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Steve Chapman, Panel Manager
Whites Point Quarry and Marine Terminal Project - Joint Review Panel
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## Dear Mr. Chapman:

I am the Chair of the Community Liaison Committee that was established under the direction of the Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Labour for the 3.9 hectare quarry at the Whites Point site. From the beginning, August 2002, the proponents have shared with our committee their plans and proposals for the larger project. There have been fourteen meetings which were all advertized and open to the general public.

The committee has a broad representation of the Neck communities and various sectors of the economy. The proponents have, at our request, shared with our committee a great deal of their research associated with the development of their site. The proponents have covered the cost of a secretary, meeting space rental and refreshments.

We have had presentations from:

Mr. Bob Petrie, District Manager, NSDEL

Mr. & Mrs. John Johnson, Property Owners

Mr. John Wall, Quarry Manager

Dwayne Hogg & David MacFarlane of Jacques Whitford Claire Carver & Andre Mallet of Mallet Research Services

Dr. Charles Watrell-Archeologist

Scott Carr, Jasco Limited

We have made requests of the proponents for presentation on various issues that were brought to our attention. They have responded positively to all our information requests to date.

We understand that Bilcon has surrendered the 3.9 hectare permit. However on November 24<sup>th</sup> the committee met with Kristy Herron, Communications and Paul Buxton, Project Manager of Bilcon and indicated that we would like to continue meeting through the Panel Process. Bilcon has agreed

to continue to interact with us as they have in the past. Further they have agreed to cover the costs of our meetings, postage and our secretary.

## Current committee Members are:

Mrs. Cindy Nesbitt, Business owner-Centreville-Digby Neck

Ms. Christine Harnish, Real Estate Broker, Sandy Cove Resident

Ms. Linda Graham, Tourism operator

Ms. Judy Carty, Resident Gulliver's Cove-Digby Neck

Mr. Mark Jeffrey, Lobsterman, Little River, Digby Neck

Mr. John Ivens, Private Contractor/fisherman, Tiverton

Mr. Brian Cullen, CAO-Municipality of the County of Digby

We feel that we have a valuable role in this process as we believe that we have been the only impartial voice associated with this development. Our committee has members that are opposed to the project, members that are supportive of the project and persons who are objectively interested in this process.

We would respectfully request that our group be registered as an interested party and that we have access to the Panel information and documents.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Cindy Nesbitt

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Chair