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Re: Polarcus UK Ltd. Eastern Newfoundland Offshore 2D, 3D and 4D Seismic Program, 2016 to 2022

Dear Darren,

Thank you for providing the Fish, Food and Allied Workers (FFAW|UNIFOR) with the opportunity to comment on the draft scoping document for Polarcus UK Ltd. Eastern Newfoundland Offshore 2D, 3D and 4D Seismic Program, 2016 to 2022.

As the proposed work is set to occur between May 1 and November 30 of one or multiple years, this will coincide with the fishing seasons for a number of valuable commercial species. As the proposed project area overlaps with important fishing grounds, we hope for continued consultation and open communication with our organization as to ensure no negative effects on fish harvesting and stocks.

The Industry Post-Season Snow Crab Survey also occurs in the fall and we request that no seismic activity occur near stations until these survey stations are complete. Again, continued communication is absolutely necessary.

We will be consulting with Polarcus UK Ltd. today to discuss the pre-planning of the project and to discuss the importance of minimizing potential conflicts and effects on fishing activity.

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to provide input on this draft. Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time if you require further information.

Sincerely,


Projects Coordinator

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