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16 February 2012

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Fraser Riverkeeper Society #303-207 West Hastings Street Vancouver, BC V6B 1H7

Re:

Submission on enforcement matters under Articles 14 and

15 of the North American Agreement on Environmental

Cooperation

Submitters:

Fraser Riverkeeper Society

Lake Ontario Waterkeeper

Ottawa Riverkeeper Fundy Baykeeper Grand Riverkeeper Georgian Baykeeper Petitcodiac Riverkeeper David Suzuki Foundation

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Georgia Strait Alliance Waterkeeper Alliance

Party:

Canada

Date received:

14 February 2012

Submission No.:

SEM-10-003 (Iona Wastewater Treatment)

Dear Submitters:

Attached please find a copy of the Government of Canada's Response to Submission SEM-10-003 (*Iona Wastewater Treatment*), received at our offices on 14 February 2012 by email.

I note that the Response includes an annexed document (Annex 5) that Canada has designated as confidential. The Secretariat will safeguard from disclosure this information, in accordance with the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation ("NAAEC") Article 39(2), and Guideline 17.2 of the Guidelines for Submissions on Enforcement Matters under Articles 14 and 15 of the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation (the "Guidelines").

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Pursuant to Article 15(1) of the NAEEC and Guideline 9.5, and in light of Canada's Response, the Secretariat will now consider whether the Submission warrants developing a factual record, and will so inform the Council and provide its reasons.

Yours sincerely,

Secretariat of the Commission for Environmental Cooperation

per:

Hugh Benevides

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Enclosure