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Department of Environment
Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment Minister Ralph Wiseman has announced the following events relative to the Environmental Assessment Act. Copies of documents may be obtained by contacting the Department of Environment at 729-2562 or by calling toll-free 1-800-563-6181. Comments on submitted documents are invited from the public, addressed in writing to the Minister, and are welcome prior to the deadline date shown.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Five Year Management Plan District 14 (Barachois Pond) Amendment
Proponent: Newfoundland Forest Service

The proponent proposes to construct an additional resource access road to those contained within the five year plan. The road will provide commercial operators with access to hardwood and softwood stands and facilitate future silviculture treatments. The proposed road begins approximately 1 km south of the Burgeo Highway (Route 480) and is a branch of an existing access road locally known as Jack Joes. The road will be 2.2 km long and constructed to class C standard with a 5 m driving surface. No stream crossings will be required. Timber will be harvested to accommodate the right-of-way and will be felled manually and forwarded by tractor trailer. Road construction is scheduled for the fall of 2001. The undertaking was registered on August 6, 2001, public comments are due September 12, and the Minister's decision is due September 20.

Logy Bay Warehouse and Liquid Mud Plant
Proponent: M-1 Drilling Fluids Canada, Inc

The proponent proposes to relocate their warehouse and liquid mud plant, presently at two sites - warehouse at St. Annes Industrial Park and liquid mud plant at Mount Pearl, into one location on Logy Bay Road. This consolidation is expected to improve the ability to enforce health, safety and environmental policies, reduce the transport of materials and allow staff to maintain closer supervision of the operations. There will be a main building (office, lab), a secondary building (blending of chemicals) and silos for the storage of water, brine and/or drilling mud. The undertaking was registered on August 7, 2001, public comments are due September 12, 2001, and the Minister's decision is due September 21.

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED

Five Year Management Plan District 4 (Terra Nova) Amendment
Proponent: Dept. of Forest Resources and Agrifoods.

Forest Management District 1 - Five Year Operating Plan Amendment
Proponent: Dept. of Forest Resources and Agrifoods

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT SUBMITTED:

Duck Pond (Millertown Area) Copper-Zinc Mine
Proponent: Thundermin Resources Inc./Queenston Mining Inc.

The proponent has submitted the Environmental Impact Statement for review which is intended to predict and evaluate the environmental impacts of the proposed mine. The public has until September 27, 2001 to make comments on the EIS. Copies of the EIS may be obtained by contacting the EA Committee Chairperson, Mr. Pat Marrie at 729-2813 or email pmarrie@mail.gov.nf.ca

The Minister encourages all interested parties to become involved and to make comments known. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-2562 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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