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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:

Mount Pearl Microbial Fermentation Facility(Reg. 1501)Proponent: ICUS

The proponent proposes to establish a microbial fermentation facility in a new 10,000 square foot steel prefabricated warehouse building to be constructed adjacent to 14 Clyde Avenue in Donovan's Industrial Park, Mount Pearl. The facility will produce microbials (microorganisms) that are used in agriculture as inoculants for increasing crop yields, and as bio-control agents for increasing plant health and reducing disease. The production process involves growing the organisms in seed vessels, transferring to a production vessel and drying, formulating and packaging. The facility will produce up to 1,500 kilograms of dry material in the first year of production and up to 10,000 kilograms at maximum capacity. The facility will produce products for export to the US and mainland Canada.

The undertaking was registered on May 18, 2010; public comments are due by June 24, 2010; and the Minister's decision is due by July 2, 2010.

Pinchgut Cove Cottage Subdivision Proponent: Pinchgut Cove Development Inc.

(Reg.1502)

The project involves the construction of a 16 cottage lot subdivision in a pre-existing cottage lot area at the west end of Pinchgut Lake, just off Gull Pond Road. Pinchgut Lake is situated on the southeast side of the TCH approximately 20-21 kilometres southwest of the City of Corner Brook. The area to be developed consists of sixteen lots of various sizes, and contains a total land area of approximately 7 hectares. No new highway access is required for this undertaking.

The undertaking was registered on May 18, 2010; public comments are due by June 24, 2010; and the minister's decision is due by July 2, 2010.

Comfort Cove Cranberry Farm Proponent: Comfort Cove Cranberry

The proposal is to develop a cranberry farm on a 30 hectare peat bog. The site is located approximately 44 kilometres north from The Town of Lewisporte, off Route 343, near the Town of Comfort Cove-Newstead, in Central Newfoundland . Construction is scheduled over two to five year period with development of a four hectare cranberry field by 2011. Construction will include removal of vegetation, ditching installation of irrigation and sediment pond, berms, bed drainage tile, water control structures and construction of an access road. Sand, fertilizers and pesticides will be applied to the cranberry beds during operation. Harvesting of the cranberries includes flooding each field, in succession, with approximately 45 centimetres of water and removal with a cranberry beater. The project is scheduled to commence in 2010, subject to approval.

The undertaking was registered on May 20, 2010; public comments are due by June 24, 2010; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 4, 2010.

Mount Pearl Industrial Services Facility Proponent: Talon Energy Services

(Reg. 1504)

The proponent plans to renovate as existing building located at 158 Glencoe Drive in Donovan's Industrial Park, Mount Pearl to provide industrial painting and coating, insulation and fireproofing services. Two warehouse bays will be renovated and suited for grit (sand) blasting operations in one bay and painting operations in the second bay. Renovations to the building are expected to take approximately six weeks to complete.

The undertaking was registered on May 20, 2010; public comments are due by June 24, 2010; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 4, 2010.

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