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From: Peter Baker [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2012 02:16 PM
To: Kelly, Sean
Subject: Fw: comments:Old Harry

Sean, I attended the meetings at Iles de Madelienes last April and enjoyed meeting you. I understand Jan. 18 is one of the deadlines for submissions to the board. I hope these comments are pertinent to the board, Thank you, Peter W Baker [REDACTED]

----- Original Message -----

From: [Peter Baker](#)
To: EL1105publicreview@cnlopbnl.ca
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2012 1:27 PM
Subject: comments:Old Harry

Mr. Richard, I want to submit that I support and agree with the comments emailed to your enquiry dated January 10th 2012 by Tony Reddin. As an owner of a P.E.I. business dependent on tourism, I strongly urge the CNLOPB set up a fund to cover damages to the tourism industry on P.E.I. in case of an oil spill that could occur from an exploratory or production well development in the gulf of St. Lawrence. Negative impacts to tourism have occurred in Florida even in areas unaffected by oil from the Deepwater Horizon disaster. Just the perception by potential tourists to Florida that beaches there would be ruined by oil kept them away in droves. This situation was studied and reported by the U.S Travelers association, I can forward a copy of the report if you like. Figures from this report showed at least a 50% drop in tourism numbers for Florida as a result of the blowout. The P.E.I. tourism industry currently grosses nearly \$500 million annually, by 2015 it's predicted by the tourism department that tourism growth will exceed this figure. Taking into account the losses to the P.E.I. fishing industry in the case of a spill and the expected cascade effects through out the P.E.I. economy, it wouldn't be inordinate to expect damages approaching \$1 billion to P.E.I. alone. We are one small province among five bordering the Gulf of St. Lawrence. It would be expected that the 4 other provinces would demand a reparations/damages fund as well. I appreciate the opportunity to forward my comments, Peter W. Baker, [REDACTED]

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