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Mr. Fern Dominelli  
Acting Chief Administrative Officer  
Manitoulin-Sudbury District Social Services Administration Board  
210 Mead Boulevard  
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Dear Mr. Dominelli,

**Re: Renewable Energy Initiative – Conditional Project Approvals**

Congratulations, it is our pleasure to advise you that the following projects have been awarded a conditional approval under the Renewable Energy Initiative (REI).

<b>Project</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Technology</b>
1. Mindemoya	29 Nixon Street, Mindemoya	24	\$150,000	GT

**Legend**

PV – Photovoltaic

ST – Solar Thermal

SA – Solar Air

GT – Geothermal

We suggest you proceed quickly to select an approved vendor from the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) Renewable Energy Technology (RET) Vendor List, firm up the project budget and proceed to make a final application to generate a final Funding Agreement.

This final REI application package will include:

- A finalized Project Information Form (PIF), which can be entered into the Affordable Housing Information Management System (AIMS);
- Name of vendor from the approved vendor list; and
- Itemized project budget – at a minimum showing cost of technology, cost of installation and any required base building upgrades to allow for installation.

For projects which intend to apply to the OPA for a Feed-in-Tariff (FIT) contract, it is important to contact the OPA directly to determine eligibility. Conditional project approval under the REI does not guarantee eligibility under the FIT program. The onus is on the Housing Proponent to determine if their project meets the Ontario content requirements of the FIT program. More information on the requirements of the FIT program is available on the OPA Vendor List website.

Please proceed to final commitment by September 30, 2010.

For the Affordable Housing Program (AHP) allocation in REI, the conditional project approvals are firm upset limits and no additional funding is available to cover overruns or change in project scopes. A revised Conditional Letter of Commitments will be forwarded in the near future

For Social Housing Retrofit and Repair Program, the REI conditional project approvals are based on the projects submitted and it is expected that all conditionally approved SHRRP projects will be funded within the approved funding envelope.

We look forward to receiving the final project information in the coming weeks and proceeding to project implementation.

Should you have any questions please contact Lou Di Palma at 416-585-7501, or Patrick Roulstone at 416-585-6642.

Thank you once again for your interest and participation in the Renewable Energy Initiative.

Sincerely,



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