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Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment Minister Kevin Aylward has announced the following events relative to the Environmental Assessment Act.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Cochrane Pond Poultry Compost Operation
Proponent: Mitchell Farms Inc.

The proponent plans to develop a composting operation near Cochrane Pond in the St. John's Agricultural Development Area to assist in the disposing of chicken broiler manure from the former Integrated Poultry Limited (IPL) facility. Approximately 6 acres of land will be required for the composting part of the operation, and another 75 acres of drained peat bog will be required for the production of compost. The composting method will be by windrows which consists of long rows ranging in size up to 2.75 metres high and 6 metres in width. Approximately 200 to 500 truck loads of broiler manure is planned to be utilized per year which will be incorporated with peat harvested by being drained, rotovated and extracted in layers by vacuum technology. The project was registered on April 25, 2002; public comments are due by May 30, 2002; and the Minister's decision is due by June 9, 2002.

New World Island Access Road
Proponent: Cottle's Island Lumber Co. Ltd. (Rex Philpott, President)

The proponent intends to construct 1,200 metres of 6-metre wide Class C-2 access road from the paved highway (Route 340) just North of the Boyd's Cove Causeway to a proposed wharf for off-loading of barged pulpwood and sawlogs. Four to six barges per year are expected with 5,000 - 10,000 cubic metres each of wood that will be stored at the site until it can be further transported by road for processing. It is anticipated that construction will start in early June. The project was registered on April 25, 2002; public comments are due by May 30, 2002; and the Minister's decision is due by June 9, 2002.

The Minister encourages all interested parties to become involved and to make comments known. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-2562 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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