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Department of Environment and Conservation
Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

The Honourable Charlene Johnson, Minister of Environment and Conservation, has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the *Environmental Protection Act*.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Burin Peninsula Multipurpose Trail

Proponent: Powderhorn Trail Blazers

(Reg. 1381)

The proposal is to construct 26.3 kilometres of new trail to combine existing trails on the Burin Peninsula and create a 175 kilometre multipurpose trail. The proposed construction would start near the PowderHorn Mountain which is 11.9 km due west of Boat Harbour West, Placentia Bay and the end at Canoe Cove which is 15.5 km North East of Garnish, Fortune Bay. Other trails in the system include the PowderHorn Trail, The Garnish, Point Rosie Trail, the Garnish Pond Trail System. These routes will be used for activities such as hiking, motocross biking, cross country skiing, all terrain vehicles, and snowmobiles. The Proponent plans to complete the loop over a five year period.

The undertaking was registered on May 6, 2008; public comments are due by June 12, 2008; and the minister's decision is due by June 20, 2008.

Old Perlican Chitin Plant

Proponent: Quinlan Brothers Ltd.

(Reg. 1382)

The proposal is to operate a chitin/chitosan production facility and laboratory in Old Perlican, Trinity Bay. Waste material from shrimp and crab processing will be used to manufacture chitin. The facility will operate 24 hours/day for approximately eight months/year with a winter shutdown. The operation involves processing shrimp and crab shells into a powder using potassium hydroxide, hydrochloric acid and water. Approximately 34,000 litres/day of effluent generated by the production process will be discharged into the municipal sewer. The proposed facility will be located inside an existing building in Old Perlican, which will be modified for chitin production.

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