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Dear Ms. Young:

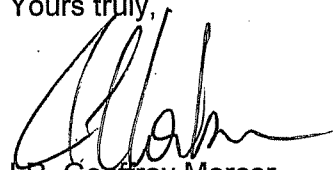
**RE: Hebron Development Project – EC review of Proponent Information EAS 2009-056J
Response Part 1**

As requested in your March 21, 2011 correspondence, Environment Canada (EC) has reviewed the proponent response to Part 1 review comments for the Hebron Project. EC's responses are attached for your consideration.

I would like to draw your attention to EMCP Comment 129: EC 46 in particular. The proponent's response to our request for follow-up regarding attraction of marine birds to platforms is still inadequate. EC understands that consideration of the need for follow-up programs is a factor to be considered under the comprehensive study process. We cannot accept deferral of such consideration until after the EA is complete.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Glenn Troke (709-772-4087, Glenn.Troke@ec.gc.ca) who is coordinating the department's participation in the comprehensive study.

Yours truly,


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Attachment

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