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RE: Groundwater Monitoring Program for RE Orillia 2 Solar Project

Project East ½ Part of Lot 8, Concession 13  
Location: Oro-Medonte Township, County of Simcoe, Ontario

Dear Shannon:

RE Orillia 2 ULC believes the water issues with solar projects are very unlikely and if experienced are due to a unique combination of geography, hydrology, and weather. Nonetheless we are sensitive to the public concerns and propose the following groundwater monitoring program.

RE Orillia 2 ULC agrees to adopt the recommendation by the Ministry of the Environment in its memorandum of February 4, 2011, forwarded by N. Matthews (attached) to put in place a water quality assessment and monitoring program. Known herein as the Program, RE Orillia 2 ULC will contact all owners of wells within 500 m of the project prior to the commencement of construction activities and seek permission to undertake a water quality survey. If permission is granted, then we will:

1. Interview the residents regarding well construction, groundwater quality, groundwater quantity and well locations to establish a history of the water well.
2. Collect a water well sample from the well after allowing the distribution system to flow for approximately 5 minutes. The sample will be collected prior to any treatment systems ("raw").
3. Submit the water sample for analysis to a qualified laboratory. The analysis will consist of the "subdivision suite" (alkalinity, ammonia, bacteria, calcium, chloride, colour, conductivity, DOC, hardness, iron, magnesium, manganese, nitrite, nitrate, pH, potassium, sodium, sulphate, TDS and turbidity).
4. Establish a contingency plan by a qualified person.

The groundwater monitoring program will be conducted under the supervision of a qualified person (P.Eng. or P.Geo.). The survey information will be summarized in a report by a qualified person and a copy will be forwarded to the Ministry.

In the event that a complaint arises against construction activities, RE Orillia 2 ULC will repeat the survey at the complainant's residence. The water samples will be submitted as "high priority" to a qualified laboratory. If a problem is confirmed related to our construction activities, then we will immediately provide bottled water to the impacted party and implement the contingency plan. The Ministry of Environment will be notified of any complaints, valid or invalid, and of our actions to address the complaints.

The Program will remain in place for two years from the start of project construction.

The costs of the Program will be carried by RE Orillia 2 ULC.

In addition, RE Orillia 2 ULC will work with the local Ministry officials to evaluate alternative water monitoring programs for effectiveness, practicality, and possible implementation.

We wish to thank the Ministry of the Environment for helping us proactively address this issue of public concern and for providing key inputs to the details of the testing and monitoring program. We look forward to being part of these communities for a long time as good neighbors and responsible corporate partners.

Sincerely,



Robert Leah