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August 23, 2013

Mr. Gregory Bowes, CEO/President Northern Graphite Corporation 290 Picton Street, Suite 201. Ottawa ON K1Z8P8

Dear Mr. Bowes:

RE: Acknowledgement of Receipt

Bissett Creek Mine Closure Plan Amendment, 2012

I acknowledge receipt of the certified Bissett Creek Mine Closure Plan Amendment, October 2012 for mine production as per 141(4)(a) of the Mining Act, R.S.O.1990, Chapter M14. As of the date of this written acknowledgement, the plan is considered filed and you must now comply with the Closure Plan. This includes supplemental information provided by Knight Piezold in memoranda dated June 7, 2013, being provided to everyone copied on this letter for insertion into their copies of the closure plan amendment.

Please be advised that, it is your responsibility to notify me (Director of Mine Rehabilitation) regarding: commencement of closure, any change in the stage of closure reached, planned expansion or alteration of the project, change in ownership or occupancy, management or control of the project, or if any other material change has occurred that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the adequacy of the Closure Plan or it's amendments, pursuant to Section 144 of the Mining Act, R.S.O.1990, Chapter M14. For your convenience forms for these Notices are available on our website at this link: http://www.mndm.gov.on.ca/en/mines-and-minerals/mining-act-forms

The filing of this closure plan does not relieve the company from statutory obligations under other legislation, or contractual obligations under agreements the company may have entered into. I encourage you to continue meaningful discussions with the Algonquins of Ontario as the project develops.

We wish you success with the operation and rehabilitation of the Bissett Creek Mine. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tim Ruthenberg, Mineral Exploration and Development Consultant at 1(888) 415-9845, extension 3002.

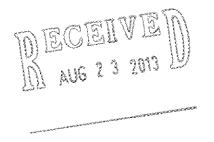
Sincerely,

Director of Mine Rehabilitation

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Thursday August 1, 2013

#### Dear Sir/Madam:

For the past several months, TransCanada has been working with prospective shippers to define the scope of the proposed Energy East project that would carry crude oil from Western Canada to Eastern Canadian markets.

On April 15, 2013, TransCanada commenced a binding open season to obtain firm long-term shipping commitments from interested parties. The open season closed on June 17, 2013. Enclosed is a copy of our most recent news release announcing the successful completion of the open season and the results of that process.

TransCanada is committed to an open and respectful engagement process. Across Canada, we have begun our engagement work on the Energy East project by meeting and sharing information with First Nation and Métis communities, community leaders, local, provincial and federal governments, and landowners. This summer and fall, we will be hosting numerous open houses across the country so that anyone who is interested can have an opportunity to meet with project managers and technical staff from TransCanada and learn more about the Energy East project. Times, dates and locations for the open houses are posted on the Energy East website at: www.energyeastpipeline.com.

If you have any questions regarding these documents or would like additional information about TransCanada or the Energy East project, please visit our website at www.energyeastpipeline.com, call us by phone at 1.855.895.8750 (Toll-free), or send us an email at E-mail: EnergyEast@TransCanada.com.

Sincerely:

Steve Pohlod

President, Energy East Pipeline

# **News**Release



\*\*Editor's note: News Conference today at 9:30 AM (MDT). Details below.

# TransCanada to Proceed with 1.1 Million Barrel/Day Energy East Pipeline Project to Saint John

## Successful Open Season Confirms Strong Support to Move Crude Oil to Eastern Canada

CALGARY, Alberta – **August 1, 2013** – TransCanada Corporation (TSX, NYSE: TRP) (TransCanada) is pleased to announce it is moving forward with the 1.1 million barrel per day (bbl/d) Energy East Pipeline project based on binding, long-term contracts received from producers and refiners. The conclusion of the successful open season confirmed strong market support for a pipeline with approximately 900,000 bbl/d of firm, long-term contracts to transport crude oil from Western Canada to Eastern Canadian refineries and export terminals.

"We are very pleased with the outcome of the open season for the Energy East Pipeline held earlier this year and are excited to move forward with a major project that will bring many benefits across Canada," said Russ Girling, TransCanada's president and chief executive officer. "This is an historic opportunity to connect the oil resources of western Canada to the consumers of eastern Canada, creating jobs, tax revenue and energy security for all Canadians for decades to come."

