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Membertou Community Update on Partnership with Everwind Fuels

Membertou,

Our partner Everwind has been in the news lately, and it's important that you, our community know the facts.

Membertou has been partnered with Everwind for 5+ years on developing clean energy projects in Nova Scotia. Membertou is the majority owner of proposed on-land wind farms to produce clean wind power at four sites in the province, Bear Lake, Kmtnuk, Upper Afton and Windy Ridge.

Everwind recently announced they are partnered with *Anthropic* to develop a data center in Point Tupper Industrial Park. Membertou is not partnered on the data center project. We're currently assessing and learning about the project in deeper detail and haven't invested at this time.

Everwind has been a thoughtful and trustworthy partner to us over the last five years.

Here are some facts about the data center that might dispel rumours and misinformation circulating online:

Everwind Data Center Project Facts:

- The proposed data center will be a closed-loop, cold-climate center which will focus on sustainably using water from Landrie Lake.
- Landrie Lake is a man-made lake near Point Tupper and is currently used to service other industrial operations in the area. At full capacity only 1.5% of the daily allowance from the Lake will be needed to service the data center.
- In Phase 1 of the project, the data center will utilize the equivalent of an olympic-sized swimming pool worth of water on a monthly basis.
- At full capacity, the data center will utilize about one-fifth what golf courses use to maintain their operations.
- The data center is a private investment of \$8-billion – the largest private investment the province of Nova Scotia has ever seen.
- As a new paying customer on the electricity system, the data center will deliver substantial financial benefits and allow the grid to be maintained without putting a burden on customers/rate payers.

Computing, artificial intelligence, and data are the way of the technological future. If you're reading this message today via social media, data and AI are being used. We have a

responsibility to be at the forefront of these major projects to ensure they're designed and developed from a sustainable lens.

Our communities know what happens when we've not been at the table for important industry decision-making in the past. Currently, there is an opportunity to shape this new industry during these early stages; to ensure environmental measures are upheld, and to ensure our resources are well-managed.

The truth is, these centers will be part of our future.

They will continue to be developed based on demand. We can either have a say about how they impact our communities and be at the table to set forth guidelines and stewardship, or we can choose to ignore the responsibility we have to the coming generations.

The next seven generations won't live a life that looks like ours.

It's important we set them up for sustainable success in these industries that will be part of their everyday life.

The Membertou community can be assured that like all business decisions we make, our investments are rooted in thoughtful research, our commitment to continuing to provide opportunities for community members, and being a leader for the island of Unama'ki.

If you'd to learn more about Everwind's data center project, please visit: www.everwind.ca

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Terry J. Paul".

Chief Terry Paul

Chief & CEO, Membertou