
Statement of Completion for a Category B Project

Class Environmental Assessment for Activities of the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry under the Mining Act

RE: K+S Windsor Salt Ltd. Mining Rights Only Lease Renewals

The Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRF) has completed its assessment in connection with its proposal to set terms and conditions for two existing mining leases, #106466 and #107254, used to support and provide access to the underground salt mine operations of the Ojibway Mine below the Detroit River.

NDMNRF proposed to retain existing terms and conditions in the renewed leases, with minor changes that include the provision that the leases are subject to applicable environmental legislation, as well as terms and conditions that protect water quality, natural water flow, navigation of the waters, and fishing rights.

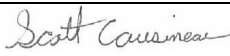
The Category B screening, consultation and project review was carried out in accordance with the *Class Environmental Assessment for Activities of NDMNRF under the Mining Act* (Class EA).

The comment period ended on **June 3rd, 2021**.

Most of the comments received on this posting were requests for additional information. The Ministry responded to these requests and provided information where possible. None of the comments articulated specific concerns about the environmental impacts of the Ojibway salt mine.

Two First Nations in the region, Walpole Island First Nation and Caldwell First Nation, provided comments. These comments were addressed by the Ministry and they were encouraged to contact the company directly. No other commenters requested additional or modified terms and conditions in the lease, nor did they refer to impacts to the environment that could potentially be mitigated through revised terms and conditions.

As authorized by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, NDMNRF has issued the leases on the terms proposed, with the only changes from the proposed terms being clerical edits that have no environmental impact.

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