



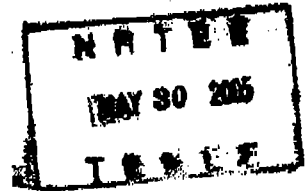
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Mr. Angus Ross
Chair, Advisory Panel
Canadian Brownfields Network

Dear Mr. Nyberg and Mr. Ross:

I am writing in response to your recent letter concerning the "National Brownfields Redevelopment Strategy for Canada".

In most cases, any lien against a property held by the Province of Nova Scotia would be through the Office of Economic Development. Therefore, I have taken the liberty of forwarding your report to that Department for their consideration.

I would also suggest that you contact the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities requesting their input on this issue given that municipalities are the level of government that levy property taxes in Nova Scotia. You can reach the UNSM at:

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Thank you for providing me with this information.

Yours truly,

Barry Barnett

cc Hon. Ernie Fage, Economic Development
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