hunta．

The Ministry of the Environment（MOE）issued a Renewable Energy Approval（REA）for the Project （No．8430－9AEQ6M）on August 29，2013．Recently，Northland Power decided to complete some additional archaeological surveys as described below：
－Stage 1 and 2 archaeological surveys along the proposed transmission line．Previous surveys had been restricted to the public right－of－way，and the line has now been relocated approximately 50 m south onto private lands in order to reduce the extent of overhead line required for the Project and to remove any potential or perceived encumbrance on public road right－of－ways．
－Stage 1 and 2 archaeological surveys within the southern portion of the Project location． Though permitted in the REA for the Project（as shown in the NHA and REA reports）， previous designs did not show any Project works occurring within this part of the Project location．This area may now be used for construction laydown areas／stockpiling of excess native materials resulting from site grading activities．
－Stage 3 archaeological survey along the northern boundary of the Project location in order to remove a previous setback from an archaeological resource identified during the Stage 2 assessment．

As such，Northland Power Solar Long Lake L．P．would like to submit an amendment to the REA to take these additional archaeological surveys and proposed changes into consideration．

This letter summarizes the proposed changes to the Project，including the rationale for each change，and identifies the amendments to each of the supporting documents prepared for the REA application to incorporate the proposed Project changes．This letter also provides an assessment of the potential for new negative effects not addressed in the initial REA supporting documentation．

## 1. Proposed Project Changes

The proposed changes are as follows:

- Use of the southern portion of the Project location for construction laydown areas, or temporary stockpiling of excess native materials resulting from site grading.
- Relocation of the transmission line approximately 50 m south from the public right-of-way onto private lands.
- Use of the previously identified area of archaeological concern along the northern boundary of the Project location.

It should be noted that Project reports, including the natural heritage and water body assessments, considered that the full Project location would be used, including the lands in the southern portion of the Project location.

Table 1.1 provides a description of each proposed change, the rationale for the change, an assessment of potential for altered environmental effects and any additional mitigation or monitoring required.

Table 1.1 Table of Proposed Changes, Rationale for Change, Altered Effects and Additional Mitigation Measures and Monitoring

| Change | Change Details | Rationale for Change | Altered Effect | Additional <br> Mitigation <br> Required | Additional Environmental Effects Monitoring |
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| Use of the southern portion of the Project location | Portions of the southern part of the Project location may be cleared for construction laydown areas, or stockpiling of excess native materials resulting from site grading | Discussions with the Engineering <br> Procurement and Construction (EPC) Contractor have indicated a desire to be able to use this area for laydown of construction materials. In addition, detailed geotechnical reports have identified peat across the Project location, which will need to be removed in order to permit construction. This will be temporarily stockpiled in the southern portion of the Project location. | Use of this area was previously considered within the various Project reports, outside of the archaeological assessment. No archaeological features were found during the course of the investigations and no additional survey work is required. | N/A | N/A |
| Use of the area of archaeological concern along the northern boundary of the Project | The area of archaeological concern was previously to be protected by a setback, however now a Stage 3 assessment | The area will be used for temporary construction laydown. | Though this area was previously shown on Project mapping as outside of the Project location, this area was assessed as part of site | N/A | N/A |


| Change | Change Details | Rationale for Change | Altered Effect | Additional Mitigation Required | Additional Environmental Effects Monitoring |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | was completed. |  | investigations and there would be no change in impacts to identified natural heritage or water body features. The results of the Stage 3 assessment were that the area was of no further cultural heritage value or interest and should not be subject to Stage 4 mitigation. |  |  |
| Relocation of the transmission line onto private lands | The line has been relocated approximately 50 m south | Relocating the line will result in a decrease in the amount of overhead line required for the Project by allowing the line to run straight from the transformer substation to the switchyard at the connection point. | There are no new natural heritage features or waterbodies found in or within 120 m of this revised location that were not previously assessed. No archaeological features were found during the course of the investigations and no additional survey work is required. | None | None |

As noted above, there are no additional net negative environmental effects.
Additional archaeological assessments were conducted in order to survey these additional areas. No archaeological findings were discovered during the course of the surveys and the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (MTCS) provided acceptance letters for these investigations (Appendix A). Further, additional project documentation was provided to the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (Appendix B).

