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The Honourable Catherine McKenna

Minister of Environment and Climate Change

**House of Commons** 

Ottawa, Ontario

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Dear Minister:

Re: Request for Designation for CEAA Federal Assessment - Northern Pulp Effluent Treatment Facility

I am writing to support the request from fishermen's organizations from Nova Scotia, PEI and New Brunswick and Pictou Landing First Nation to have Northern Pulp's Effluent Treatment Project designated a project for Federal Environmental Assessment under Section 14 of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA) 2012.

As a business owner and resident in Nova Scotia I am especially concerned about the harm this proposal from Northern Pulp will cause to our fish and fish habitat, the 70-90 million liters of treated effluent from the mill will not only cause serious harm to the fishing industry but also those who live in the surround areas, such as Nova Scotia, PEI, and New Brunswick.

This proposal is not only a concern for the livelihood of many of our customers and families who work in the Fishing industry but also to those who live in the surrounding area, this is a huge risk to people's health and living environment. The polluting in the air and water has gone on too long un-checked by Provincial and Federal Governments. I believe this project requires a more rigorous review than it will receive from the province of Nova Scotia, which has decided to require only a Class 1, 50-day review, including only 30 days for public comment. As a resident of Nova Scotia, I would not like to see this turn into another Boat Harbour situation.

The people of Nova Scotia and surrounding area want to see more effort and scientific research put into this project for the safety of our waters and residents. We don't need anymore quick fixes, we need a permanent healthy and safe solution to this problem, one that protects our waters, land and our people.

Sincerely,

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