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Department of Environment and Conservation Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

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

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Barton Mink Fur Farm Proponent: Clarenville Fur Farm Inc.

(Reg. 1250)

The proponent proposes to construct a 4,000 female breeder mink fur farm near Barton in Smith Sound, Trinity Bay. The proposed 35 hectare farm site is to be located on the north side of Route 232, between Ryders Brook and Snooks Brook. The proponent plans to start with 800 female breeders and expand to 4,000 female breeders producing approximately 20,000 kits annually in two to three years. Construction will include 8 mink sheds/barns (122 metres long by 7 metres wide), a storage shed and manure storage in a 4 to 8 acre area surrounded by perimeter fencing. Construction is planned to start in late May for transfer of initial breeding stock in July, 2006. The undertaking was registered on April 13, 2006; public comments are due by May 18, 2006; and, the Minister's decision is due by May 28, 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.

UNDERTAKING RELEASED:

Cavendish Critch's Mink Fur Farm Proponent: Henry & Mildred Critch

(Reg. 1240)

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