

March 10th, 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

## RE: Project Update and Notice of Environmental Assessment for the Wedgeport Wind Farm Project

I'm writing on behalf of Wedgeport Wind Farm Limited Partnership ("Wedgeport Wind") to provide a project update and share information on the Wedgeport Wind Farm Project ("the Project"), including notice of an upcoming Environmental Assessment public comment period. Wedgeport Wind has submitted our Environmental Assessment Registration Document to Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Climate Change (NSECC) for registration on March 15<sup>th</sup>, which will initiate a 30-day public review and comment period.

Wedgeport Wind is a partnership between Sipekne'katik First Nation, Elemental Energy Renewables Inc., and Stevens Wind Ltd. Wedgeport Wind combines Indigenous values, local knowledge and responsible resource stewardship with industry leading experience developing, constructing, and operating renewable energy projects in Atlantic Canada and across Canada.

The Project is located along Nova Scotia's South Shore, within the Municipal District of Argyle and adjacent to the communities of Wedgeport, Comeaus Hill, Little River Harbour, and near the Acadia First Nation. In August 2022 the Project was awarded a power purchase agreement with Nova Scotia Power to supply Nova Scotians with 80 MW of clean, renewable energy under Nova Scotia's recently announced a Rate Base Procurement (RBP). The purpose of the RBP was to procure ~350 MW of wind energy to assist the province in getting closer to the 80% target of renewable energy and support the province's goal of achieving a 53% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 and net-zero by 2050.

Over the last two years, Wedgeport Wind has been undertaking background research, field studies, engaging with Mi'kmaq Nations, local government, and the public to characterize existing environmental conditions across the Project area and identify priority topics interest. Information collected from these activities has been used to inform the design of the Project and has been carried forward into the Project's EARD.

For more information on proposed Wedgeport Wind Farm Project and to sign up for regular project updates please visit the Projects Website (<a href="https://elementalenergy.ca/project/wedgeport-wind/">https://elementalenergy.ca/project/wedgeport-wind/</a>).

To view the Project's location, major project components, access roads and the project's layout please find a Project layout figure.

To view a digital version of the Project's EARD please visit Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change Website ( <a href="https://www.novascotia.ca/nse/ea/">https://www.novascotia.ca/nse/ea/</a>)

Hardcopies of the Project's EARD are available for public viewing at the following locations:

- Royal Canadian Legion Branch 155 24 Corporon Road, Wedgeport
- Municipality of the District of Argyle 5 Rue J.E. Hatfield Court, Tusket
- Department of Environment and Climate Change Regional Office 55 Starrs Road, Unit 9, Yarmouth

Should you wish to meet with Wedgeport Wind team to discuss the Project, please don't hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely

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