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Dear Mr. Hicks:

**Subject:** Husky Energy Environmental Assessment Review for 2013


DFO has reviewed the document entitled "*Husky Energy Environmental Assessment Review 2013*" dated November 2012. The scope of the assessment and mitigations committed in the three environmental assessments referenced in the document remain technically valid. However, DFO is providing the following comments for your consideration.

Page 7: The document indicates that "*Some modifications will be required to the NDC to allow connection of the gas injection line to SWRX*". Husky has indicated to DFO that modifications will include the removal and disposal of drill cuttings outside the area associated with Authorizations No. 02-01-001 and 07-01-002. Once available provide DFO with further details on the volume of cuttings to be removed and the location of disposal. Additionally, DFO would like to discuss the opportunity to monitor drill cuttings adjacent to the drill centers to determine the extent and magnitude of dispersion.

Page 12: Please be advised that conditions and mitigations outlined in Section 35(2) *Fisheries Act* Authorization No. 07-01-002 remains valid until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015. However it is recommended that Husky Energy contact DFO to discuss future excavation activities including West White Rose Extension and North White Rose Extension, to ensure the conditions of the Authorization, in particular the authorized impacts to fish habitat which total 94,500m<sup>2</sup>, are adhered to.

If you have any questions, please contact Jason Kelly by phone at (709) 772-8889 or by e-mail at Jason.Kelly@dfo-mpo.gc.ca.

Yours sincerely,

  
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