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**Ellen Roy Herzfelder, Secretary, Massachusetts Office of Environmental Affairs**

Ellen Roy Herzfelder is the Commonwealth's Secretary for the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. Ms. Roy Herzfelder is both an environmentalist and a manager. An outdoors enthusiast who loves hiking and kayaking, Ms. Roy Herzfelder developed a love for her natural surroundings as a child. Growing up in Newton as the youngest of five children, her summers were focused around all-day outings to Crane's Beach and to Nantasket Beach. Now a resident of Cohasset, she shares her enjoyment of and her concern for the ocean and the environment with her husband and their two young children. Recently, Ms. Roy Herzfelder has been active in the world of environmental affairs through her involvement with numerous non-profit organizations. She has served on the boards of Mass Inc.; Harvard University's Environment and Natural Resources Program, a multi-disciplinary environmental policy think-tank and teaching program housed at the Kennedy School of Government; and the Kennedy School's Environment Council. Ms. Roy Herzfelder brings diverse management experience to Environmental Affairs, having worked with both non-profit and for-profit organizations. She has been a senior lecturer at MIT's Sloan School of Management, a successful businesswoman, manager, and entrepreneur. She is also a member of the Kennedy School's Women's Leadership Board, an international group of women who advise the Dean on policy issues. She has degrees from: Harvard College, BA (1981), Kennedy School of Government, MPP (1987), and MIT Sloan School of Management, MBA (1987).

**Susan Snow-Cotter, Director, MA Office of Coastal Zone Management**

Susan Snow –Cotter holds a BA in Political Science from U-Mass/Amherst and a Masters in Marine Affairs from the University of Washington. Her professional experience includes work in the non-profit sector with the Wilderness Society in Boston in the early 1980's and six years in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands working on fisheries and coastal zone management issues. From 1994 to 1999 she served as Ocean Policy Coordinator for the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management (CZM). In that capacity, Susan worked on aquaculture and ocean resource planning projects and represented Massachusetts on the Gulf of Maine Council Working Group and the Minerals Management Service's Outer Continental Shelf Policy Committee. In 1999, Susan was appointed Assistant Director for Coastal and Ocean Management with oversight of all CZM's marine resource management programs including water quality, marine monitoring, aquatic nuisance species, ocean management and data management. Most recently, Susan led the Governor's Ocean Management Task Force process that resulted in the development of a two volume Task Force report and recommendations. She is currently serving as Director of the Office of Coastal Zone Management.

**Priscilla Brooks, Ph.D., Conservation Law Foundation (private sector Councilor for MA)**

Priscilla Brooks is the Director of the Marine Resources Project and environmental economist for the Conservation Law Foundation (CLF). Dr. Brooks received her Bachelor of Science degree in Communications from Cornell University in 1981 and Master of Science (1987) and Ph.D. degrees in environmental and natural resource economics from the University of Rhode Island. Prior to joining CLF in 1994, Dr. Brooks worked as a Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Rhode Island where her research focused on international trade and marketing of fisheries products and the economics of seafood safety and aquaculture, with implications for fisheries management and public policy. The Conservation Law Foundation was founded in 1966 and is New England leading environmental advocacy organization. CLF works to solve the environmental problems that threaten the people, natural resources, and communities of New

England. CLF's advocates use law, economics, and science to design and implement strategies that conserve natural resources, protect public health, and promote vital communities in the region. CLF's major project areas include communities (land use, transportation reform, and public health); marine resources (fisheries management and marine environment protection); energy (power system restructuring, air quality, renewable energy, and efficiency); and natural resources (forest and waterways protection). CLF's marine resources project has worked for two and a half decades to institute pollution control and water quality improvements, prevent offshore oil and gas development, protect marine habitat, and rebuild New England's legendary fisheries. In 1995, Dr. Brooks served as co-chair of the Massachusetts Governor's Task Force on Aquaculture, and she currently chairs the New England Fishery Management Council's Social Sciences Advisory Committee. Raised in Baltimore, Maryland, she resides in Ipswich, Massachusetts with her husband, John Wigglesworth, and two children, Rosie and Nicholas.