Based on the above, the proposed changes are determined to be Project Design Changes (Minor).

## 2. Summary of Revisions to REA Supporting Documents

This section identifies the amendments to each of the supporting documents submitted with the original REA Application that are required to address the proposed Project changes.

In order to assess the archaeological potential, additional archaeological assessment reports were completed, as listed below:

- Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment for Long Lake Solar Project (Additional Lands) - Solar Switching Station Part of Lot 2 \& 3, Concession 8, Town of Calder, District of Cochrane, Ontario dated November 12, 2013.
- Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment for Long Lake Solar Project - Solar Switching Station Part of Lot 1 \& 28, Concessions 8 \& 9, Town of Calder, District of Cochrane, Ontario - dated September 16, 2013.
- Stage 3 Site-Specific Archaeological Assessment of Historic Site DgHi-1, Northland Power Long Lake Solar Project, Part Lot 2, Concession 8, Township of Calder, District of Cochrane, Ontario.

These reports are provided under separate cover.
As previously mentioned, the REA supporting documents assessed the southern portion of the Project location. Therefore, revisions as a result of this proposed change are limited to the site layout. This change, as well as other documentation requires changes to the following reports are required:

- Construction Plan Report
- Design and Operations Report
- Water Body Assessment Documentation
- Natural Heritage Assessment Documentation.

Several studies do not require any revisions, these include the following:

- Decommissioning Plan Report
- Protected Properties Assessment
- Noise Assessment Study
- Project Description Report
- Previous Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessments.

The following sections identify the amendments to each of the REA supporting documents as a result of the proposed Project changes. For each amended report, a table is provided identifying the original text, the amended text and the original page and section of the text being amended. The tables provide the text submitted with the original REA application, the application to amend the REA and the most recent revisions in response to the currently proposed Project changes.

### 2.1 Construction Plan Report

Table 2.1 identifies the amendments to the Construction Plan Report, as a result of the changes discussed in this letter.

## Table 2.1 Construction Plan Report Amendments

| Page | Section | Original Text | Amended Text |
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| 27 | Appendix A | Site Layout | Revised Site Layout (Appendix B of this report) |

### 2.2 Design and Operations Report

Table 2.2 identifies the amendments to the Design and Operations Report, as a result of the changes discussed in this letter.

Table 2.2 Design and Operations Report Amendments

| Page | Section | Original Text | Amended Text |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 21 | Appendix A | Site Layout | Revised Site Layout (Appendix B of this report). |

### 2.3 Water Body Records Review Report

Table 2.3 identifies the amendments to the Water Body Records Review Report, as a result of the changes discussed in this letter.

Table 2.3 Water Body Records Review Report Amendments

| Page | Section | Original Text | Revised Text |
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| 5 | Figure 1.1 | Figure | Revised Figure 1.1 (Appendix D of this report) |

### 2.4 Water Body Site Investigation Report

Table 2.4 identifies the amendments to the Water Body Site Investigation Report, as a result of the changes discussed in this letter.

Table 2.4 Water Body Site Investigation Report Amendments

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| 5 | Figure 1.1 | Figure | Revised Text |

### 2.5 Water Body Environmental Impact Study Report

Table 2.5 identifies the amendments to the Water Body Environmental Impact Study, as a result of the changes discussed in this letter.

Table 2.5 Water Body Environmental Impact Study Amendments

| Page | Section | Original Text | Revised Text |
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| 5 | Figure 1.1 | Figure | Revised Figure 1.1 (Appendix E of this report) |
| 32 | Appendix A | Site Layout | Revised Site Layout (Appendix B of this report). |

### 2.6 Natural Heritage Assessment Documentation

Correspondence was provided to the MNR with respect to the proposed changes and potential impacts on the Natural Heritage Assessment and Environmental Impact Study documentation. A copy of this correspondence is attached (Appendix C). A response from the MNR has not been received to date, however once a response is received this will be provided to MOE as supplemental information relating to this application.

