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Mr. Keeping,

Further to Corner Brook Pulp & Paper Ltd's (CBPPL) "Zone 3 Five Year Plan" registration (EA Reg. 1853), I offer the following description and summary of the three open house public consultation meetings attended by CBPPL within the Zone during August of this year.

There were three meetings arranged and advertised by the Dept. of Fisheries, Forestry and Agrifoods (Forest Service Division) that included participation by CBPPL. All meetings were advertised via Twitter and press releases to the GNL website which included start times and locations. As we have previously discussed, it is the responsibility of the Forest Service to arrange these meetings, CBPPL jointly participates in the process as a stakeholder in the Zone.

The set-up for each meeting involved a series of large maps depicting both CBPPL and the Crown's proposed harvesting and road building activities being displayed on the walls for review, hardcopy and PDF copies of the plan made available for the participants and a comment sheet for anyone who wished to have their concerns recorded. The format was "open house" with participants reviewing the display maps and discussing their concerns / issues with representatives from CBPPL or the Crown.

Meetings were held on August 18, 2016 in Gander, August 31, 2016 in Lewisporte and August 31, 2016 in Gambo. Each meeting ran from 2-7 pm and included representatives from Dept. of Fisheries, Forestry and Agrifoods (Forest Service Division) and CBPPL.

The summary (included) captures the scope of the three Public Consultation sessions held to discuss CBPPL's proposed Zone 3 Five Year Management Plans (2017 – 2021) and registers CBPPL's response.

Also included in this package at your request is a summary of the concerns, issues and mitigations registered and developed through consultation between CBPPL and five Gander River Outfitters.

I have received a copy of the submissions made directly to Environmental Assessment as a result of CBPPL's Zone 3 registration document (EA Reg. 18530). We are currently investigating each submission and hope to provide a response to your Department in short order.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and if you have any other questions or concerns please let me know.

Sincerely,

**Barry Elkins** 

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