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Nancy Vanstone  
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Government of Nova Scotia  
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Dear Deputy Minister:

Thank you for your letter of January 14, 2008.

We understand that your notes differ dramatically from our careful notes of the conversation with the Minister and subsequently with you on November 20, 2007. When we spoke on that day, I understood that I would subsequently hear from Ms. Roberts, Manager of the Environmental Assessment Group. I understood that she would call to set up a meeting that would include you and other officials from your department. In the telephone conversations that day, you and the Minister committed to full discussions with us regarding the Whites Point Quarry decision.

We believe the Minister and you when either of you make commitments to us. We therefore have to believe that your notes of our conversation are not as precise as our notes and, that given the opportunity, you would be happy to honour your government's commitment to meet with us to discuss the Whites Point Quarry decision.

A substantive meeting with you and your officials remains a priority for us. We believe that a meeting would be very beneficial. We very much want to meet so we can better understand the process and the Whites Point Quarry decision.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Paul G. Buxton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Paul G. Buxton, P. Eng.