## **APPENDIX A**

Landowner Letters



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Att: Mr. Jim Ward

Mr. Ward, it has been brought to my attention that you, and the North Shore Micmac District Council, have assumed the role of Proponent for the eradication of smallmouth bass from Miramichi Lake as well as affected areas of the Miramichi River. I want to thank you for stepping up and taking on the lead role of this critically important project. I fully support the project as long as science assures us that it can be completed successfully and with minimal impact on other native species to the lake and river. It is very important to International Paper that Atlantic salmon and trout are minimally impacted.

As I understand it, the working group has concluded through consultation with science and industry leaders in the field of Rotenone application, that a section of the Miramichi River has been identified for treatment. I also understand that a deactivation zone has been identified near Moose Call Camp with a fish barrier to be erected further downstream near Slate Island Camp. As I recognize smallmouth bass to be an invasive species that poses a considerable threat to our Miramichi ecosystem, I wish to grant you permission to pass over and use our property at Slate Island, identified as PID 75422972, in order that you might more effectively carry out your project.

Best of luck with this critically important task.

Wayne O'Donnell

Manager

IP Canada Holdings, Ltd.



June 16, 2020

Pest Management Regulatory Agency 2720 Riverside Drive Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0K9

Attention: Mr. Kurt Randall

## Re: Support for Emergency Use of Noxfish II in the Southwest Miramchi River

Mr. Randall,

I am writing on behalf of J.D. Irving, Limited (JDI) in support of the Emergency Use Registration of Noxfish Fish Toxicant II, to eradicate the invasive smallmouth bass (SMB) from the main Southwest Miramichi River (SMR).

JDI has been a forest landowner and manager in New Brunswick since 1882. The forests we own or manage provide the wood supply for local forest products operations, provide habitat for wildlife, clean water and are important for storing carbon. Over 25% of the lands we own or manage have the primary purpose of conservation. Since the early 1990s JDI has invested approximately \$1.4 million every year in peer reviewed research related to growing better trees and studies to understand habitat for salmon, trout, songbirds, deer, moose and other wildlife. In addition, we are founding partners in the Collaboration for Atlantic Salmon Tomorrow (CAST). The CAST science team at the Canadian Rivers Institute and Université Laval are focused on results-based approaches for restoring Atlantic salmon populations in NB.

JDI has been concerned about the potential impact of invasive SMB in Miramichi Lake on Atlantic salmon for many years. Concern increased in 2017 when SMB were discovered in the SWR by CAST scientists using eDNA technology.

JDI is the private landowner on both sides of the SWR where SMB have been identified. We are pleased to be a partner in the efforts to eradicate SMB with the Miramichi Salmon Association, Atlantic Salmon Federation and North Shore MicMac District Council. As such, JDI has provided access, new roads, trails, and other resources to help make the collaboration more successful.

JDI strongly supports efforts to obtain an Emergency Use Registration for the use of Noxfish Fish Toxicant II (PCP #33247) in the SWM at the earliest possible convenience in 2020.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

J.D. IRVING, LIMITED WOODLANDS DIVISION

Andrew Willett Director of Research and Engagement

Cc: Nathan Wilbur, Mark Hambrook, Jim Ward