Subject: Erin Wastewater Treatment Plant: Follow-up Questions for MECP

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Hi Joan,

Thank you for returning my call this morning! The following questions are further to the Coalition's 21 May 2021 submission, as well as the information we have received as a result of the Impact Assessment Agency's outreach to the MECP, and their attached Analysis Report.

As we discussed, I have listed the questions the Coalition would like answers to:

Commitments made in the ESR:

1. Addendum to the ESR:

- a. Has the proponent issued a Notice of Addendum?
- b. If not then why not, and when can we expect the Notice of Addendum to be issued?
- c. Will the public have an opportunity to be consulted and provide comments?

2. Additional Bird & Arborist Studies:

- a. Has the proponent completed the additional Bird and Arborist studies?
- b. The landowner (Solmar) has removed a great deal of the habitat surrounding the Project site, so what does the MECP plan to do about that?

3. Monitoring Plan:

A monitoring plan was also recommended in the Natural Environment Report (HESL, 2018) (Appendix H of the ESR (Volume 2 of 3) to assess the response of the river to the effluent discharge. "The monitoring plan will ultimately be reviewed by CVC and regulated through the ECA and should include an assessment of fisheries, benthic invertebrates and aquatic habitat with sufficient effort to allow for natural variability to be controlled and allow for a sensitive determination of any impact."

- a. Has a monitoring Plan been developed?
- b. Will the public be consulted and be provided with an opportunity to comment?
- c. Annual reporting is not sufficient we are requesting access in real time to data loggers.

3. Environmental Management Plan:

- a. What is included in the EMP?
- b. Will the public be consulted on the EMP?

Recommendations/Commitments made in IAAC Report:

- 5. The Town made this commitment: "The Proponent is committed to ongoing consultation with interested parties during project implementation."
 - a. Will MECP ensure adherence to this promise?
- 6. **Both MECP and MNRF said:** "In its concluding comments on the MEAP, MNRF suggested that given that the construction of the project, if approved, could be several years out, that **additional brook trout spawning surveys** could be carried out to identify potential changes relevant to protecting brook trout populations that

could help inform mitigation strategies."

- a. The Town talks about construction beginning this summer could this be true?
- b. Will additional Brook Trout spawning surveys be carried out?

7. Adaptive Management Plan:

MECP advised that, **Temperature and chloride monitoring, amongst other parameters, will be required in the influent, effluent and receiver environment and will feed into an adaptive management framework**:

- a. Will temperature and chloride monitoring, as well as other parameters be a required limit and design objective?
- b. Will the public have the right to review and comment on this?

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