Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government

Order-In-Council

Chronological no.: 3095	Subject: Administrative Agreement Relating to the Appalaches-Bas-Saint-Laurent Transmission Axis Project	Originated by:
The Council of the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government		District Gespe'gewa'gi
Date of duly convened meeting D 2 8 M 0 9 Y 2 6		Province Gepeg

WHEREAS: Listuguj is a Mi'gmaq community indigenous to Gespe'gewa'gi with a sacred, inherent responsibility for the stewardship of the land, waters, and living things of Gespe'gewa'gi;

WHEREAS: Hydro-Québec wishes to build new electrical transmission infrastructure in the Appalaches Bas-Saint-Laurent axis (the "Project") in two phases: phase 1 will include the construction of a new 315 kV substation near Rivière-du-Loup and a 315 kV transmission line of approximately 260 km between Thetford Mines and Rivière-du-Loup; phase 2 will include the construction of a new 315 kV substation near Matapédia and a 315 kV transmission line of approximately 175 km between Matapédia and Rivière-du-Loup;

WHEREAS: Phase 2 of the Project will be located in a portion of Gespe'gewa'gi that Listuguj has used and occupied since time immemorial, and for which Listuguj is primarily responsible as caretaker and steward;

WHEREAS: Hydro-Québec and the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government wish to collaborate on the collection of information relating to the use by the Mi'gmaq of Listuguj of the Project's area, and to the main environmental, social, and economic issues raised by the Project (the "Environmental Assessment Process");

WHEREAS: Hydro-Québec and the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government also wish to negotiate ownership by LMG of an equity stake in the Project and employment and contracting opportunities for Listuguj's members and businesses (the "Economic Partnership Negotiations");

WHEREAS: on November 6, 2025, the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government adopted OIC No. 3005 approving, subject to technical changes required prior to signature, an Administrative Agreement that would enable the parties to collaborate on the Environmental Assessment Process and undertake Economic Partnership Negotiations;

Moved: Gordon Isaac Jr.

Seconded: Chris Wysote

Abstain: -

Opposed: -

Absent: Erwin Peter Molley

Status: ☑ Passed ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled

Quorum 7

Councillor Annette Barnaby

Chief Scott Martin

Councillor Sheila Swasson

Councillor Sky Metallic

Councillor Erwin Peter Molley

Councillor Dr. Cathy Martin

Councillor Christie Caplin

Councillor Wendell Metallic

Councillor Macy Metallic

Councillor George Martin

Councillor Gordon Isaac Jr.

Councillor Tanner Isaac

Councillor Chris Wysote

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WHEREAS the Administrative Agreement was not signed and has been renegotiated with amendments that go beyond technical changes, including:

- Confirmation that confidential information can be shared between Listuguj, Wolastoqiyik Wahsipekuk, Odanak, and Wôlinak for the purposes of Environmental Assessment Process and Economic Partnership Negotiations;
- Clarification that economic partnership regarding the transmission line will take the form either of ownership by LMG of an equity stake in the line or financial compensation for the residual impacts attributable to the line (i.e. an IBA);
- Clarification that, in addition to the contemplated economic partnership agreement, LMG and Hydro-Québec may also negotiate agreements regarding employment and contracting opportunities as well as mitigation, accommodation, and ongoing consultation and engagement in relation to the line;
- A commitment by Hydro-Québec to fund Listuguj's participation in Economic Partnership Negotiations;
- An increase in the amount Hydro-Québec will pay Listuguj to cover the legal costs of negotiating the Administrative Agreement from [redacted]

WHEREAS the Administrative Agreement does not commit the LMG to support the Project;

NOW THEREFORE THE LISTUGUJ MI'GMAQ GOVERNMENT MAKES THE FOLLOWING ORDER-IN-COUNCIL:

1. The Administrative Agreement is approved, subject to technical changes required prior to signature; and
2. The Chief of the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government is directed to sign the Administrative Agreement.