



August 01, 2007

Mr. Vegard Gunleiksrud
Norsk Hydro Canada Oil & Gas Inc.
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Dear Mr. Gunleiksrud:

**Re: Norsk Hydro Canada Oil & Gas Inc. Seismic Survey Program
 Jeanne d’Arc Basin Area, 2008 - 2016
 CEA Act Environmental Assessment**

In accordance with the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* (CEAA) and based on the information presented in the project description “*Norsk Hydro Canada Oil & Gas Inc. Project Description Seismic Survey Program for Jeanne d’Arc Basin Area, 2008 – 2016*” (Norsk Hydro Canada Oil & Gas Inc. 2007), the Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board (C-NLOPB) has determined that a screening level of environmental assessment is required for the proposed seismic survey program.

The C-NLOPB has determined the scope of the project, the factors to be assessed, and the scope of those factors (the Scoping Document). A copy of the Scoping Document is attached for your information and use in preparation of the environmental assessment report. Please note, as stated on page 1 of the Scoping Document,

The C-NLOPB intends that the environmental impact statement submitted with any supporting documents as may be necessary, will fulfill the requirements for a Screening. The C-NLOPB, therefore, pursuant to Section 17 (1) of the CEAA, formally delegate the responsibility for preparation of an acceptable Screening environmental assessment to Norsk Hydro Canada Oil & Gas Inc., the project proponent. The C-NLOPB will prepare the Screening Report, which will include the determination of significance.

If you have any questions regarding the CEEA environmental assessment process or wish to discuss the Scope of Project, I may be reached at 709-778-4232 or via email at eyoung@cnlopb.nl.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by EA Young

Elizabeth Young
Environmental Analyst

Attachment

cc D. Burley