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SENT VIA EMAIL

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Mr. Paris,

I understand there has been some misunderstanding about the conclusion and recommendation I made regarding the lack of need for further archaeological assessment of the Georgian Glen property. The evaluation of archaeological potential I made in the November 14, 2016, report was based on nearly four decades of archaeological investigations across Grey and Bruce counties, including a number of projects along the Georgian Bay shoreline from Collingwood to Tobermory.

In the November 14 assessment I suggested that while a formal Stage 2 shovel test-pit property investigation was unjustified, a several-hour visual inspection could document and support my declaration of the property's culturally-inhospitable landscape. Two site inspections were made accompanied by WSP and SON personnel – November 21 and December 1, 2016. Nothing observed on either visit changed my evaluation of the archaeological potential (i.e., lack of potential) for the presence of Aboriginal or Euro-Canadian cultural resources.

The Saugeen Ojibway Nation supported then, and continues to support my conclusion that there is no justification or need to conduct a Stage 2 property investigation in this particular location.

If you need further clarification do not hesitate to contact myself or Doran Ritchie at the Saugeen Ojibway Nation Environment Office

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