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Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment and Conservation Minister Tom Osborne has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

(1) Gros Morne Resort (Reg. 1123)
Proponent: Eastern Arm Enterprises

The proponent proposes to develop a luxury resort in the St. Paul's area of the Great Northern Peninsula. This will include a 52 room hotel, 150 site recreation vehicle (RV) trailer park, marina and beach front picnic area, day use park and hiking trails. Construction activity will also include roads, utilities, and sewage system. The undertaking was registered on March 12, 2004; public comments are due by April 20, 2004; and, the Minister's decision is due on April 26, 2004.

(2) District 9 (Sops Lake / Black Ridge) Five-Year Forest Management Operating Plan (Crown) Amendment (Reg. 1124)
Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

The proponent intends to amend two locations in Forest Management District 9:

- In Sops Lake (8 km southeast of Roberts Arm), 10,000 cubic metres of mature and overmature softwood will be harvested from a 130-hectare area requiring 3.5 km of new secondary and tertiary roads.
- In Black Ridge (6.5 km southwest of Middle Arm), 2,000 cubic metres of mature and overmature softwood will be harvested from a 40-hectare area requiring 2.5 km of new secondary and tertiary roads.

The Amendment is required by commercial operators seeking to achieve their yearly allocation of sawlogs and pulpwood for 2004 and 2005. The project was registered on March 16, 2004; public comments are due by April 20, 2004; and, the Minister's decision is due on April 30, 2004.

The Minister encourages all interested parties to become involved and to make comments known. Comments on submitted documents are invited from the public, addressed in writing to the Minister, and

are welcome prior to the deadline date shown.

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