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To: [Minister, ENV ENV:EX](#)  
Subject: 300766 - FW: International Blue Flag awarded to Gibsons Marina  
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**From:** Klaus Fuerniss | [s.22](#)

**Sent:** May 25, 2016 4:39 PM

**To:** Polak.MLA, Mary

**Subject:** International Blue Flag awarded to Gibsons Marina

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We request the honour of your presence at this ceremony.

Refreshments will be served.

Sincerely,

Klaus Fuerniss

Please RSVP to: [rsvp@gibsonsmarina.ca](mailto:rsvp@gibsonsmarina.ca)

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To: [s.22](#) <[rsvp@gibsonsmarina.ca](mailto:rsvp@gibsonsmarina.ca)>  
Subject: RE: International Blue Flag awarded to Gibsons Marina  
Date: Friday, June 3, 2016 12:48:00 PM  
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June 3, 2016

Klaus Fuerniss

Email: [s.22](#) <[rsvp@gibsonsmarina.ca](mailto:rsvp@gibsonsmarina.ca)>

Dear Mr. Fuerniss:

Please find attached a letter of congratulations from Minister Polak for your event on Saturday.

Sincerely,

Office of the Minister

Ministry of Environment

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*June 3, 2016*

Klaus Fuerniss  
Gibsons Marina  
Email: [s.22](#)

Dear Mr. Fuerniss:

On behalf of the Ministry of Environment, I would like to offer my sincere congratulations to Gibsons Marina for being awarded the International Blue Flag eco-certification by Environmental Defence Canada.

The Blue Flag designation is a significant achievement, and represents a profound commitment to the environment.

The Ministry of Environment is responsible for the protection, management and conservation of British Columbia's water, land, air and living resources. It is wonderful that organizations like Gibsons Marina share our commitment to environmental stewardship.

I regret that I am not able to attend in person to celebrate this monumental occasion with you.

Congratulations again, and thank you for making such a positive contribution to the province of British Columbia.

Sincerely,

Mary Polak  
Minister

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As per MOE-16-63316

*All applications and permits and all correspondence in any form including emails received from or sent to The Town of Gibsons or any of the companies or individuals listed below referencing or concerning a development known as the George Hotel and Residences - and/or Hyak Marine Site, located at 355-385 Gower Point Road in Gibsons: Art Phillips and/or Art Phillips and Associates Inc., KMF Holdings, Klaus Fuerniss Enterprises Inc., Hyak Marine, Hyak Marine Services, Balanced Environmental, Michael - Mike - Geraghty, Keystone Environmental Ltd., Susan Hildebrand, GreenBuilt Inc. (Date Range for Record Search: From 05/02/2016 To 08/16/2016)*

**2016-05-16 Conversation with Mike Gaherty, Keystone Environmental**

All surface areas of potential environmental concern have been identified. Groundwater quality down-gradient of site determined to be OK. Mike acknowledged that it would be very important to ensure that construction of the project will not negatively impact the artesian aquifer. Not a concern from a contaminated sites perspective as the artesian conditions would prevent impacts of contaminants at the site on groundwater quality.

**2016-07-05 Conversation with Mike Gaherty, Keystone Environmental**

The environmental consultant has not started detailed site investigation work as they are awaiting approval of local government permits. The Boathouse has been demolished and the fuel facilities have been removed but will be rebuilt during site redevelopment.

Foreshore contaminants have been delineated horizontally and vertical delineation will be completed once the detailed site investigation proceeds.

It is anticipated that contaminated sediments will be managed onsite and are not expected to be classified contaminated once considered soil. Mike was aware that an authorization would be required to manage contaminated materials on site.