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Dear Jonathan Scarth:

This letter is to acknowledge and respond to the December 14, 2021, letter from the Clean Environment Commission, regarding the upcoming hearing for the CanWhite Sands Corp. Silica Sand Extraction Project.

The December 14, 2021, letter requests an extension to the timeframe needed to complete the technical review and public hearing process. The Clean Environment Commission letter noted that the hearing process would not commence until after completion of the departmental review process. As a result, more time is needed to ensure a complete technical review of the proposal, as well as accommodate public participation.

I can confirm that the environmental review process remains ongoing while my department awaits additional responses from the proponent to satisfy requirements of The Environment Act. The department will notify you when the process is complete.

Upon consideration of the letter along with the terms of reference and the Process Guidelines Respecting Public Hearings, the Clean Environment Commission request for extended timeframe is approved. Once you have received notification that the environmental review process is complete, please proceed in a timely manner.

Should you have any additional questions, please contact Laura Pyles, Acting Director, Environmental Approvals, at Laura.Pyles@gov.mb.ca or 204-227-3124.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sarah', written in a cursive style.

Sarah Guillemard
Minister

c. Laura Pyles