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Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
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**Re: Application for Leave to Construct – wpd White Pines Wind Incorporated**  
**Board File No. EB-2016-0268**

As counsel for wpd White Pines Wind Incorporated in the above noted matter, I am writing in relation to the extension request granted by the Ontario Energy Board. Pursuant to the Varying Order on October 20, 2016, wpd White Pines has been making every effort to commence construction by March 31, 2017 of the aforementioned order. However, due to the ongoing appeal of our Renewable Energy Approval at the Environmental Review Tribunal that this project is currently subject to, wpd White Pines would respectfully request an additional 6 month extension to commence construction by September 29, 2017.

While an initial decision was rendered by the Environmental Review Tribunal ("ERT"), a remedy hearing was subsequently ordered and has since been completed on January 27, 2017. An email from the Case Coordinator at the ERT is attached outlining the final schedule. During our final submissions, counsel requested an expedited decision to which the Tribunal advised they would do their best provide in a timely fashion. With this extension, wpd White Pines will commence construction immediately after receiving the decision from the ERT.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,



Jameel A. Baasit  
Legal Counsel

wpd White Pines Wind Incorporated.

Appendix "A"- Revised Schedule

Task Name	Date
<b>OEB/REA Process:</b>	
REA Application	30-Nov-2009
Submit Section 92 LTC Application to OEB	18-Sept-2013
Obtain Section 92 Approval	19-March-2015
Obtain REA	16-July-2015
Anticipated Decision of REA appeal	April-2017
<b>Estimated Dates For:</b>	
Installation of Collector Lines	Third/Fourth Quarter 2017 First Quarter 2018
Installation of Transmission Lines	Third/Fourth Quarter 2017 First Quarter 2018
Commercial Operation	Third Quarter 2018

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**Importance:** High

Good Afternoon Counsel and Parties,

The Tribunal has considered the submissions of the parties regarding the schedule of the remainder of the hearing and directs the parties to adhere to the following schedule:

**As per the Tribunal's Order of November 14, 2016**

- cross-examinations are to be completed by November 25, 2016
- Transcripts of cross-examinations are to be served and filed by December 2, 2016
- Any further motions are to be filed by November 25, 2016
  - o with responses filed by November 29, 2016
  - o and reply by November 30, 2016
- Final written submissions
  - o from wpd and the Director are to be filed by January 6, 2017
  - o from APPEC and Mr. Hirsch by January 20, 2017
  - o and reply by January 27, 2017
- Oral submissions to be heard in Prince Edward County on January 27, 2017

Sincerely,

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