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Jocelyne Beaudet
Chairperson
BAPE Panel

**RE: Hearings on Cartier wind power projects –
Anse-à-Valleau and Baie-des-Sables**

Dear Mme Beaudet,

As confirmed to Mme Méthot by telephone, the representatives of our Mi'gmaq clients of the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government cannot be present at this afternoon's hearing.

They again ask for your understanding and cooperation to make sure the Aboriginal population can participate effectively. Therefore, you are authorized and requested to pose for them the following questions to the government and proponent representatives with respect to both Cartier projects:


1. What research or meetings have you conducted to verify the territory, Aboriginal rights and title and treaty rights of the Mi'gmaq in relation to these projects and the state of relevant negotiations on territory, rights and access to resources of the Mi'gmaq ?
2. What measures have you taken to consult the Mi'gmaq regarding the impact of these projects on the exercise of their Aboriginal rights and title and treaty rights and on their economic development ?

3. What measures have you taken to ensure the accommodation of the Mi'gmaq in the government decision-making to launch the development of wind power in this territory and to allocate public lands and resources for that purpose ? Are these measures reflected in the allocation of lands in the public domain, the government authorization for the purchase of 1,000 MW, the criteria of the call for tenders by Hydro-Quebec, the contracts with Hydro-Quebec and the financing, building and operation of the projects by Cartier ? For example, have you considered compensation, sharing of rents and revenues, joint ventures with Mi'gmaq, set aside of wind power supply contracts or other contracting opportunities and employment for Mi'gmaqs ?
4. Please provide all documents which substantiate your answers.

We thank you for your kind assistance. If required, I can be reached at my office or on my cell phone at 514-942-9309.

Yours sincerely,

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