

July 17, 2013

Mr. Rob Dunphy Environmental Lead Hibernia Management Development Company Suite 1000, 100 New Gower Street St. John's, NL A1C 6K3

Dear Mr. Dunphy

Re: HMDC Ltd. 2D/3D/4D Seismic Projects for the Hibernia Oil and Gas Production Field, 2013 to Remaining Life of Field Environmental Assessment

The Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board (C-NLOPB), in consultation with the Board's fishery and environmental review agencies, have reviewed the above referenced environmental assessment (EA) report.

The EA report does not satisfy all of the information requirements outlined in the Scoping Document provided to HMDC Ltd. on March 4, 2013. In order to satisfy the requirements of the *Canada-Newfoundland Atlantic Accord Implementation Act* and the *Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Newfoundland and Labrador Act* and to complete a report on the C-NLOPB's determination at the conclusion of the assessment, the attached comments should be addressed.

You may contact me at your convenience to discuss these comments. I can be reached at (709-778-1431 or by email at <u>dhicks@cnlopb.nl.ca</u>

Yours truly,

Original signed by Darren Hicks

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cc D. Burley