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#### **Environmental Assessment Bulletin**

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

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PREVIEW REPORT REQUIRED:

## Howse Property Direct Shipping Ore Mine Proponent: Howse Minerals Limited

(Reg. 1751)

The minister has advised the proponent that an Environmental Preview Report (EPR) is required for this project. The EPR is necessary to provide additional information including, but not limited to, groundwater flow regimes, air quality, socio-economic conditions, greenhouse gas emissions and climate change. The public will be invited to provide comments on the EPR upon its submission. For further information on this project contact, Brent Keeping, Environmental Assessment Division at (709) 729-4223 or email at bkeeping@gov.nl.ca.

## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE APPOINTED:

# Howse Property Direct Shipping Ore Mine Proponent: Howse Minerals Limited.

(Reg. 1751)

On June 19, 2011, the Minister advised the proponent that an Environmental Preview Report (EPR) is required for this project. An Environmental Assessment Committee has now been appointed to provide scientific and technical advice to the Minister and to prepare draft guidelines for conducting the EPR. The Assessment Committee has representation from the following government agencies:

- Environment and Conservation
  - Environmental Assessment Division Committee Chairperson
  - o Pollution Prevention Division
  - Water Resources Division
  - Wildlife Division
- Women's Policy Office
- Natural Resources
- Labrador and Aboriginal Affairs
- Advanced Education and Skills
- Climate Change and Energy Efficiency

## UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

Huguette Lake Quarry (F Proponent: H.J. O'Connell Construction Limited

Wabush Mountain Aggregate Quarry Expansion Proponent: Grey Rock Services Inc. (Reg. 1744)

(Reg. 1748)

The project has been released subject to the following condition:

• A minimum 30 metre naturally vegetated buffer must be maintained along all waterbodies and wetlands to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species and their habitat.

#### Arnold's Cove Breakwater Proponent: Fisheries and Oceans Canada

(Reg. 1755)

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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