**Martha Freeman, Director, Maine State Planning Office**

Martha Freeman took over as Director of the State Planning Office on September 2, 2003. Most recently, Martha served as Deputy Chief of Staff for Governor Baldacci. In this capacity, she focused on management issues and such policy matters as community colleges, education initiatives, and municipal restructuring. Prior to joining the administration, Freeman was the key policy person during the Baldacci for Governor campaign and the transition, convening groups of stakeholders and developing policies that would become the basis for the agenda of the new administration. Previously, Freeman served as Director of the Maine Legislature's Office of Policy and Legal Analysis and as a Special Assistant to the Attorney General. She has also been a public policy and management consultant, a counselor in private practice and a published author writing about the environment. Freeman has a law degree from the University of Maine School of Law and a master's degree from the University of Maine Graduate Program in Clinical Counseling.

**George D. Lapointe, Commissioner, Maine Department of Marine Resources**

Mr. Lapointe was appointed Commissioner of the Maine Department of Marine Resources in September 1998. George is a veteran state and federal marine fisheries manager. He received his BS in Wildlife Biology from the University of Massachusetts and holds a Master of Science in Wildlife from the University of Minnesota. Commissioner Lapointe formerly held the position of Director, Interstate Fisheries Management Program, with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC), Washington, DC from December 1994 - September 1998. George directed ASMFC's fishery management planning activities; supervised the preparation and implementation of fishery management plans for 19 Atlantic Coast species, seeking state-based solutions to fishery management issues; coordinated activities with state marine fisheries agencies, federal agencies, academic and scientific organizations, conservation organizations, and members of the public to promote efficiency, outreach and public participation in the ASMFC fishery process. Prior to ASMFC from 1991-94, Lapointe was Project Liaison, Proactive Strategies Project, International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Baton Rouge, LA. From 1989 - 1991, he was Legislative Counsel, International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Washington, D.C. From 1987-1989, he was Council Liaison, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, Washington, D.C., representing ASMFC as a non-voting member on three Atlantic Coast Councils. From 1985-87 he was Fisheries Management Specialist, Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC), Newport News, VA. Commissioner Lapointe currently resides in Hallowell with his wife and two sons.

**W. Don Hudson, Jr., President, Chewonki Foundation (private sector Councilor for ME)**

Don Hudson developed an interest in plants and ecology in the early 1970s while leading expeditions for the Chewonki Foundation in the wilds of Quebec. He followed that interest to the

slopes of Katahdin, and earned a Master's degree from the University of Vermont studying the reproductive biology of a rare Arctic plant. He then moved to Indiana University to complete doctoral studies on aspects of the origin and evolution of a domesticated plant, the tomato or husk tomato. Don became the Head Naturalist at Chewonki in 1982, was appointed Executive Director in 1991, and President in 1997. Don and several students at Chewonki surveyed Baxter State Park and the western Maine mountains for old-growth forest and alpine features in 1984 and 1985. He has served on the State's Endangered Plant Technical Advisory Committee and its successor, the Botanical Advisory Committee, which support the Natural Heritage program, and the New England Plant Conservation Program. As time permits, Don continues to search out rare plants in mountain haunts. Don has served as the President of the Maine Environmental Education Association and the Gulf of Maine Marine Education Association. He currently serves on the board of the National Marine Educators Association. Don was appointed by Governor Angus King to the Citizen Advisory Panel for the Decommissioning of Maine Yankee Atomic Power Station in 1997, and by Speaker Saxl to Maine's Advisory Commission on Radioactive Waste and Decommissioning in 2000. Governor King also appointed Don as the Public Sector representative of the Maine delegation to the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment in 2001. For the past ten years, Don has surveyed and documented the osprey population in mid-coast Maine—from the Damariscotta River to the New Meadows River. Don assists with the teaching of the science course, "Natural History of the Maine Coast," for Chewonki's Maine Coast Semester. Don lives in Arrowsic, Maine with his wife, Josephine Ewing, a botanist, gardener, and scientific illustrator, and their two sons, Charlie and Reuben.

