

Municipal Affairs and Environment

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Environmental Assessment Bulletin

The Honourable Eddie Joyce, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment, has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Holyrood Thermal Station Diesel Generator Modifications (Reg. 1899)
Proponent: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro

The proponent is proposing to modify the operation of six 1.825 megawatt diesel generators that are presently in service at the Holyrood Thermal Generating Station (HTGS) in Holyrood. These generators were originally installed in January 2014 to provide black start power for the HTGS. These generators were subsequently used in helping alleviate power availability issues on the Avalon Peninsula during the winter of 2016. This project will improve the capability to operate these diesel generators as part of the Island Interconnected System (IIS), if required to meet load requirements during peak demand and possible contingency situations, in addition to continued use for HTGS black start capability. The six diesel generators are each housed within individual mobile trailer enclosures on the HTGS site. The changes required in order to improve the availability and reliability of this system for IIS production include adding new exhaust stacks on each generator and connecting the generators to a new diesel fuel storage tank to be erected near the generators.

The undertaking was registered on June 9, 2017; the deadline for public comments is July 20, 2017; and the minister's decision is due by July 24, 2017.

UNDERTAKING RELEASED:

Harbour Breton Fish Meal Plant (Reg. 1874)
Proponent: Barry Group Inc.

Project is released subject to the following conditions:

- Effluent and waste water shall be disposed of in a manner so that it is inaccessible to insect and animal pests and so that the water supply for the establishment does not become contaminated. To do this:
 - liquid waste effluent generated by or from the processing operation shall be collected in a containment system;

- liquid effluent shall be disinfected and neutralized to a standard appropriate for a fish processing facility operating in an salmonid growing region prior to release into the environment;
- the proponent will provide the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources access to the facility in order to sample and complete an envelope and a phage test once the effluent system is operational to verify its containment and biosecurity; and
- the proponent will provide the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources a Standard Operating Procedure for handling High Risk Material (HRM) for approval by the Aquatic Animal Health Division.
- The proponent shall not dispose of offal within a 20 kilometre radius of a finfish site licensed under the Aquaculture Act.
- Floors in wet working areas shall be kept clean and thoroughly washed and disinfected daily.
- A Gender Equity and Diversity Plan must be submitted to and approved by the Women's Policy Office prior to the start of the project.

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