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Dear Mr. Hicks Owher

Subject: Bridgeporth Holdings Ltd. and JEBCO Seismic Company North Flemish Pass Gravity Survey, 2015 to 2019 Environmental Assessment Report Addendum

As requested, DFO has reviewed the submitted response and EA Amendment against our previous comments (submitted March 13, 2015). While the June 2015 EA Amendment addresses most of our March 13, 2015 comments; a few comments have not been addressed. Specifically:

# Section 2.1 Project Name and Location, page 8

Coordinates are corrected however there is a typo in Table 2.1 and 2.2 in which the 5<sup>th</sup> set of coordinates are a duplication of the 1<sup>st</sup> set of coordinates.

# Section 5.8.2 Marine Mammals, pages 46-47

 The comment does not appear to be addressed – the added text and dates could not be located.

#### Section 5.8.4 Species at Risk, page 48

Regarding "Right whale is corrected." It still reads "North American right whale..." which
is incorrect.

#### Section 5.8.4.1 Marine Mammals, page 48

The comment does not appear to be addressed - the modified text could not be located.

# Section 5.8.4.2 Sea Turtles, page 49

 The comment does not appear to be addressed, i.e. Loggerhead Turtle is not listed on Schedule 1 of SARA and should be corrected – the modified text could not be located.



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### Section 6.4 Species at Risk, page 83

The comment does not appear to be addressed. It is recommended to identify the population/designatable unit and clarify which species are listed as Species at Risk under Schedule 1 of SARA and those that are assessed by COSEWIC.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding the above you can contact

Regards,

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