

EARLE MCCURDY PRESIDENT P.O. BOX 10, 368 HAMILTON AVE. ST. JOHN'S NL A1C 5H5 TELEPHONE (709) 576-7276 TELEFAX (709) 576-1521 WWW.FFAW.NF.CA

DAVID DECKER SECRETARY-TREASURER

Friday, July 19, 2013

Darren Hicks
Environmental Analyst
Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board
140 Water Street, 5th Floor, TD Place
St. John's, NL A1C 6H6

Mr. Hicks,

Having reviewed the responses provided by Husky Energy to the Canada-Newfoundland & Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board (CNLOPB) dated June 2013, I respectfully provide the below follow up regarding the White Rose Extension Project (WREP).

The Fish, Food and Allied Workers Union (FFAW) is looking forward to be engaged by Husky Energy on the matter of the Fisheries Liaison Committee as soon as there is a decision made whether they move ahead with the Wellhead Platform option.

Although the immediate impact of environmental effects is localized, it is prudent to give consideration to Placentia Bay as a whole. Any displacement of harvesting efforts will have an impact on other harvesters in Placentia Bay. Displacing harvesting effort does not eliminate it, what happens is that the remaining space will experience a higher density of effort – this is the reason for the broader contextual discussion of Placentia Bay.

Regardless of what Husky Energy believes to be of value to take under consideration, the FFAW would suggest that the dramatic changes that have been seen within a relatively short time horizon are a justification to consider data pre-moratorium. Although Husky Energy suggests that a longer timeframe of date will not demonstrate the importance and value of the commercial fisheries for the future, it is a given that looking at a larger picture will necessarily give a better indication of the possible changes that can happen. Giving a perspective how the fishery has been shaped within environmental circumstances that vary greatly, will scope within which it is possible to fishery to be taking place.

The FFAW does not recall a consultation (or even information sharing) taking place regarding the change of the Safety Zone to include the SWRX. If there had been consultation (or even information sharing) everyone who attended the consultation for the WREP would not have been caught off-guard when the changed Safety Zones was used in the consultation presentation for the WREP. Therefore, looking at the response from Husky Energy it is correct that the consultation for the WREP occurred before Husky Energy realized that the information being used for the consultation was not appropriate.

Yours truly,

Jóhan Joensen Petroleum Industry Liaison