

May 29th, 2023

The Honourable Steven Guilbeault
Minister of Environment and Climate Change
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Dear Sir,

The Committee for the Regional Assessment of Offshore Wind Development in Nova Scotia met for its formal kick-off meeting on April 17th, 2023, approximately one month beyond the official assessment start date of March 23rd, 2023. Following the Committee's review of the Terms of Reference and recognizing the volume of work to be completed, the difficulty in organizing stakeholder engagement sessions during the summer months and the need for a review period of the draft Committee Reports, the Committee respectfully requests that the timeline be extended to an expected completion date of October 17th, 2024. This will result in an eighteen-month timeframe from the inaugural Committee meeting.

The Committee will work diligently to execute its scope of work within the allotted eighteen-month timeframe and will request any further extension of time as circumstances dictate.

Yours truly,

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