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This submission to the board is in addition to the response I emailed earlier this morning expanding on a few points.

To the members of the Board:

I have received a copy of INAC's September 28, 2016 letter in response to my September 20, 2016 letter to the Board.

INAC's letter states that the proposed project "may have the potential to result in short-term disturbances to third party users of the Gordon Lake area". I disagree that the project only has a potential short-term disturbance on Sandy Point Lodge. Sandy Point Lodge relies on repeat business, and even a short disruption to its operations can have consequences for years to come. A short disruption also has the potential to shut down the operation entirely, since it will be starved of the revenue to even conduct basic maintenance and repair during the project period.

Moreover, while INAC acknowledges a short term disturbance, it does not propose any measures to compensate (to use the language of the legislation) those third party users such as Sandy Point Lodge. Rather, INAC states, "The federal government does not as a matter of course provide compensation to stakeholders to offset claims of financial hardship as a result of Crown actions to address historical contamination of abandoned properties." Whatever the federal government's policy may be, the Board is bound by the federal government's own legislation to ensure adequate compensation is provided. Determining the appropriate amount of compensation in this case requires the Board to establish a process whereby affected parties such as Sandy Point Lodge have the opportunity to submit evidence on that point in a procedurally fair manner.

I would like to thank your staff for brining INAC's letter to my attention and I look forward to an opportunity to provide submissions on this point in a procedurally fair manner.

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