#### **Brenda Fowlie, Minister, New Brunswick Department of Environment and Local Government**

Brenda Fowlie was first elected to the New Brunswick Legislative Assembly on June 7, 1999, as the member for the riding of Kennebecasis. She was re-elected on June 9, 2003. She was appointed to Cabinet to serve as Minister of the Environment and Local Government on June 27, 2003. Fowlie's work experience indicates a strong connection to her community. She was a councillor in the Town of Quispamsis from 1995 to 1999 and worked for many years as a school board trustee. She has worked as a newspaper columnist and hosted two talk shows on local community cable television, "Hot Topic" and "This Week." She has been active in the community, volunteering with the Rothesay Regional Police to help with community-based policing, the Lakefield Elementary School, and various other organizations. She lives in Quispamsis with her husband Ron and their two children, Colin and Megan.

#### **David Nathan Alward, Minister, New Brunswick Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture**

David Nathan Alward was elected to the New Brunswick Legislative Assembly in the provincial general election held June 7, 1999, as the member for Woodstock. He was the Chairman of the Legislature's Standing Committee on Crown Corporations. In addition, he was a member of the Select Committee to Review Appointments by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council and the Select Committee on Private Passenger Automobile Insurance. He was born December 2, 1959, in Beverly, Massachusetts, and is the son of the Reverend Ford and Mrs. Jean Alward. He graduated from Nackawic Senior High School and completed his Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology at Bryan College, Dayton, Tennessee. He has also completed course work toward a Master of Arts degree in Counselling Psychology as well as several seminars and workshops relating to group facilitation, conflict resolution, human resource development, and community development. Mr. Alward was employed with the federal government from 1982 until 1996, initially with Canada Customs and later, as program officer with Human Resources Development Canada. For the past three years he has been self-employed as a human resource development and community development consultant. In addition to his consulting

work, he and his family operate a small family farm in Riceville, N.B., where they raise purebred Hereford cattle and own and operate a small woodlot. Active in his community, he volunteered as an emergency medical technician and lab instructor with the Saint John Ambulance and as a firefighter with the Meductic Fire Department. He served on the board directors of the Carleton Regional Development Commission and the New Brunswick Hereford. He served on the Centennial Elementary School Parent Advisory Committee, the School District Stay-in-School Committee, and the local agricultural employment board. He has also been a volunteer in local recreational activities and student tutoring. He was re-elected as member for Woodstock on June 9, 2003, and sworn in as Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture on June 27, 2003. He and his wife Rhonda have two sons, Jonathan and Benjamin.

**Lee Sochasky, Executive Director, St. Croix International Waterway Commission (private sector Councilor for NB)**

Lee Sochasky has worked in natural resource and rural development fields along the Canada/US boundary for over thirty years. Ms. Sochasky is currently the Executive Director of the St. Croix International Waterway Commission, an organization that coordinates the delivery of a transboundary management plan for the St. Croix River corridor on the Maine/New Brunswick border. Since 1989, she has been responsible for planning, research, and management facilitation in fields that include land and water use, fisheries, recreation, heritage appreciation and economic development. In 1988-1989, Ms. Sochasky was the first executive director of Charlotte County Community Futures Inc., a rural economic development agency for southwestern New Brunswick. Her work to establish an economic recovery program for the region included the creation of the NB/ME "Quoddy Loop" tourism concept, school- and career-based training programs, and a county-wide low income housing cooperative. From 1971 to 1987, Ms. Sochasky held various positions with the Atlantic Salmon Federation in programs for Atlantic salmon research, conservation, protection, education and public involvement in Atlantic Canada and New England. Ms. Sochasky's volunteer activities have included participation in the national sailing instructor program, town planning, water monitoring, trail development, and heritage promotion. She holds a B.Sc. degree (Honours, Animal Behaviour) from McGill University, with post-graduate studies in marine biology and business management. Residing in St. Andrews, New Brunswick, she works daily in both New Brunswick and Maine to promote an international perspective to issues affecting the Gulf of Maine.

**Kerry Morash, Minister, Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Labour**

The Honorable Kerry Morash was born in Liverpool on November 29, 1958. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Acadia University and has Canadian Registered Safety Professional designation. He joined Bowater Mersey upon graduation and worked 18 years as safety co-ordinator in various sectors. He was first elected to the Legislative Assembly in July 1999; re-elected in August 2003. He was appointed caucus chair in June 2002. Minister Morash is married to Patricia Morash; they have twin daughters.

