

November 1, 2013

Mr. Greg Janes Team Lead, Environment, Emergency response and Security Suncor Energy Suite 201, Scotia Centre, 235 Water Street St. John's, NL A1C 1B6

Dear Mr. Janes

Re: Suncor Energy Eastern Newfoundland Offshore Area 2D/3D/4D Seismic Program, 2014-2024 Environmental Assessment

In accordance with Section 138(1)(b) of the *Canada-Newfoundland Atlantic Accord Implementation Act* and Section 134(1)(b) of the *Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Newfoundland and Labrador Act* and based on the information presented in the project description "Suncor Energy Eastern Newfoundland Offshore Area 2D/3D/4D Seismic Program, 2014-2024, Project Description" (Suncor Energy October 2013), the Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board (C-NLOPB) has determined that an environmental assessment is required for the proposed offshore seismic 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 2 of the Scoping Document,

The C-NLOPB formally delegates the responsibility for preparation of an acceptable environmental assessment report and any supporting documents to Suncor Energy, the project proponent.

During the review of the draft Scoping Document, regulatory agencies provided review comments. These comments have been consolidated and are attached for your consideration in the preparation of the environmental assessment report.

If you have any questions regarding the environmental assessment process, or wish to discuss the Scope of Project or the attached comments, I may be reached at 709-778-1431 or via email at <u>dhicks@cnlopb.nl.ca</u>.

Yours truly,

Original signed by Darren Hicks

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Attachments cc E. Young