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Honourable Dwight Ball, Premier
Minister Responsible of Intergovernmental and
Indigenous Affairs Secretariat and the Office of Labrador Affairs
P.O. Box 8700
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Dear Premier,

I am writing to once again ask that you give consideration to requesting Nalcor Energy to drop all criminal and civil actions against the Labrador Land Protectors for events leading up to and on October 26, 2016 at or near the Muskrat Falls site.

Many of these people feel they have done nothing wrong, but were simply taking action to protect their health, culture and way of life, and, as a result, have been branded criminals. This is very unfortunate and will, without a doubt, add to the growing discontent people have towards Nalcor and the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador.

As I have indicated to you before, having these charges dropped would serve as a significant and meaningful gesture of good faith and good intentions going forward, and would help to restore positive and constructive relations among the Indigenous leaders, the people of Labrador, Nalcor Energy and the Province.

I understand the dropping of criminal charges is a matter for the province's Director of Public Prosecutions and the relevant Crown Prosecutor. I also realize that any attempts by you or other political leaders to approach prosecutors to have criminal charges dropped will constitute unacceptable political interference in due legal process. To be clear, I am not asking you to approach the prosecutors with this request, but I do believe that it would not be improper if you were to approach Nalcor to ask that consideration be given to dropping all charges.

I look forward to learning of your positive response.

Respectfully,

Johannes Lampe
President

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