Agatha Garcia-Wright, Director Ministry of the Environment December 17, 2013

### 2.7 Archaeological Assessment Reports

Additional archaeological assessments have been completed for this Project, as identified in Section 2.
These reports concluded that no archaeological resources were discovered during the surveys and no additional surveys are required. These reports are provided under separate covers, along with the acceptance letters provided by the MTCS to date (Appendix A). An acceptance letter for the Stage 3 work has not been received to date, however this is not required for the amendment to the Renewable Energy Approval.

### 2.8 Consultation

In order to ensure that the public, Aboriginal communities, and the Hunta Local Roads Board are aware of the proposed changes, we propose, once confirmed by MOE, to notify these stakeholders via letter of the proposed change to the Project.

Once you have had an opportunity to review the information contained herein, if you have any questions relating to the proposed amendment, please do not hesitate to contact me at 905-374-0701, Ext. 5280.

Yours truly,


Sean K. Male, M.Sc.
Environmental Coordinator
SM:srg
cc: J. Mulvale, Northland Power
R. Miller, Northland Power
D. Durocher, Ministry of the Environment, South Porcupine

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## Application Summary

Project Name (Project identifier to be used as a reference in correspondence)
Long Lake Solar Project

Project Description Summary
This summary should refiect the description in the documents upon which consultation has been completed and ff it does nat the difference shouid be highlighted) The proposed facility is a 10 MW solar generating faciitity located within the unorganized Township of Calder. The project will generate electricity using photovoltaic panels mounted on fixed racking structures, with in-ground foundations. Electricity generated by solar photovoltaic panels will be converted from direct current to alternating current by an inverter, and subsequently stepped-up (via transformer) to 115 kV prior to being connected to the transmission system. Other project components include access roads, a control building and site fencing.
This amendment is being submitted in order to use the southern portion of the Project area for construction lay down areas, relocation of the transmission line from the public right of way onto private lands and use of the previously identified archaeological area of concern for the Project.


Summary:

| Type of Application <br> Amendment to REA 8430-9AEQ6M | Type of Renewabie Energy Generation Facility <br> Solar Photo Voltaic Class 3. <br> Total Maximum Name Plate Capacity <br> 10 MW <br> Total Expected Generation Capacity <br> 10 MW <br>  |
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(7) 1.7 Applicant tuformation (Owner of worksfacilig)


Business Acitity Description (a description of the business endeavour, this may include producis sold, services provided or machinerylequipment used, etc.)

## Nothland Power specializes in the development and operation of renewable energy facilties, including

 solar power projects.1.2 Applicamt Physical Address

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| Same as Applicant Physical Address? | [3 Yes प No (ff nu, plaese provide site adaress informanion below) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Civic Address - Street information (oivion 30 St. Clair Avenue West | bering and street | number, name, type and direction) | Unit Identifier (ie. apartment number) 12 th Floor |
| Dellvery Designator | Delivery ldenifiter Postal Station |  |  |
| Municipality /Unorganized Township Toronto | ProvincelState <br> Ontario Country <br> Carada Posial Code <br> MaV 3A1   |  |  |

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t, the undersigned hereby dectare that, to the best of my knowledge:

* The information contained herein is complete and accurate in every way and 1 am aware of the penaties against providing false information as per s.184(2) of the Environmental Protection Act.
* I understand that by submiting this form, 1 am guaranteeing the compleieness and accuracy of all the information provided on this form and includea in the dratt reporis. Failure to submit the correct information will result in an incomplete application being retumed.
- The Project Technical information Contact idenitied below is authorized to act on my behalf for the purpose of obiaining approval under seciion 47.3 of the EPA tor the Progect idenified herein.

| Name of Signing Authority (please print) Jim Muvale | Titte <br> Manager, EH\&S |  |
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| Telephone Number (including area cade \& extension) (647)288-1273 ext. | Fax Number (including area code) $(416) 962-6266$ | E-mail Address <br> Immulvale@northiandpower.ca |
| Mobile Number (incluaing area code) $(416) 662-1437$ | $\text { Signature } \mathrm{f}: \times 2$ | Date (ym/d) $2013 / 12 / 20$ |

## Section 2: Project Information

2.1 Application Type

Type of Application:


