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To whom it may concern;

I commend the federal government for conducting a Regional Assessment for a large offshore area rather than conducting assessments on a well by well basis. As it is very important to conduct an environmental assessment, it should be done on a regional basis to determine the impacts once and for all so that economic development of the area is robust.

It is imperative that we drill these wells soon rather than later in the interest of using the resource in a responsible manner while oil and gas is still in demand on a global basis. If we as a country do not develop this resource for the world, in a responsible manner for the betterment of Canadians and local residents, investors will go elsewhere and develop in possibly a less responsible jurisdiction with possibly less responsible methods. We need these wells drilled for Canada's economic success. This can then be used to invest in renewable energy and long lasting success of our country.

Regards
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