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RE: Commitment to Avoidance and Protection of 25 archaeological sites within the limits of an Aggregate Resource Act Licence, Law Crushed Stone Quarry Extension, Parts of Lots 6-7, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Wainfleet, Welland County, Township of Wainfleet, Regional Municipality of Niagara, Ontario.

Waterford Sand and Gravel Limited will proceed with an application for an ARA licence which will include the following archaeological sites:AfGt-294, AfGt-261, AfGt-262, AfGt-281, AfGt-293, AfGt-284, AfGt-242, AfGt-239, AfGt-23, AfGt-245, AfGt-248, AfGt-241, AfGt-256, AfGt-257, AfGt-259, AfGt-22, AfGt-321, AfGt-322, AfGt-327, AfGt-328, AfGt-326, AfGt-263, AfGt-264 and AfGt-274 that are to remain permanently protected within the licensed limits. These sites are located within the ARA Licence, but outside of the permitted limit of extraction. We commit to the following long-term avoidance and protection measures for these archaeological sites:

- a) The protected areas of these archaeological sites, including the associated 20-metre protection buffers, are shown on the Aggregate Resource Act site plan accompanying the licence application. These protected site areas correspond to those as shown on Figures 8 and 9 in the Supplementary Documentation to this report;
- b) A condition is included on the Aggregate Resource Act site plan stating that archaeological sites AfGt-294, AfGt-261, AfGt-262, AfGt-281, AfGt-293, AfGt-284, AfGt-242, AfGt-239, AfGt-23, AfGt-245, AfGt-248, AfGt-241, AfGt-256, AfGt-257, AfGt-259, AfGt-22, AfGt-321, AfGt-322, AfGt-317, AfGt-327, AfGt-328, AfGt-326, AfGt-263, AfGt-264 and AfGt-274 are permanently protected and that no extraction, alterations or soil disturbance may be carried out within the limits of the protected area of the archaeological sites; that post and wire fencing will be erected along the limits of the 20-metre protective buffers under the direction of the licensed consultant archaeologist; that monitoring is required within the further 50-metre construction monitoring buffers; and, that when the Aggregate Resource Act licence is surrendered that a restrictive covenant will be placed on title to continue the protection of the archaeological sites.

We confirm that we are aware of the presence of the archaeological sites within the limits of the Aggregate Resource Act licence and of the restrictions on alteration of any archaeological site of further cultural heritage value or interest as per the Aggregate Resource Act site plan conditions and as per Section 48 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Thank you,

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