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Mr. Hicks,

## Re: Electromagentic Geoservices Canada Inc. East Canada CSEM Survey, 2014-18 Amendment

The Fish, Food and Allied Workers Union (FFAW-Unifor) would like to respectfully submit the following comments in connection with the "Amendment to the Environmental Assessment of EMGS East Canada CSEM Survey, 2014-2018". FFAW-Unifor engages in reviews and consultations with the Petroleum Industry on behalf of our far-reaching membership throughout the province of Newfoundland and Labrador (NL).

The commercial fishery is very important to the many rural communities in NL. Members of FFAW-Unifor live in these communities and rely on the resources covered by the spatial boundaries of this program.

There are a few items in the document that FFAW-Unifor would like to comment on:

- Prior to receiving this Environmental Assessment Amendment for review, FFAW-Unifor is not aware of any consultation process since the preparation for the 2014 survey activities.
- On page 8 of the Environmental Assessment Amendment, it is apparent that the first sentence is a remnant of a copy and paste process from an amendment to another company's Environmental Assessment

It is of utmost importance that the proponent diligently pursues the consultation process with all other ocean users. This is especially of importance as this program has seismic vessels operating within active harvesting areas and other petroleum exploration projects. The Petroleum Industry Liaison with FFAW-Unifor is available to assist in arranging consultation sessions specifically aimed at those active within the fishing industry.

Yours truly, Jóhan Joensen Petroleum Industry Liaison