Girling added that interest in Energy East supports refineries' desire to have access to a stable and reliable supply of Western Canadian crude oil – pushing out more expensive crude oil from foreign regimes. Eastern Canada currently imports approximately 700,000 bbl/d. It also confirms the desire producers have to support safe and innovative ways to get their crude oil to market.

"Energy East is one solution for transporting crude oil but the industry also requires additional pipelines such as Keystone XL to transport growing supplies of Canadian and U.S. crude oil to existing North American markets," added Girling. "Both pipelines are required to meet the need for safe and reliable pipeline infrastructure and are underpinned with binding, long-term agreements."

The project is expected to cost approximately \$12 billion, excluding the transfer value of Canadian Mainline natural gas assets. The Energy East Pipeline will have a capacity of approximately 1.1 million bbl/d and is anticipated to be in service by late-2017 for deliveries in Québec and 2018 for deliveries to New Brunswick.

The Energy East Pipeline project involves converting a portion of natural gas pipeline capacity in approximately 3,000 kilometres (1,864 miles) of TransCanada's existing Canadian Mainline to crude oil service and constructing approximately 1,400 kilometres (870 miles) of new pipeline. The pipeline will transport crude oil from receipt points in Alberta and Saskatchewan to delivery points in Montréal, the Québec City region and Saint John, New Brunswick, greatly enhancing producer access to Eastern Canadian and international markets. The pipeline will terminate at Canaport in Saint John, New Brunswick where TransCanada and Irving Oil have formed a joint venture to build, own and operate a new deep water marine terminal.

While Energy East will use a portion of Canadian Mainline capacity, TransCanada is committed to continuing to meet the needs of its gas customers in eastern Canada and the N.E. United States.

Our 60 years of pipeline experience has taught us that to advance a project of this size, we must engage in open and meaningful discussions with Aboriginal communities and key stakeholder groups. TransCanada has been out in the field collecting data and engaging with Aboriginal and stakeholder groups for the past several months as part of its initial design and planning work for the project and that will continue.

#### FORWARD LOOKING INFORMATION

This publication contains certain information that is forward-looking and is subject to important risks and uncertainties (such statements are usually accompanied by words such as "anticipate", "expect", "would", "will" or other similar words). Forward-looking statements in this document are intended to provide TransCanada security holders and potential investors with information regarding TransCanada and its subsidiaries, including management's assessment of TransCanada's and its subsidiaries' future financial and operation plans and outlook. All forward-looking statements reflect TransCanada's beliefs and assumptions based on information available at the time the statements were made. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on this forward-looking information. TransCanada undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking information except as required by law. For additional information on the assumptions made, and the risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ from the anticipated results, refer to TransCanada's Quarterly Report to Shareholders dated July 26, 2013 and 2012 Annual Report filed under TransCanada's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission at www.sec.gov and available on TransCanada's website at www.transcanada.com.

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**MEDIA RELEASE** 

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 28, 2013

## **BONNECHERE MANOR AWARDED 190 kW FIT CONTRACT**

Renfrew, (ON): Good news for Bonnechere Manor and the County of Renfrew! The long-term care home was successful through the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) Feedin Tariff (FIT) Program, a government-sponsored renewable energy program intended to generate new sources of solar power. With only a few medium fit applications approved in Eastern Ontario, Bonnechere Manor is excited to have County Council's support to move forward with the opportunity of a 190 kW solar panel project on its rooftop. The initial cost of the solar panels is approximately \$1 million, however, the contract with Ontario Hydro will provide Bonnechere Manor with revenue exceeding \$2.3 million over the course of 20 years, and another \$100,000 per year in utility savings for an additional ten years before the panels need replacing.

County of Renfrew Warden Peter Emon also supports and praises the staff for their continued work on this project. "I'm pleased that Bonnechere Manor was successful in their FIT application with Ontario Power Authority. This is a great opportunity to generate revenue and benefit the taxpayers of Renfrew County. The County of Renfrew will continue to research the availability of similar projects."

Killaloe, Hagarty & Richards Mayor Janice Visneskie-Moore, Chair of the Health Committee, states "I support the entrepreneurial leadership demonstrated by the Bonnechere Manor management team on this initiative."

