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Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
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Subject: Prince Township Natural Gas Expansion Project File # EB 2015 0179

The Ontario Energy Board has requested that Batchewana First Nation and Union Gas (the "Parties") report on any progress that has occurred since intervenor status was granted to Batchewana First Nation in the Prince Township Natural Gas Expansion Project (the "Project") process.

Batchewana First Nation can now confirm that Union Gas and the First Nation have reached agreement on how to deal with a range of issues including:

1. Completion of a Peer Review of key documents that have been provided to the First Nation by Union Gas. This review will be completed no later than September 13 2017;
2. Development of remediation strategies that arise as a result of the peer review and to have those concluded and agreed to as part of the construction planning process;
3. Agreement on the use of an Archaeological Monitor during construction activities in the area where Batchewana First Nation feels that there is an increased risk of finding or disturbing the cultural resources of the First Nation;
4. Access to business and employment opportunities for members of Batchewana First Nation who are qualified and available to work during the proposed construction period; and
5. Negotiate a permit for accessing the Original Reserve of Batchewana First Nation, which will be completed in due course and will form part of the long-term documentation between Union Gas and the First Nation.

The Parties will continue their discussion on the use of an environmental monitor by Batchewana First Nation and will reach an agreement on integrating this position into the construction planning process.



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The Parties have also pledged to enter into a separate agreement to cover a wide range of additional issues that do not impact the Prince Township Expansion project.

Given that the Parties have reached these understandings, and given that Batchewana First Nation is satisfied that Union Gas has met its obligations to engage, accommodate and garner Batchewana First Nation's permission, we agree that, subject to the Ministry of Energy fulfilling the Province's Duty to Consult, the Prince Expansion Project can proceed.

Should you have any questions or comments on this letter, please feel free to contact me (705) 759-0914 x 202.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dean Sayers', written over a horizontal line.

Chief Dean Sayers

cc: Wayne Greer, Aboriginal Business Network
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