### 2.2 Statement of Project Technical Information Contact

Is the Project Technical Information Contact the same as the Applicant (identified in Section 1)? $\square$ Yes the undersigned hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge: $\quad$ No

- The information contained herein and the information submitted in support of this application (electronically and in hard copy) is complete and accurate in every way and I am aware of the penalties against providing false information as per s. 184(2) of the Environmental Protection Act.
- I understand that by submitting this form, lam guaranteeing the completeness and accuracy of this form and the draft documents. Failure to submit the correct information will result in the application being refurned as incomplete.
- That the information contained in the electronically submitted application form is the same as the information submitted in the hard copy submission.
- I have used the most recent application form (as obtained from the "publications" section of the Ministry of the Environment website at www.ene gov.on.ca or from the Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch at 1-800-461-6290)

| Name of Project Technical Information Contact Sean Male |  | Company |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Hatch |  |
| Telephone Number (include area code \& ext.) $\text { (905)374-0701 ext. } 5280$ | Fax Number (include area code) (905)374-1157 | Mobile Number (include area code) | E-mail Address smale@hatch.ca |
| Signature (hard copy submission MUST be signed) |  |  |  |
| Address information: <br> Same as Applicant Mailing Address? <br> Yes <br> No (If no, please provide technical information contact address information below) |  |  |  |
| Civic Address - Street information (civic numbering and street information including street number, name, type and direction) 4342 Queen Street <br> Unit Identifier (i.e. apartment number) <br> Suite 500 |  |  |  |
| Delivery Designator | Delivery identifier | Postal Station |  |
| Municipality /Unorganized Township Province/State <br> Niagara Falls Ontario |  | Country <br> Canada | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Postal Code } \\ & \text { L2E } 7 \mathrm{~J} 7 \end{aligned}$ |



| Wind Facility | Biofuel / Biogas / Other II | Anaerobic Digestion Facility | Thermal Treatment Facility | Solar Photo Voltaic Facility |
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| $\square$ Class 3 | $\square$ Biogas | $\square$ Class 2 | $\square$ Class 2 |  |
| $\square$ Class 4 | $\square$ Other | $\square$ Class 3 | $\square$ Class 3 |  |
| $\square$ Class 5 | If other, please describe: |  |  |  |

2.5 Generation of Electricity

| Total Maximum Name Plate Capacity | Total Expected Generation Capacity |  |
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| 10 | MW ( $1 \mathrm{MW}=1000 \mathrm{~kW} / 1 \mathrm{~kW}=0.001 \mathrm{MW})$ | 10 |

## Section 3: Site Information

3.1 Project Location - (the site/location where project will be located)

3.2 Municipal or local authority Information - (List all municipal or board authorities where the project is located)


## 3．3 Site Information－（information about the site／location where project will be located）



Is the Applicant the operating authority of the facility that is the subject of this application？
Х Yes $\quad$ No If ino，please attact the operating authority name，address and phone number
Is the Project location in the area of the Niagara Escarpment Plan？Yes
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No

Is the Project location in the area subject to the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan？
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Yes
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No

Is the Project location in the Protected Countryside as shown in Schedule 1 to the Greenbelt Belt Plan？
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Yes
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Is the Project location in the Lake Simcoe Watershed as defined in the Lake Simcoe Protection Act， 2008 ？
$\square$ Yes
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No

Is the Project location in the Central Pickering Development Planning Area as shown in Schedule 1 to the Central Pickering Development Plan？
$\square$ Yes $\triangle$ No
Has an Archaeological Report（s．22）been prepared as part of the complete submission？
X Yes $\square$ No

Has a Hertage Report（s．23）been prepared as part of the complete submission？Yes
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No

Has an Environmental Impact Study Report（s．38，s． 41 or s．43）been prepared as part of the complete submission？
$\boxtimes$ Yes $\square$ No
Has a Water body Report（s．39，s． $40, \mathrm{~s} .44 \mathrm{~s} .45$ ）been prepared as part of the complete submission？
Х Yes $\square$ No

## Section 4: Required Documents - Table 1 of the Regulation

4.1 Supporting Information Checklist - This is a list of all supporting information to this application and is subject to the FOIPPA and EBR.

