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Dear Bryan Oke:

RE: Crown Zone 1 Five-Year Forestry Operating Plan (2027-2031) (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 conditions as outlined in Attachment A.

Although the Project as proposed is released from further environmental assessment, it is still subject to other legislative requirements. You must comply with all relevant legislation and obtain all necessary permits and approvals. You must inform this department of any significant changes for the Project.

Please note that in accordance with Section 17 of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, the 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 term of the decision for a maximum of three periods of one year. Should the term of the decision expire, the Project will have to be registered again for environmental assessment, if you wish to proceed. For further information, please e-mail EAPProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

If you have any questions about the environmental assessment process, please contact



Joanne Sweeney, Director of the Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673
or via e-mail at joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chris Tibbs", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

HON. CHRIS TIBBS, MHA

District of Grand Falls - Windsor - Buchans
Minister

Enclosures

Cc: The Honourable Joedy Wall, MHA – District of Cape St. Francis
The Honourable Barry Petten, MHA – District of Conception Bay South
The Honourable Loyola O'Driscoll, MHA – District of Ferryland
The Honourable Helen Conway Ottenheimer, MHA – District of Harbour Main
The Honourable Paul Lane, MHA – District of Mount Pearl - Southlands
Sherry Gambin-Walsh, MHA – District of Placentia - St. Mary's
Jeff Dwyer, MHA – District of Placentia West - Bellevue
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