Environmental Assessment Bulletin

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

Bishop's Falls Engineered Wetland Sewage Treatment Facility (Reg. 1691) **Proponent: Town of Bishop's Falls**

The proponent has submitted a proposal to install and operate an Engineered Wetland Sewage Treatment Facility as the new Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) in Bishop's Falls, in Central Newfoundland. The WWTF will provide a collection system from the Town's existing six outfalls that are currently being discharged directly into the Exploits River and will redirect them to the wetland treatment facility, which will be constructed at the east end of the Town of Bishop's Falls in the location of the former race track. Access to the proposed WWTF site will be via an existing roadway (Sunset Drive) which will be re-aligned to provide direct access to the site. The transmission/collection line will generally follow the old railway bed, which will be reinstated over the pipework with walking/biking trails established for community use. The anticipated construction schedule is from April 2013 to March 2015, with the majority of the work expected to be completed prior to November 2014.

The undertaking was registered on February 19, 2013; the deadline for public comments is March 27, 2013; and the minister's decision is due by April 5, 2013.

REVISED COMPONENT STUDIES ACCEPTABLE:

Labrador – Island Transmission Link (Reg. 1407)

Proponent: Nalcor Energy

Following public, Aboriginal and governmental review, the revised Vegetation Component Study, Freshwater Resources: Water Resources, Fish & Fish Habitat Component Study and the Furbearers and Small Mammals Component Study, all submitted on April 10, 2012, are acceptable subject to the following:

The proponent will be required to carry out pre-construction surveys, or any other
work deemed essential by the Department of Environment and Conservation, to
augment the current level of data regarding each identified Valued Ecosystem
Component. This work will be submitted to the Department of Environment and
Conservation prior to the commencement of any site specific construction activities.

Following public, Aboriginal and governmental review, the revised Caribou and Other Large Mammals Component Study is acceptable.

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UNDERTAKING RELEASED:

Northern Arm Sod and Vegetable Farm Proponent: Sunshine Investments Inc.

(Reg. 1685)

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