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Ms. Megan Mitton, MLA
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Dear Ms. Mitton:

Enclosed is a copy of the response to your Petition 6, which was tabled in the Legislature on March 28, 2019.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Donald J. Forestell'.

Donald J. Forestell
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Enclosure

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April 5, 2019

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

This letter is in response to Petition 6, calling for the prevention of a proposed quarry on PID 70075304. The petition was tabled in the legislature by Ms. Mitton on March 28, 2019.

The Department of Environment and Local Government received an application for an Approval to Operate from Bowers' Construction Ltd. on November 29, 2018 regarding the development of the British Settlement Quarry on PID 70075304. Supporting documents accompanying the application included a blast monitoring plan, contingency plan, hydrogeological study, and land owner & consent forms. The application also included information on wetland and potable well setbacks, dust control initiatives, and the final operational perimeter.

In order to operate a quarry in the Province of New Brunswick, an Approval to Operate must be obtained from the Department. These Approvals contain terms and conditions that the proponent must adhere to. These terms and conditions are intended to address potential nuisance issues such as noise, vibrations, dust, odour and site runoff being generated by quarrying activities. If approved, there would be conditions limiting blasting operation times at the quarry.

The proposed quarry is a permitted (conditional use – subject to terms and conditions) under the Tantramar Planning Area Rural Plan – *Community Planning Act*. The Southeast Regional Service Commission Planning Review and Adjustment Committee (PRAC) approved the proposed quarry (subject to terms and conditions including obtaining an

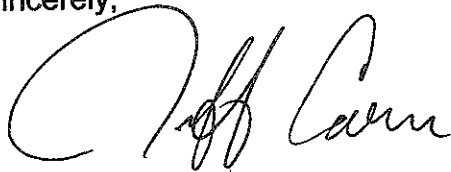
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Approval to Operate from the Department). The Planning Review and Adjustment Committee has the authority under the *Community Planning Act* to decide on the proposal and impose terms and conditions. If the proponent can meet all the required terms and conditions and obtain all required permits and approvals, the quarry is permitted to operate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Carr". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "C".

Hon. Jeff Carr
Minister

C. Marc Léger, EIT, Department of Environment and Local Government
Paul Jordan, Provincial Planning Director, Department of Environment and Local Government