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Guy J. Turcotte Stone Creek Resorts Inc. Suite 201, 1100 – 1st Street S.E. Calgary, AB T2G 1B1

Dear Mr. Turcotte:

Further to your letter of May 31, 2016, I have completed a review of your proposed Silvertip Aerial Passenger Ropeway Project pursuant to Section 44(1)(b) of the *Environmental Protection* and *Enhancement Act* (EPEA). This activity is not a mandatory activity for the purposes of environmental assessment.

Having regard to the consideration set out in Section 44(1)(b)(i) of EPEA, I have decided that the potential environmental impacts of the proposed activity warrant further consideration under the environmental assessment process, and require that further assessment of the proposed activity be undertaken through a screening.

Under Section 44(5) of EPEA you are required to provide notice of this decision in accordance with Section 3 of the *Environmental Assessment Regulation*. We will require submission of a Disclosure Document which provides sufficient information about the project and its impacts so that the public can understand the project and provide input to the process.

Please contact the Environmental Assessment Coordinator, Margot Trembath, at 780-422-9727 (margot.trembath@gov.ab.ca) for guidance on the content and placement of the Notice, and on the required content of the Public Disclosure document.

I will use this information and the advice which I receive from the public and government agencies to make a decision on the need for an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report. I will also prepare and issue a screening report documenting the decision.

If you have any questions or need further information please contact me at 780-427-9116.

Sincerely,

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(Designated Director, Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act)

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