Department of Environment and Conservation Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment and Conservation Minister Tom Osborne has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

(1) Conche Nordhaven Landing Resort Development (Reg. 1227) Proponent: Nordhaven Landing Inc.

The proponent proposes to construct and operate a five star luxury Scandinavian style lodge and restaurant, as well as 32 luxury chalets on a 95 hectare parcel of land approximately 1 kilometre east of Conche, on the Northern Peninsula. The resort complex will be serviced by a new road network, septic systems and individual drilled wells. Electricity will be provided by an underground electrical distribution system. Construction is planned to begin with the main access road in the Fall of 2006, followed by the lodge and restaurant in 2007 through 2008, and continuing with chalet construction during the next 6 to 10 years. The undertaking was registered on November 22, 2005; public comments are due by December 27, 2005; and, the Minister's decision is due by January 6, 2006.

(2) L'Anse-au-Diable Mink Fur Farm & Feed Kitchen West St. Modeste (Reg. 1228) Proponent: Labrador Fur Farms Ltd.

The proponent proposes to construct a mink fur farm at L'Anse-au-Diable and a feed kitchen at West St. Modeste, in southern Labrador. Construction is proposed to include 12 mink sheds/barns (100 metres by 7 metres each), plus storage and pelting sheds, surrounded by perimeter fencing on a 5 acre site. Additional lands totaling 38 acres will be developed for manure spreading. The proponent plans to start with 500 female breeding mink in April of 2006 and in 2 to 3 years expand to 5,000 female breeders producing approximately 20,000 kits per year. The feed kitchen to service the mink farm is proposed to be located in a former fish plant at 2 Marine Drive in West St. Modeste. The feed kitchen will have a production capacity of 2 million pounds per year for processing and freezing primarily raw fish materials. The undertaking was registered on November 22, 2005; public comments are due by December 27, 2005; and, the Minister's decision is due by January 6, 2006.

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) 729-4211 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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