|  | Mandatory | Attachment | Attached | Reference | Confidential* (V) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\star$ | Yes | Proof of Legal Name of Applicant | $\square$ Yes 区 No | Previously submitted in REA Application | $\square$ |
| $\star$ | Yes | A map that identifies the project location. | $\square$ Yes X No | Previously submitted in REA Application | $\square$ |
|  |  | Name, Address and Phone Number of the Operating Authority | $\square$ Yes $\triangle$ No |  | $\square$ |
|  |  | Name, Address and consent of land/site owner for the installation/construction and operation of the facility | $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No |  | $\square$ |
| $\star$ | Yes | Project Description Report | $\square$ Yes X No | Previously submitted in REA Application | $\square$ |
| * | Yes | Design and Operations Report | $\square$ Yes $\triangle$ No | Previously submitted in REA Application | $\square$ |
| $\star$ | Yes | Decommissioning Plan Report | $\square$ Yes X No | Previously submitted in REA Application | $\square$ |
| $\star$ | Yes | Construction Plan Report | $\square$ Yes X No | Previously submitted in REA Application | $\square$ |
| * | Yes | Consultation Report | $\square$ Yes X No | Previously submitted in REA Application | $\square$ |
|  |  | Development Permit under the Niagara <br> Escarpment Planning and Development Act | $\square$ Yes X No |  | $\square$ |
| * | Yes | A copy of this application has been sent to the local district office(s) | 区 Yes $\square$ No |  | $\square$ |
|  | Other Information Submitted in Support of the Application for a Renewable Energy Project |  |  |  |  |
|  | Title |  | Reference |  | Confidential* (v) |
| $\star$ | Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment |  | Long Lake Solar Pr | ject (Additional Lands) - Dated September 16, 2013 | $\square$ |
| * | Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment |  | Long Lake Solar | ject (Solar Switching) - Dated November 12, 2013 | $\square$ |
| $\star$ | Stage 3 Archaeological Assessment |  | Long Lake Solar P | ject - Historic Site DgHi-1 | $\square$ |
| * | Project Change Letter to MOE |  |  |  | $\square$ |
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|  | Are you attaching an additional list of attachments? Yes <br> No |  | If there is not enough space to list all of the attachments included in this application package, please include an additional listing of these attachments. |  | $\square$ |

*Please note: the release of information contained in application forms and documentation submitted in support of applications for approval is subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. This Act defines what may and may not be disclosed to the public, and is used to assess all requests for information contained in the documents on file with an application for approval. The information submitted with an application for approval may also be subject to the Environmental Bill of Rights. In those situations, the application and the associated non-confidential supporting documentation is made available for review by members of the public. The applicants should therefore identify all documents or portions of documents as noted above which are to be considered confidential and must provide detailed evidence in support of this claim. This evidence will be one of the factors the ministry would consider when making a decision regarding disclosure of specific documents on file.

## Appendix A <br> Correspondence from the Ontario Ministry of Tourism，Culture and Sport

Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport
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Dec 10, 2013
T. Keith Powers (P052)

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## RE: Review and Entry into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports: Archaeological Assessment Report Entitled, "Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment for Long Lake Solar Project - Solar Switching Station Part of Lot 1 \&28, Concessions 8 \&9, Town of Calder, District of Cochrane, Ontario", Dated Sep 16, 2013, Filed with MTCS Toronto Office on Nov 21, 2013, MTCS Project Information Form Number P052-453-2013, OPA Reference Number FIT-FE8GSGA

Dear Mr, Powers:
This office has reviewed the above-mentioned report, which has been submitted to this ministry as a condition of licensing in accordance with Part VI of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c 0.18. ${ }^{1}$ This review has been carried out in order to determine whether the licensed professional consultant archaeologist has met the terms and conditions of their licence, that the licensee assessed the property and documented archaeological resources using a process that accords with the 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists set by the ministry, and that the archaeological fieldwork and report recommendations are consistent with the conservation, protection and preservation of the cultural heritage of Ontario. ${ }^{2}$

The report documents the assessment of the study area as depicted in Map 3 of the above titled report and recommends the following:

The report recommends that no further archaeological assessment of the subject property is required.
Based on the information contained in the report, the ministry is satisfied that the fieldwork and reporting for the archaeological assessment are consistent with the ministry's 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists and the terms and conditions for archaeological licences. This report has been entered into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports. Please note that the ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of reports in the register.

