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Subject: I do NOT support oil and gas exploration occurring within Sable Island National Park Reserve.
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Dear Minister McKenna,

I do NOT support oil and gas exploration occurring within Sable Island National Park Reserve.

After numerous offshore (and onshore) drilling disasters, including the catastrophic Deepwater Horizon and a recent spill off Nova Scotia's shore, it should have been clearly inadmissible to approve ANY new drilling or fracking sites, and to close existing ones as quickly as possible. To even consider surface or sub-surface oil and gas exploration in a recently established protected area (Sable Island) is yet another demonstration of the hypocrisy and ethical bankruptcy that exists in the decision-making process. In addition, many concerned Canadians, including the federal government's own expert panel, have noted that petroleum boards have two conflicting mandates: to protect the marine environment and to promote resource extraction. That conflict of interest, real or perceived, is another reason for concern.

How many times do we have to repeat the obvious: ecological integrity and health TRUMP profit!! (pun clearly intended)

The climate emergency/crisis calls for immediate transition to renewable energy, which is entirely within reach right now, NOT for a stampede to exploit the remaining hydrocarbons before the door closes permanently. There is an existential choice to make; we are just repeatedly not making the right one. Please consider making a much stronger stand in defense of the natural environment and health of Canadians.

Regards,

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