

To: The Residents of Amherst Island
Care of: Members of the Amherst Island Wind Project
Community Working Group

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Dear Neighbours,

We wish to express our apologies for the power outage incident that occurred on the morning of Jan 21st and for the regrettable disruption this caused the residents of Amherst Island. The outage was caused when a subcontractor's backhoe accidentally made contact with the neutral conductor of the power lines. Once released by the backhoe, the displaced neutral line then made contact with a live line resulting in a ground fault that interrupted power to the island for a period of approximately 3 hours.

This was, without a doubt, not an ideal beginning to the construction phase for this project, and we are making every effort to ensure that this event is not repeated. Since the outage, we have heard from a number of residents with questions and concerns, and we have been responding to those inquiries through the project website and the CLC & CWG committees. We are open and available to answer any further questions related to this matter should more information be required. To ensure we capture and respond to your concerns, please reach out through our general email account: windlectric@amherstislandwindproject.com.

In recognition of the disruption this event has caused, Windlectric is committing a \$7,500 donation to the residents of Amherst Island. The manner in which this donation will be applied for the benefit of Amherst Islanders will be a subject of discussion at the next CWG or CLC meeting; and we are open to suggestions from the general public on how best to utilize these funds.

Thank you again for patience and consideration and we look forward to your comments on this and all matters of interest with respect to the Amherst Island Wind Project.

Sincerely,



Tim Sullivan
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Algonquin Power Co., on behalf of Windlectric Inc.