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Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2017 5:11 PM
To: Hicks, Darren
Cc: ECCC
Subject: ECCC Response 2013-130: Multi Klient Invest AS Southern Grand Banks Seismic Program, 2014 to 2018

Darren,

ECCC acknowledges the 2017 update for the MKI Southern Grand Banks Seismic Program (2014-2018).

ECCC-CWS offers the following comments.

* ECCC-CWS-01 General Comment

Due to the recent change in name of Environment Canada to Environment and Climate Change Canada, references to the departmental name and associated acronyms (i.e. EC-CWS to ECCC-CWS) should be updated accordingly.

* ECCC-CWS-02 EC-SAS Database

ECCC-CWS has a mobile version of the Eastern Canada Seabirds at Sea (ECSAS) database that can be provided to the proponent, which will facilitate data entry. The MMO or delegated personnel can enter data into the database while undertaking observations, with little to no need for post-processing.

* ECCC-CWS-03 Section 4.5 Species at Risk

Ivory Gull are associated with pack ice, which at its most southerly extent is typically approximately 100 kilometers from the project boundary, which is within normal foraging range. Ivory Gull is listed as "Endangered" on Schedule 1 of the Species at Risk Act. This bird may occur over the project site when pack ice is near the area, and should be included in this section and in Table 4.6.

* ECCC-CWS-04 Section 4.5 Species at Risk

The Red Phalarope has been assessed by COSEWIC and has been granted a COSEWIC status of "Special Concern". The Red Phalarope is not currently listed under the Species at Risk Act. This bird may occur over the project site in migration, and should be included in this section and in Table 4.6.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding our comments.

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Good day All: As part of the C-NLOPB's environmental assessment process, and as outlined in our determination reports for multi-year projects, at the time of application for authorizations for works or activities that were previously assessed, Operators must provide environmental information to the Board. As stated in our determination reports, this information should outline the proposed activities, confirm that the proposed program activities fall within the scope of the previously assessed program, and indicate if, with this information, the EA predictions remain valid. In addition, the Operator shall provide information regarding the adaptive management of requirements of the SARA into program activities (e.g., introduction of new species or critical habitat to Schedule 1; additional mitigations; implementation of recovery strategies and/or monitoring plans).

Attached is a recent submission from MKI AS for proposed activities in 2017 that addresses the above information requirements. I am forwarding it for your information and to provide you with an update of their activities for this year. If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

More information may be found at <http://www.cnlopb.ca/assessments/mkisgbss.php>

Regards
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