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Attention:
Bill Steer, Canadian Ecology Centre Foundation

Dear Bill,

I would like to congratulate you very much for your assistance in providing a couple of outstanding workshops and training sessions in certifying members of the Riding Mountain Biosphere Reserve (retailers, rural municipal councilors, park staff, recreation coordinators) and a host of other people who are now quite knowledgeable about the use of GPS satellite receivers, map, compass, and Geocaching.

I'd like to reflect on the fact that our chance meeting at EcoNorth, in Thunder Bay, was pivotal in our being able to partner with you. If you recall, we met and I explained what we were doing as a company – Earth Rhythms, Inc. – in creating customized Geocaches and GPS-based learning experiences here at Riding Mountain National Park. As a result of that meeting, I was able to then leverage that meeting into a contract that we currently have with Riding Mountain National Park, in which we are helping to build community capacity with local communities to create Geocaches, virtual caches, Earth Caches and other GPS learning experiences. Your services, at the Canadian Ecology Centre, in providing GPS training and certification have helped us to provide a training deliverable that was seamless and has quickly added credibility to our project.

I will be leading and facilitating a series of community-based workshops this summer in which we will be enabling community participants to learn about GPS technology, Geocaching, and how they may be able to create some unique educational and travel experiences, in partnership with multiple partners. This project, which is being initiated by the Riding Mountain Biosphere Reserve, partnered with Friends of Riding Mountain (a cooperating association), and sponsored by Riding Mountain National Park is the first of its kind in Western Canada. We are quite excited to be able to partner with the Canadian Ecology Centre, in delivering GPS training.

We are particularly interested to learn more about the Northern Ontario GPS Treasure Hunt, and how we may be able to create our own version of community-based Geocaching, in which we position our products as Manitoba's best place for unique GPS learning experiences. Perhaps there are best practices that we can share reciprocally, and enable a fast-track for a Canadian positioning of GPS learning experiences which can help support the Canadian Tourism Commission's commitment to positioning Canada as the 4-seasons global destination of choice for experiential travel. Your assistance has been pivotal in our being able to work so quickly and enable learning about this fast-emerging form of technology-based learning about our community history, ecology, nature, and heritage. Thank you kindly for your assistance. We look forward to collaborating with you in the future.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Celes Davar". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Celes Davar, President
Earth Rhythms, Inc.

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seeking to engage the human experience in a deeper appreciation for nature, and for each other.*