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Proponent : Imperial Oil Limited

Subject : Status Update on Cultural Heritage Assessment Report

Project : Waterdown to Finch Project

Location : 63-kilometre pipeline from the City of Hamilton to the City of Toronto

Dear Ms. Malone:

On May 22, 2018 the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries (MHSTCI) received notice of the project from Imperial Oil Limited, The ministry responded on May 30, 2018, advising the proponent that a Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (CHAR) should be undertaken to inform the project and submitted to MHSTCI for review, with the conclusions and recommendations of the CHAR to be incorporated by the proponent in the environmental report (ER).

This is to inform you that, although the *Waterdown to Finch Project Environmental Report* (ERM Consultants Canada Ltd., February 2019) contains references to a cultural heritage report being prepared, we have yet to receive a copy for our review. We assume the document referenced is the above-noted CHAR.

I note that Imperial Oil has requested to meet with us to discuss the CHAR. We welcome this opportunity to be of service, but we will not be in a position to provide technical advice until we have reviewed the document, which we have requested on more than one occasion.

As you know, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) is conducting hearings on an application for Leave to Construct related to this project. We hope to provide comments on both the ER and associated CHAR as soon as possible.

If you can provide an electronic copy of the CHAR, at your earliest convenience, we would be grateful. Upon completing our prompt review of the document, we will look forward to meeting with you and your consultants in the interest of supporting you in this undertaking.

Regards,

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