**Chris d'Entremont, Minister, Nova Scotia Department of Agriculture and Fisheries**

Minister d'Entremont was born October 31, 1969 in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. He graduated from the Loyalist College of Applied Arts and Technology in Belleville, Ontario. He worked as announcer at Radio CJLS and was employed as electronics salesperson for TriStar and for Camille d'Eon Boatbuilders. He is presently employed as development officer for South West Shore Development Authority. He was first elected to Legislative Assembly in August 2003. Executive assistant to former Finance Minister Neil LeBlanc. Member of Argyle Municipal Planning Commission. The minister is a member of the West Pubnico Fire Department, secretary to the West Pubnico Fireman's Club, a member of Dewey's Charitable Association, Yarmouth County Crime Prevention Association, Festival Acadien de Ste.-Anne du Ruisseau,

and the Rotary Club of Yarmouth. He is treasurer of South West Nova Scouting Council and treasurer and firefighter for Eel Brook and District Fire Department. He is married to Anne Muise and has two sons.

**Michael P. Nolin, Commissioner, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services**

Michael Nolin was appointed Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Services in May 2003. Prior to his appointment, he was the Corporate Vice President of Hoyle, Tanner & Associates, a Manchester engineering consulting firm. Prior to joining Hoyle, Tanner & Associates in 1987, he served as the Administrator of the Public Information & Permitting Unit of the Department of Environmental Services. While with HTA, Nolin was involved in managing a wide range of environmental and transportation projects. Nolin is a lifelong resident of New Hampshire, and has demonstrated a commitment to the state's environmental issues throughout his career. For several years in '70s, he was water quality director with the Lakes Region Commission, and he was a consultant on water quality issues in Rockingham County. Nolin has also served several New Hampshire governors on number of boards, from Gov. Walter Peterson to Gov. Benson. He is the longest serving member of the Transportation Enhancement Advisory Committee, having served under three governors. In addition to his position on the Lakes Region Planning Commission, he has served on the State Wetlands Board, and in 1995 was the Governor's designee to the Clean Air Act Study Committee. He currently belongs to a number of environmentally related professional associations and societies. While Nolin is "all business" on the job, his family is his "number one interest in life." He and his wife, Paulette, enjoy their four grown children and their four grandchildren. He is also known to enjoy a little golf, concerts, the Granite State Opera, and traveling abroad when time permits.

**David M. Haney, Bank of America, (private sector Councilor for NH)**

Mr. Haney, Regional Director, Fleet Bank, represents the Bank's community development interests in the States of Maine and New Hampshire. He has a BSBA from the University of Colorado where he was named Outstanding Male Business School Graduate. He graduated from the Prochnow School of Management, University of Wisconsin Graduate School of Business, and attended the Stanford University Bank Simulation Pilot Study Program. He has done further postgraduate work at The University of Colorado at Denver in Organizational Development. Mr. Haney is engaged in multiple community-based activities in the areas of affordable housing, economic development, diversity, and environmental issues. He has served on organizations supporting affordable housing including vice-chair of the New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority; founding Chair of the NH Community Reinvestment Corporation, founding member of the NH Workforce Housing Council; FNMA Northern New England Advisory Board; National Association of State Housing Agencies and Boards, New England Housing Council; NH & Maine Housing Forums; and Seacoast, Upper Valley, and Nashua Workforce Housing Coalitions. In support of economic development, Mr. Haney has served as Chair of COMBINET – Community & Business Information Network; Chair of Amoskeag Small Business Incubator; NH Community Development Finance Authority, SEED Advisory Board; NH and NE Associations of Economic Development; NHEDA Curriculum Planning Committee; Alliance of Regional Economic Development Associations, Board; Seacoast Technology Incubator Planning Committee; Manchester Enterprise Community (EC/EZ) Advisory Board; Intown Manchester, Economic Development Working Committee; Four Directions Native American CDFI and Advisory Board. Mr. Haney serves on organizations dedicated to diversity including as chair of NH Champions of Diversity; Fleet NH & ME Regional Diversity Leadership Councils; NH Minority Health Coalition; One Community, Disability/Minority Planning Committee; Nashua Ethnic Awareness Committee; New England Minority Health Planning Committee; and NH Community Leaders of Color. David serves on environmental organizations

as a Councilor on the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment and Secretary/Treasurer of the US Gulf of Maine Association.

