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April 12, 2017

Mr. David Coon, MLA  
Leader of the Third Party  
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96 St. John Street  
Fredericton, New Brunswick

Dear Mr. Coon:

Enclosed is a copy of the response to your Petition 24 which was tabled in the Legislature on March 24, 2017.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "D. Forestell", is written above the typed name.

 Donald J. Forestell  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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Enclosure

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April 7, 2017

Mr. Donald Forestell  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly  
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Mr. Forestell:

This letter is in response to Petition 24 concerning the bulk petroleum storage facility proposed by Michaud Petroleum in the Local Service District of Big River, New Brunswick. The petition was tabled in the legislature by Mr. Coon on March 24, 2017.

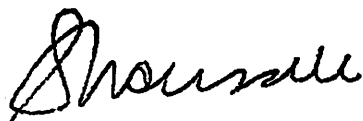
In New Brunswick, the construction of petroleum product storage facilities is regulated under the *Petroleum Product Storage and Handling Regulation* under the *Clean Environment Act*. This regulation requires proponents to obtain a Site Approval and an Environmental Approval from the Minister of Environment and Local Government. The application for these approvals requires the submission of engineered plans to ensure that the facility is constructed in such a way that there is no risk to the environment. To date, no application has been submitted to the Department for the construction of such a project in the Big River area.

Additionally, according to a March 28, 2017 report on Radio-Canada, Michaud Petroleum president, Hermel Michaud, said that the company no longer plans to store petroleum in this area at this time. A link to the report can be found at the following web address:

<http://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1024820/projet-reservoir-petrole-fait-reagir-citoyen-big-river-pres-bathurst>.

If you should have any further questions or concerns related to the above or require additional information, please contact Mr. Timothy LeBlanc, P.Eng., Manager of Permitting North at 447-0419 or by email at [timothy.leblanc@gnb.ca](mailto:timothy.leblanc@gnb.ca).

Sincerely,



Hon. Serge Rousselle, Q.C.  
Minister

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