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Exhibit # 11*

**The Cornwall Public Inquiry**

**709 Cotton Mill St.**

**Cornwall, ON**

**K6H 7K7**

**ATTN: Mr. Peter Engelman**

**RE: Ken Seguin and Doug Seguin Standing and Funding**

Dear Mr. Engelman,

I wish to reserve the right for Doug Seguin on behalf of the Seguin family and the Estate of Ken Seguin to seek standing and funding for the Cornwall Public Inquiry. I understand that the deadline of October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005, and November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> may be pushed back for further discovery of the relevant players and issues.

Briefly, Ken Seguin was a probation officer with the Ministry of Corrections who committed suicide in 1993. He along with Father Charles MacDonald were the first two to be mentioned as abusers by the first complainant David Silmsier. The complainant chose not to proceed against Mr. Seguin. Although no charges were ever laid against Mr. Seguin, the allegation was that Mr. Seguin was using his position as a probation officer to abuse boys. There have also been allegations of a group of pedophiles which included members of the probation office who would use their positions of trust over children to abuse them. Once the Crown Attorney's Office terminated the investigation against Father MacDonald Cst. Dunlop provided a copy of the original statement to the Children's Aid Society. The statement was eventually leaked to the CJOH news in Ottawa.

Mr. Seguin subsequently took his life in 1993. After this occurred, the O.P.P. commenced an investigation into extortion against Mr. Silmsier regarding the suicide of Ken Seguin.

It may be early to determine the standing of Doug Seguin who is the brother of Ken Seguin. My understanding of Part I of the inquiry is the role of the institutional response to the allegations. Given the role of Part I of the inquiry, it would appear to

me that Ken Seguin, as a member of the probation office would fit into the institutional role of the inquiry. Mr. Seguin's family and Estate can be in a position to offer distinct perspectives of the issues.

With respect to Part II, it would appear that the family and Estate would seek standing due to the possible statements or complaints that may be made regarding Ken Seguin. Both the family and the Estate have an interest in ensuring that statements or allegations do not tarnish or impact the reputation of Ken Seguin. However, it is still unclear how they would participate.

If it is possible to extend the deadline, could you kindly contact me.

Yours very truly,



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**ATTN: Mr. Peter Engelman and  
Mr. Pierre Dumais**

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to you in furtherance of the letter I sent on October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005. I wish to advise that a representative will be attending to make submissions as to why the Seguin family or Estate of Ken Seguin should be granted standing at the Cornwall Public Inquiry.

Part I of the Inquiry is institutional in nature. It will look at the institutional response and role in the allegations of sexual abuse on children. Many allegations of abuse were raised against the Probation Office and its members. David Silmsler initiated the first complaint in December 1992 against Mr. Seguin of the Probation Office. The allegations were that Mr. Seguin used his position as a Probation Officer to abuse children on probation who were assigned to him. Once Mr. Silmsler negotiated a "without prejudice" settlement, a chain of events unfolded when Cst. Perry Dunlop took exception to the termination of criminal proceedings against Father Charles MacDonald. Cst. Dunlop provided a copy of the original statement made by Mr. Silmsler with allegations against Ken Seguin to the Children's Aid Society. The statement was eventually leaked to the CJOH news in Ottawa. Mr. Seguin subsequently took his life in 1993. After this occurred, the O.P.P. commenced an investigation into extortion against Mr. Silmsler regarding the suicide of Ken Seguin.

Given the institutional role of Part I of the Inquiry, Ken Seguin as part of the Probation Office would appear to be essential to the mandate of the Inquiry. The Seguin family or the Estate of Mr. Seguin would appear to be directly and substantially affected by the Inquiry. As well, given Mr. Seguin's

institutional role in the Probation Office, the Seguin family or the Estate can offer a distinct perspective essential to the mandate of Part I.

Depending on the direction taken by Part II, the Seguin family or Estate may become a significant participant. Should victims begin to make statements against Mr. Seguin, the family and Estate feel that it ought to be given an opportunity to respond. For these reasons, the Seguin family and/or Estate seek standing and funding in the Inquiry.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Giuseppe C.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

**GIUSEPPE CIPRIANO**