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Whites Point Quarry and Marine Terminal Project – Joint Review Panel
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Attn: Mr. Robert Fournier, Chair

Dear Mr. Fournier:

Re: Submittal of EIS

Thank you for your letter dated 31 March 2005 and the enclosed final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Guidelines for the Whites Point Quarry and Marine Terminal Project.

We have reviewed the Guidelines and have made a preliminary estimate of the time required to complete the EIS. It is our current view that we will require a period of six months to complete the EIS but we intend to provide you with an update on our progress on August 1, 2005. At that time, we would expect to be able to provide you with a more precise date for submittal.

Respectfully submitted,

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