Department of Environment
Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

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

NEW UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

CBPP Five Year Forest Mgmt Plan Dist 15 (Corner Brook) 2003-07 Proponent: Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited

The proponent has submitted a five year operating plan for Forest Management District 15, which is centrally located around the Corner Brook Area. District 15 is primarily bounded by Grand Lake to the east, Gallants to the south, and Gros Morne National Park to the north. The plan covers the operating period from January 2003 to December 2007. It describes past forestry activities, wood supply and harvesting, silviculture activities, road construction and environmental protection. The plan describes a potential harvest of 288,400 cubic meters of timber each year (1,442,000 cubic meters total). Planned construction of 300 kilometers of primary forest access roads. Also proposed are silviculture treatment on 5,500 hectares by pre-commercial thinning and 1,500 hectares by planting. The undertaking was registered on July 25, 2002; public comments are due on August 30, 2002; and, the Minister's decision is due on September 8, 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:

Director, Environmental Assessment Division Department of Environment West Block, Confederation Building P.O. Box 8700, St. John's, NF, A1B 4J6

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

(1) Cochrane Pond Poultry Compost Operation Proponent: Mitchell Farms Inc.

The above project has been released from further environmental assessment on July 23, 2002 subject to obtaining any other permits and approvals from municipal, provincial, or federal authorities. The

proponent must obtain a Certificate of Approval for a Waste Management System under the Environmental Protection Act. This Certificate of Approval will require submission of hydrogeological data and will stipulate environmental protection measures such as leachate control, buffer zones, etc.

(2) Come By Chance Refinery Butane Storage facility Proponent: North Atlantic Refining Limited

(3) Crown Forest Management District 4 Amendment Proponent: Department of Forest Resources and Agrifoods

(4) Labrador City Special Waste Transfer Station Proponent: Matrix Environmental Incorporated

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