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Government of Newfoundland and Labrador

Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment

Office of the Minister

File # 2.2122.0053 Reg. #1940

Mr. Patrick Laracy Red Moon Resources Inc. 333 Duckworth Street St. John's, NL A1C 1G9

Dear Mr. Laracy:

## RE: Flat Bay Gypsum Quarry - Registration 1940

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental screening committee and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by the Newfoundland and Labrador *Environmental Protection Act*, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Please be advised that this undertaking is **released** from further environmental assessment subject to the following condition:

• If the proposed quarry operation uses water from a natural body of water or impacts the water quantity and/or quality of any body of water or stream then the proponent must submit a Water Resources Management Plan to the Water Resources Management Division prior to commencing any work. The plan must include the information requirements pursuant to the Water Resources Act, SNL2002 cW-4.01 including a description of all of the affected water bodies and streams and also discuss how these will be impacted by the quarry operation. Only after the plan has been approved can applications for a water use licence and/or a permit to alter a body of water be submitted.

The Office of Climate Change of this department requests that you submit the projected total fuel consumption by source (e.g., stationary combustion, mining explosives and on-site transportation) and associated Green House Gas (GHG) emissions for this facility. To assist in estimating GHG emissions, you may refer to the GHG reporting guidance document available at <a href="http://www.exec.gov.nl.ca/exec/occ/greenhouse-gas-data/GHG\_Reporting\_Guidance\_Document.pdf">http://www.exec.gov.nl.ca/exec/occ/greenhouse-gas-data/GHG\_Reporting\_Guidance\_Document.pdf</a>. For further information, please contact the Office of Climate Change at (709) 729-0379.

The Water Resources Management Division of this Department requires that you apply for and obtain a water use licence for the use of water from any water source for any water use purpose. If a drilled well is required, you must also apply for and obtain a Permit for Constructing a Non-Domestic Well prior to the start of construction. For further information, please contact the Water Resources Management Division at (709) 729-2295 for permits regarding a water use licence and (709) 729-2539 for regarding a Permit for Constructing a Non-Domestic Well.

The Department of Transportation and Works require you to apply for and obtain highway access permits to access Route 403 for site access and haul road use to the shipping site. For further information, please contact the Department of Transportation and Works at (709) 729-5493.

The Government Service Centre of the Department of Service NL requires you to submit electrical plans for review and approval register all building drawings and submit plans and specifications for a sewerage disposal system. For further information, please contact the Government Service Centre at (709) 637-2470 for electrical approvals and (709) 643-8652 for water and waste approvals.

The Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment supports Environment and Climate Change Canada's recommendation that in order to avoid nest destruction and to accommodate the breeding season of migratory songbirds and waterfowl, operations should consider nesting locations between April 15<sup>th</sup> and August 15<sup>th</sup> in this region. However, as some species protected under the *Migratory Birds Convention Act (MBCA)* do nest outside of this time period, it is the responsibility of the proponent to ensure that project activities are in compliance with the *MCBA* and associated regulations.

Although the undertaking, as proposed, is released from further environmental assessment, it is still subject to other legislative requirements. A summary of the comments received from government agencies during the review is attached to provide an indication of likely applicable permits, approvals and legislative requirements. Please note that you must comply with all relevant legislation and obtain all necessary permits and approvals. You are required to inform this Department of any proposed significant changes to the undertaking.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Dr. Susan Squires, Director, Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or susansquires@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

EDDIE JOYCE, MHA

District of Humber-Bay of Islands

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment

Attachment

Cc. Scott Reid, MHA

District of St. George's - Humber