

The recent Memorandum of Understanding between the Haida Power Authority and NaiKun Wind Energy Group Inc. to establish a proposal for *HaidaLink* does not affect the CEP process currently being conducted by the Sheltair Group. Sheltair is not considering individual, site-specific energy projects as part of its CEP and is not in a position to approve specific proposals.

The Sheltair Group will continue the CEP process as planned, looking at electricity supply technologies and demand side management (electricity conservation) options that are broadly supported by Island residents. A Working Group meeting is planned for June 1<sup>st</sup> on Haida Gwaii and island-wide public meetings are being planned for the week of June 18 to identify preferences for supply and demand side management (conservation) options. The Plan produced as a result of this process will identify Islanders preferences for particular types of technologies and electricity conservation programs but will not comment on specific projects.

Updates will continue to be provided on this project website, as they become available.

Once the CEP is completed, BC Hydro will be issuing a call for proposals from Independent Power Producers (IPPs) to supply electricity to the Haida Gwaii distribution system. For more information on how BC Hydro acquires power and the Call for Tender process, see <http://www.bchydro.com/info/ipp/ipp956.html>.