## REGIONAL ASSESSMENT OF OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS EXPLORATORY DRILLING EAST OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Technical Advisory Group (TAG) Session on Marine and Migratory Birds September 10, 2019

## QUESTIONS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PARTICIPANT INPUT FORM

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Key information and datasets

a) Do you have any suggestions for marine and migratory bird related datasets and information sources that should be considered in the Regional Assessment?

Do you have any suggestions for the analysis, use and presentation of marine and migratory bird data in the

Regional Assessment?

-include magovernment, NGO & academic sources, & consider that Some information may not be published but it is accessible

2) Important and/or sensitive aspects of marine and migratory birds

a) Are there any particularly important and/or sensitive aspects of marine and migratory birds that the Regional Assessment and its recommendations should focus on (e.g., locations, times, species, etc.)?

-also include metadada (breeding success, population demographics, species at risk status)

Potential interactions between offshore exploratory drilling and marine and migratory birds

a) In addition to the issues and interactions listed in the backgrounder for this session, are there any others that should be considered in the Regional Assessment?

-large data gaps exist for this region - expand to include data from other regions (how has oil & gas affected other bird populations in other regions?)

Existing and potential mitigation and follow-up requirements

a) In addition to the standard measures listed in the backgrounder for this session, do you have any suggestions for any required new or different ones?

b) Do you have any suggestions for issue- or situation-specific (certain activities, areas, times) measures that should be considered?

-mitigation isn't affective unless its regulated & mandatory. Are these 'must dos' or consideration 5?

- meed improvement to regulatory requirements

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5) Do you have any other input or recommendations that you would like to provide to the Committee on this topic?

-make monitoring 2 enforcing regulatory requirements & mitigation measures more accessible by deploying full time vessel or platform of idependent observers to better assess what is accurring in the even expanding oil & qas community

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