Should you require any further information regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.
Sincerely,
Paige, Campbell
Archaeology Review Officer

## cc. Archaeology Licensing Officer Rob Miller,Northland Power

[^0]amended (Renewable Energy Approvals under the Environmental Protection Act), regarding the archaeological assessment undertaken for the above-captioned project. Depending on the study area and scope of work of the archaeological assessment as detailed in the report, further archaeological assessment reports may be required to complete the archaeological assessment for the project under O. Reg. 359/09. In that event Ministry comments pursuant to section 22 of O . Reg. 359/09 will be required for any such additional reports.
${ }^{2}$ In no way will the ministry be liable for any harm, damages, costs, expenses, losses, claims or actions that may result: (a) if the Report(s) or its recommendations are discovered to be inaccurate, incomplete, misleading or fraudulent; or (b) from the issuance of this letter. Further measures may need to be taken in the event that additional artifacts or archaeological sites are identified or the Report(s) is otherwise found to be inaccurate, incomplete, misleading or fraudulent.

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Archaeology Review Officer

## cc. Archaeology Licensing Officer <br> Robert Miller,Northland Power <br> Ramona Afante,Ministry of the Environment

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Appendix B
Site Layout


## Appendix C

Correspondence with the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources

December 12, 2013

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Dear Ms. Telford:

## Subject: Northland Power Solar Long Lake L.P. - Revision to the Project layout

Northland Power Solar Long Lake L.P. is commencing construction of the 10-MW Long Lake Solar Project north of the community of Hunta, Ontario. The Natural Heritage Assessment and Environmental Impact Study documents were previously provided to the Cochrane District office of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) for review. A confirmation letter with respect to that assessment was received from the MNR on April 18, 2012 with respect to the Project.

Since that time, detailed design of the Project has identified a need to make two minor modifications to the proposed undertaking, discussed separately below.

## 1. Use of Southern Portion of the Project Location

Though the previously provided site plan showed that no Project activities would occur within the southern portion of the Project location, Northland has identified a need to use this area for temporary construction uses, as well as for stockpiling of excess native materials resulting from site grading activities. Though the use of this portion of the Project location was not contemplated within the site plan included in the Natural Heritage Environmental Impact Study, the mapping and text of that report considered that these lands would be used for the Project, and therefore there is no change in either the anticipated environmental effects of the project or mitigation measures required. A revised site plan is provided as Attachment A for your records.

## 2. Location of Transmission Line

The location of the transmission line from the Project to the switchyard was initially proposed to occur within the road right-of-way along the south side of Concession $8 \& 9$ Calder. Since that time, Northland has determined that in order to minimize the extent of line required, they would prefer to run the line approximately 50 m south of the road right of way, in a straight line from the Project substation to the

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switchyard. This change is shown on a revised figure showing the significant natural heritage features in the area, provided as Attachment B.

This area was previously considered during the Project site investigations, and the relocation of the line will not result in construction in or within 120 m of any previously unidentified natural features. As a result, the sole change with respect to natural heritage features will be the relocation of the line within the wetland community. In order to minimize any impacts on the provincially significant wetland, construction and maintenance of the line will be timed, wherever possible, to occur during the winter months when ground conditions are frozen and the potential for damage to the underlying wetland vegetation communities is reduced. The relocation of the line will result in a potential environmental benefit to avian communities by reducing the amount of overhead line, and therefore associated collision risk found with the Project.

Please advise if you required any further information with respect to this proposed change to the Project. If acceptable, we would request that you provide some form of written correspondence that can be included with our application to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment for an amendment to the Renewable Energy Approval for the Project.

Sincerely,


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## Attachment(s)

Attachment A - Revised Site Plan
Attachment $B$ - Figure showing the locations of significant natural features in relation to the Project location
cc: R. Miller, Northland Power



## Appendix D

Figure 1.1 from the Water Body Records Review Report


## Appendix E

Figure 1.1 from the Water Body Site Investigation Report and Environmental Impact Study



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