Shayne Hoelke, Bonnechere Manor Administrator, states "I'm proud of the staff at the Home because they are always looking at opportunities to generate revenue and reduce the municipal contribution in operating costs."

Bonnechere Manor Long-Term Care Home has been serving County of Renfrew seniors since 1958. The 180-bed home is located at 470 Albert Street in Renfrew.

For more information, please contact:

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# Family and Children's Services



County of Renfrew



August 29, 2013

To All Government Officials

# Re: Foster Parent and Friends Appreciation:

Dear Councillors, Mayors, Reeves:

As many of you know, each year Family and Children's Services of Renfrew County holds a celebration to honour its many hard-working and dedicated foster parents. This year's event will be held on <u>Friday</u>, October 4, 2013 at the Cobden Agricultural Hall, Fairgrounds, Cobden, Ontario. Festivities begin at 6:00 p.m. Please refer to the enclosed invitation for all the details.

During the evening, we honour all foster parents, while paying particular attention to those who have dedicated themselves to fostering for 5, 10, 15, and more years.

Tickets for the evening are \$25 per person, with proceeds to Fostering in Renfrew County. Advanced tickets and confirmation of your attendance can be made through **Ann Hubert** at 735-6866 ext. 4060 or by email at ann.hubert@fcsrenfrew.on.ca.

Thank you in advance for considering this event.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

Marjorie J. Walker

Foster Parent and Friends

**Event Coordinator** 

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Ontario Onsite Wastewater Association Newsletter

The opinions expressed in this newsletter by contributing authors are not necessarily the opinions of OOWA's Board of Directors or the Association.

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# **New** program will help residents rehabilitate ailing septic systems

(KAWARTHA LAKES) City of Kawartha Lakes property owners who are worried about deteriorating septic systems have a solution, thanks to a new program set to launch next year.

t Tuesday's meeting (March 26), council thanked staff for two years' of work to come up with a way to help homeowners address costly septic repairs, especially those who don't have the money up front.

A staff report notes that last October, the *Municipal Act* amended a regulation "that will now allow a municipality to enter into agreements with willing property owners for the municipality to undertake local improvements on private property, and to recover the costs of the work from the property owners."

Christie Norris, manager of revenue and taxation, noted the program is not a loan to residents; rather the program would see the City pay qualified contractors to do the work and the cost would be recovered through the homeowner's property taxes. Ms Norris said there were still details to be finalized and the parameters to be worked out.

The report notes changes to the Local Improvement Charges Regulation, "was to encourage innovative approaches to energy efficiency and water conservation programs at the local level."

The regulation does not provide the municipality with the authority to simply engage in lending activities. The intent of the changes is to allow the municipality to undertake the work or to finance the work if done by contractors, and then recover the amount from the property owners through a local improvement charge. That charge would appear on a property tax bill as a surcharge until the charge is completely paid off.

Councillors, for the most part, were happy. Ward 15 Councillor Gerald McGregor said septics (in need of repair) are a threat to source water protection and the program will help homeowners to comply with the *Source Water Protection Act*.

Ward 7 Councillor Brian Junkin was firmly against the program, saying septic systems fall under the Health Unit's jurisdiction and are not the City's responsibility. He did not want the City getting involved in what he saw as a matter between the Health Unit and the property owner. But, Mayor Ric McGee corrected him, saying the City contracts the Health Unit and the responsibility is "ultimately ours."

Councillor Junkin said, "If you know you have septic problems, you'll get them fixed."

But, the mayor disagreed, noting that not all problems with septics are visible on the surface. He said the program should get council's "unanimous support."

And, he said the City shouldn't be considering a mandatory septic inspection program without giving people a chance to address a septic problem; there should be "incentives before regulations."

"There's a lot of people with this problem...this is a chance to help them fix it," he said.

Ward 3 Councillor David Hodgson agreed. He said weeds in the lake at his home alerted his neighbour to a septic problem. When the tank was excavated, he said, "they took that old tank out in pieces." Once the new septic was installed, the lake weeds disappeared.

Council voted 11 to three in favour with councillors Junkin, Glenn Campbell and John Macklem voting against it. Councillors Doug Elmslie, Steve Strangway and Emmett Yeo were absent.



