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Mr. Darren Hicks, Environmental Analyst  
Canada Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board  
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Dear Mr. Hicks:

The Department of National Defence (DND) has reviewed the **ExxonMobil Canada Properties – Jeanne d'Arc Basin Hebron Field Geohazard Survey Program, 2010 Environmental Assessment** conducted pursuant to the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* provided on 18 March 2010.

At this time, DND has the following comments:

- It is suggested that consultation with DND be listed in the EA document in *Section 3.0 Stakeholder Consultation* and that information provided below be included in *Section 4.0 Physical Environment* of the document and included in the assessment as appropriate;
- Promulgate actual work locations as per Navigation to Ship notices (NOTSHIPS);
- DND will be transiting through the area en route to northern latitudes during the timeframe provided by ExxonMobil Canada; and
- Based on the information that MARLANT currently holds, UXO sites do not occur in the area of Hebron.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Carol Lee Giffin  
Formation Safety and Environmental Officer  
for Commander