David Haney's community interests include serving as Chair of Manchester Neighborhood Housing Services, (Founding Chair); New England & National Advisory Councils, Neighborhood Reinvestment Dartmouth Hitchcock Hospital, Assembly of Overseers; Kids Count Cabinet, NH Children's Alliance; Plan NH; and Puppy raiser for the Guide Dog Foundation for The Blind. Recognition and Awards include SBA Financial Services Advocate of the Year in 2002; Fleet Community Development Officer of the Year in 2002; NH Bankers Association, Community Banker of Year, Nominee 2003; BankBoston, Golden Eagle Award for Volunteerism, 1999; and Leadership NH, Class of 1999.

## **GOM FEDERAL PARTNERS**

### **Pat Kurkul, Northeast Regional Administrator, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service**

Ms. Kurkul has been Northeast Regional Administrator for the National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries) since 1999. In that capacity, she is responsible for the development of policy and the implementation of management programs for the living marine resources of the northeastern United States. She is also a member of the New England and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Councils, and of several other regional Natural resource related bodies. Ms. Kurkul is a career government employee having been with NOAA Fisheries since 1980. She began with the organization as an economist. Her experience at NOAA Fisheries also includes a period as a senior policy analyst and as Office Director for Sustainable Fisheries. She has a Bachelors and a Masters Degree in Resource Economics.

### **Jackie Olsen, Environment Canada**

Jacqueline Olsen joined the Federal Government in 1980 after gaining private industry experience in the banking field. During her 22 years with Parks Canada, Jacqueline served on both the Pacific and Atlantic coasts beginning at Jasper and Pacific Rim National Parks, Kitwanga and Fort St. James National Historic Sites, then moving east in 1990 to assume the responsibilities of Corporate Director at Fundy National Park in New Brunswick. Jacqueline has served a variety of functions during her career from Corporate Services to Project Management, Visitor Services and Public Education. Her Senior Management level positions with Parks Canada include Superintendent of the New Brunswick South Field Unit, Director of the Atlantic Service Centre, and Director of Management Services for Eastern Canada. In February 2002, Jacqueline joined Environment Canada as the Director of Corporate Affairs responsible for Corporate Communications, Strategic Planning and Community Programs (EcoAction, Community Animation Program, Sustainable Communities Initiative, and Atlantic Coastal Action Program). She holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Saint Mary's University, Halifax), a Master of Business Administration (Dalhousie University, Halifax), and has a Human Resources designation (CPPMA). Jacqueline has a long-standing interest and dedication in the area of people management and considers team-building to be an important aspect of her job.

### **Linda Murphy, Region 1, US Environmental Protection Agency**

### **Faith Scattolon, Director, Oceans Act Coordination Office, Fisheries and Oceans Canada**

Ms. Scattolon graduated from Dalhousie University in 1980 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology. Ms. Scattolon began her career with DFO in 1981 working in DFO's Science Branch, Invertebrate Division, on cephalopod research programs and developing fisheries for offshore and inshore surf clams. Ms. Scattolon assumed increasing management responsibilities and began working in DFO's Fisheries Management Branch in 1987, first as Manager of the Regional Commercial Fisheries Licensing Program, and then in 1990 as Senior Fisheries

Management Advisor for Invertebrate Fisheries along the Scotian Shelf and in the Bay of Fundy. In 1992 and 1993, Ms. Scattolon worked as the Atlantic Officer on a special team established within DFO to design a new legislature framework for managing commercial fisheries. In 1994, Ms. Scattolon was appointed Senior Assistant to the Regional Director-General, Maritimes Region, DFO. Ms. Scattolon was appointed Director of the Oceans Act Coordination Office in October 1997. The Office, established at that time, is a multidisciplinary office tasked with coordinating implementation of the Oceans Act in the Maritimes.