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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.

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Labrador – Island Transmission Link
Proponent: Nalcor Energy

(Reg. 1407)

The Project involves the construction and operation of an approximately 1,200 km long transmission line and associated infrastructure within and between Labrador and the Island of Newfoundland. The High Voltage Direct Current overhead transmission line will commence at a converter station at Gull Island in central Labrador, proceed southeast across Labrador, cross the Strait of Belle Isle via submarine cables, and proceed across Newfoundland to end at a converter station at Soldiers Pond on the Island's Avalon Peninsula. The steel lattice transmission towers will be approximately 43m in height and carry three wires (two conductors and a ground). Construction could tentatively begin in 2011 and conclude in late 2014.

The undertaking was registered on February 02, 2009; public comments are due by March 9, 2009, and, the minister's decision is due by March 19, 2009.

For further information on the environmental assessment process, please contact the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-4211 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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