Department of Environment Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment Minister Bob Mercer has announced the following event relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Sop's Arm/Jackson's Arm Hiking Trail Proponent: White Bay South Development Association

The proponent proposes to develop a system of hiking trails that would run between Sop's Arm and Jackson's Arm in White Bay South. The trail system would consist of existing snowmobile trails and new trails with a total length of 19.86 kilometres. Proposed project activities include clearing vegetation; construction of boardwalks, stream crossings, and lookout benches; and surfacing the trail. The proponent anticipates that construction will begin in late spring and be completed by fall, 2003.

The undertaking was registered April 24, 2003; public comments are due June 2, 2003; and, the Minister's decision is due June 8, 2003.

The Minister encourages all interested parties to become involved and to make comments known. Comments on submitted documents are invited from the public, addressed in writing to the Minister, and are welcome prior to the deadline date shown.

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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