Registration for Environment Assessment Process

Name Of Undertaking: Road construction in Forest Management District 8.

Proponent:

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The Undertaking:

- (i) Construction of road to access timber stands for commercial operation in Forest Management District 8.
- (ii) The need for the undertaking is to access timber stands for harvesting in Forest Management District 8. However, to be able to access the timber in District 8 we have to put a bridge across a stream crossing which is a tributary of Indian Arm Brook. Harvesting will be within 200 meters of a salmon river, therefore a environmental review is required.

Description of Undertaking

(i) Geographic Location

Forest Management District 8 encompasses approximately one half of the Notre Dame Bay region on the northeast coast of the island portion of the province between Seal bay Brook in the west and Gander River in the east, extending south to the Trans Canada Highway. This undertaking falls in the general location of Brink's Pond, approx 15 km south of Campbellton. The attached 1:50,000, 1:12,500 stand type maps outline the general and exact areas.

(ii) Physical Features

This undertaking will require the construction of approximately 3.0 km of Class C-2 forest access road as defined in the Dept of Forest Resources an Agrifoods, Resources Roads Operating Manual, in addition to construction of a 3 metre long and 1.5 metre wooden bridge to cross Lacey's brook, a tributary of Indian Arm Brook. This undertaking will be in support of forest harvesting of mature black spruce forest.

(iii) Operation

These undertakings involve widely practiced road and bridge construction techniques as well as forest harvesting operations which will be conducted according to environmental protection guidelines for forestry operation.

These operations will create approx 60 man weeks of short term employment per year.

In general, these operating areas are adjacent to areas previously harvested under approved annual operating plans.

Construction and harvesting activities are subject to standards and specifications laid out by both the forest Engineering and Industry Services Division and the Forest Ecosystem Management Division of the Department of Forest Resources and Agrifoods.

As well, operations are subject to the Environmental Protection Plan for Ecologically Based Forest Resource Management. There has been previous harvesting over the past 10- 15 years and as such this under-taking involves follow up work to access new forest harvesting blocks.

(iv) Occupants

There will be approx 1 forest operations foremen, 2-4 harvester operators, and 2 forwarder operator employed in these areas. These operations are in support of the Cottles Island lumber Co. Ltd sawmill and Value Added Manufacturing plant which employs 50 persons.

(v) Project Related Document

Pending approval, this proposal will be included in the Forest Management District 8 Annual Operating Plan: April 01, 2001 - March 31,2002.

Approval of the Undertaking:

Project approval from the Forest Ecosystem Management Division, Forest Engineering and Industry Services division, Dept of Fisheries and oceans and Water Resources Division of the Dept of Environment.

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Cottle's Island Lumber Company Ltd. requests a decision within 45 days after the Minister of Environment receives the completed registration form.