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File No.: 4194-10

Mr. Darren Hicks
Canada Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Board
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Dear Mr. Hicks:

RE: White Rose Extension Project – Project Description and Scoping EAS 2012-121A Document

Thank you for your letter of June 7, 2012, requesting that Environment Canada (EC) identify its interests in this proposal in accordance with the Federal Coordination Regulations under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA). It is understood that the CNLOPB has already confirmed its responsibilities for ensuring an environmental assessment of the proposed development is conducted in accordance with the Act.

Based on the information provided and as indicated on the attached form, this project may require an ocean disposal permit pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA). Where such a permit is required, EC is responsible for ensuring an environmental assessment is conducted in accordance with the CEAA before deciding whether the permit can be granted. Therefore, Environment Canada will be a responsible Authority for this project.

EC was unable to complete review of the draft scoping document within the period provided. Comments on the draft scope will follow as soon as possible.

I trust that this information will be of assistance in your review of this proposal. If you wish to discuss these comments or have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Yours truly,

Original Signed by Glenn Troke

Glenn Troke
Environmental Assessment Coordinator
Environmental Protection Operations Directorate/NL

cc Michael Hingston

**Federal Coordination Regulations
Environment Canada Section 6 Response**

Project Title:

Location/Province:

Proponent:

Notification Date:

EAS #

In accordance with the Federal Coordination Regulations (Section 6), under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA), Environment Canada (EC) has reviewed the project description, and wishes to advise you of the following:

EC is likely to be a Responsible Authority (RA), and thus require an environmental assessment under Section 5 of CEAA.

Trigger Type: Proponent Land Transfer
 Funding Law List

Law List Item :

OR

EC is NOT likely to be a Responsible Authority (RA).

OR

Additional information (below) is required to determine if EC is likely to be an RA.

EC is in possession of expert and specialist information that is necessary to conduct an environmental assessment of this project.

Original Signed by Glenn Troke	(709) 772-4087	June 25, 2012
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Reviewer, Environment Canada (Atlantic Region)
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Date