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

As requested, the Department of National Defence (DND) has reviewed the report entitled "Environmental Assessment Northeast Newfoundland Slope 2-D Seismic Survey Programme 2012-2017 Multi Klient Invest AS" authored by YOLO Environmental April 2012.

DND provided comments on the project in January 2012 as per attached; however, the comments are not represented in the EA report. DND requests these comments be included in the report.

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

**Federal Coordination Regulations
Section 6 - Record of Determination**

Project Title: Northeast Newfoundland Slope 2D Seismic Program, 2012-2017
Location: Northeast Newfoundland Slope
Proponent: Multi Klient Invest AS

FEDERAL AUTHORITY: Department of National Defence
NAME & TITLE: Carol Lee Griffin, Operations Safety and Environment Officer
SIGNATURE: [Redacted] **DATE:** 31 Jan 12

In accordance with the Section 6 of the Federal Coordination Regulations, under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* (CEAA), the Federal Authority identified above, has reviewed the project description and advises you of the following:

(a) it is **likely** to require an environmental assessment of the project ☐

Trigger ☐ Proponent ☐ Funding
☐ Land Transfer ☐ Law List

Law List Trigger: _____

(b) it is **not likely** to require an environmental assessment of the project ☒

(c) it is **in possession** of specialist or expert information or knowledge that is necessary to conduct the environmental assessment of the project ☒

1. DND is likely to be operating in the vicinity of the study area in a non-interference manner during the project timeframe.

2. A search of the UXO records was conducted to determine the possible presence of UXO within the Proponent's survey area.

Our records indicate that there are two WWII vintage U-Boat shipwrecks present within the survey area (see attached).

Given our understanding of the survey activities to be conducted, the associated UXO risk is assessed as negligible. Nonetheless, due to the inherent dangers associated with UXO and the fact that the Atlantic Ocean was exposed to many naval engagements during WWII, should any suspected UXO be encountered during the course of the Proponent's operations, it should not be disturbed/manipulated. The Proponent should mark the location and immediately inform the Coast Guard. Additional information is available in the 2011 Annual Edition - Notices to Mariners, Section F, No.37.

In the event of activities which may have contact with the seabed (such as drilling or mooring), it is strongly advised that operational aids, such as remote operated vehicles, be used to conduct a seabed survey in order to prevent unintentional contact with harmful UXO items that may have gone unreported or undetected.

Further UXO general information is available at our website at www.uxocanada.forces.gc.ca

OR

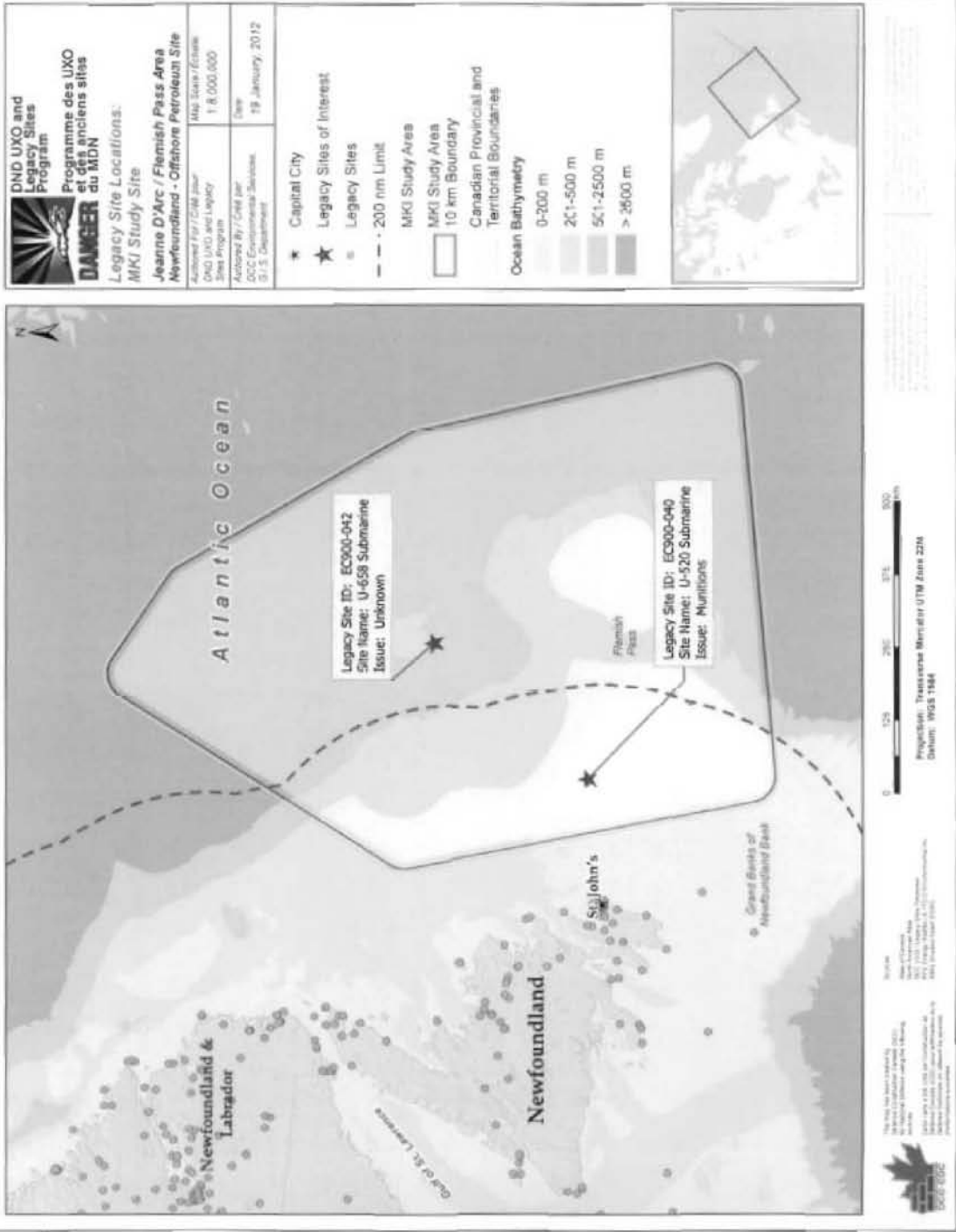
(d) additional information is required to make a determination ☐

If the answer to (d) is "yes", the Regulations require that the additional information be requested within 10 days after making the determination.

Identify the contact person for the environmental assessment, if different from above.

Name & Title: _____
Address: _____
Telephone/Fax: _____
e-mail: _____

Please return via fax, by **December 29, 2011**, to:
Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board, attention: Darren Hicks
Fax Number 709-778-1432



ID	Legacy Site	Site Name	Latitude	Longitude	Proximity Code	Type Name	Issue Codes	LS Keywords
6363	EC900-040	U-520 Submarine	47.7833	-49.1333	EC	Underwater - Offshore	M	
6365	EC900-042	U-528 Submarine	50.0083	-46.5333	EC	Underwater - Offshore		