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Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment Minister Kevin Aylward has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

(1) Expansion of Distribution Line - Hampden
Proponent: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro

(2) Crown Forest Mgmt District 2 (Come By Chance) Amendment
Proponent: Department of Forest Resources and Agrifoods

The above project has been released from further environmental assessment subject to compliance with any other Acts and Regulations and to the following conditions:

The proposed amendment area may contain, *Erioderma pedicellatum*, a rare lichen which is presently listed as special concern by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC), and listed as vulnerable under the Province's *Endangered Species Act*. Therefore,

- The area must be surveyed for *Erioderma* lichen prior to any harvesting activity taking place.
- Should the findings of the survey indicate the presence of *Erioderma* lichen, then:
 - the locations must be provided to the Inland Fish and Wildlife Division, Department of Tourism, Culture and Recreation;
 - a 20 metre no-cut buffer must be established around sites; and,
 - domestic loggers must be adequately informed of the presence of this rare lichen and mitigative measures for their protection.

(3) Crown Forest Mgmt District 2 (Burgoyne's Cove) Amendment
Proponent: Department of Forest Resources and Agrifoods

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