



**Tla'amin Nation**

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**Tla'amin Nation Sends Letter of Intent to Paper Excellence re: conditional offer  
One step closer to re-acquiring village site at tiskʷat**

**September 15, 2022 – ᓐᓂᓂᓂᓂ, ᓕᓗᓐᓂᓂᓂ ᓂᓕᓐᓂ** – The Tla'amin Nation (Tla'amin) has sent a letter of intent (LOI) to Paper Excellence (PE) in accordance with the company's deadline for parties interested in purchasing the 300 acre mill site at tiskʷat and all of its industrial assets. The LOI is the first step in the process leading to a conditional offer to purchase the now shuttered mill at tiskʷat.

Tla'amin Hegus John Hackett said that “more than one hundred years ago, our people were forced from our ancient village at tiskʷat. Our people have never benefitted in any way from the many millions of dollars extracted from the mill that was built over our village. We have never relinquished our claim to what was once a beautiful place, with a thriving sockeye salmon run. Our letter of intent is an important step to reclaiming our land and demonstrating the important benefits that local ownership can offer the region. As we move toward an offer to purchase the site and re-acquire our traditional lands and waters, we celebrate the resilience, strength and determination of our people.”

Positive discussions with Pacific Hydrogen Canada Corp. (PHC) are ongoing further to the [memorandum of understanding](#) announced on August 17<sup>th</sup> with regard to a possible clean, green energy project at tiskʷat. And Tla'amin continues to work closely with its treaty partners at the federal and provincial governments on initiatives related to land reclamation, habitat restoration and economic development opportunities at the site.

Tla'amin will have more detailed information to share regarding all of these matters in the coming days.

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Tla'amin Nation Government

**About Tla'amin Nation**

The Tla'amin Nation is a modern, forward-thinking First Nation Government at an exciting point in its history. In April 2016, the community became self-governing through the modern treaty process. The community resides in the qathet Regional District. The Tla'amin Nation has a rich heritage that stretches back since time immemorial and is guided by its ta'ow (teachings) enshrined in its constitution and governance structure.

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