

Government of Newfoundland and Labrador Environment and Climate Change Office of the Minister

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Reg. # 2198

Fred Osmond 14 Elms Place Hampden NL A0K 2Y0 E-mail: <u>kyle_osmond@outlook.com</u>

Dear Fred Osmond:

RE: Hampden Residential Property (Fred Osmond) (the Project)

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

- You are required to uphold all commitments made in your environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the Project on the environment.
- No vegetation clearing is to occur within 800 metres of a bald eagle or osprey nest during the nesting season (March 15 to July 31) and 200 metres during the remainder of the year. The 200-metre buffer also applies to all other raptor nests (e.g. Northern Goshawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Merlin, American Kestrel, Greathorned Owl, Boreal Owl, Northern Saw-whet Owl). The location of any raptor nest site shall be reported to the Wildlife Division. For further information, please contact the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture at (709) 637-2353.
- You are required to advise the Environmental Assessment Division when the conditions of release have been met, by emailing a written description, documents, and images (where applicable) to demonstrate that the conditions have been fulfilled to <u>EAProiectComments@gov.nl.ca</u>.
- You are required to update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of the Project, including a copy of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for the Project, within one year from the date of this release letter and to provide additional updates, if requested. Please email Project updates to <u>EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca</u>.



Federal and provincial government departments and agencies that reviewed the Project during the environmental assessment provide the following advice:

The Pollution Prevention Division of my Department advises that a contingency plan specific to the proposed undertaking should be developed and spill response equipment should be readily available on site to enable a quick and effective response should a spill occur. Response equipment, such as absorbents and open-ended barrels for collection of clean-up debris, should be stored in an accessible location on site and personnel working on the Project should be knowledgeable about response procedures. Any spill or leak of gasoline or associated product is to be reported immediately by calling the Environmental Emergencies Telephone Line at 1-800-563-9089. For further information, please contact the Pollution Prevention Division at (709) 729-5782.

The Water Resources Management Division of my Department advises that any effluent or runoff leaving the site will be required to conform to the requirements of the Environmental Control Water and Sewage Regulations. For further information, please contact the Water Resources Management Division at (709) 729-1646.

The Government Service Centre of the Department of Digital Government and Service NL (DGSNL) advises the dwelling is not to be occupied until such time as it is connected to the municipal water supply and the on-site sewage disposal system has been approved by DGSNL. Plans and specifications for a subsurface sewage disposal system shall conform with the Sanitation Regulations and Private Sewage Disposal and Water Supply Standards, and be prepared by an approved designer. For further information, please contact the Government Services Centre at (709) 729-2008.

The Occupational Health and Safety Division of DGSNL advises that you must generally ensure that activities associated with the Project are conducted in compliance with the **Occupational Health and Safety Act** and its regulations. This includes the responsibility for ensuring that contractors hired to perform work also comply with this legislation. For further information, please contact the Occupational Health and Safety Division at (800) 563-5471.

The Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture informs that the proposed area is located within an identified core range/habitat for Newfoundland caribou. Any new footprint within this sensitive caribou area must be kept to a minimum and all efforts must be taken to minimize additional stress on resident animals. For further information, please contact Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture at (709) 637-2353.

The Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs advises that the Town of Hampden Municipal Plan and Development Regulations require every building to front onto a publically owned and maintained street. The Town of Hampden plans to construct a street that will fulfil this requirement, however; the Town cannot issue a building permit for the



Project until the street has been constructed and accepted by the Town. For further information, please contact Municipal and Provincial Affairs at (709) 729-3090.

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) recommends that you avoid scheduling high disturbance activities, such as vegetation clearing, during the regional nesting period for migratory birds. The breeding season for most birds within the Project area occurs between April 15 and August 15. ECCC requests that you provide a GIS file of the Project boundaries and study area so that the Project can be mapped for consideration of cumulative effects. The Canadian Wildlife Service of ECCC requests that any species-at-risk sightings be reported to <u>ec.scfatldonneesei-cwsatliadata.ec@ec.gc.ca</u>. For further information, please contact the Canadian Wildlife Service at (709) 772-4221.

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. 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.

Please note that in accordance with Section 17 of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, the Minister's decision is valid for a period of three years from the date of this letter. If you have not commenced the Project within this three-year period, you may apply to extend the three-year period for a maximum of three one-year periods, if needed. For further information, please email EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

If you have any questions, please contact Joanne Sweeney, Director, Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or via email at joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

HON. BERNARD DAVIS, MHA District of Virginia Waters - Pleasantville Minister

Enclosure

Cc: The Honourable Dr. Andrew Furey, District of Humber-Gros Morne