

Environment and Conservation
May 6, 2008

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

The Honourable Charlene Johnson, Minister of Environment and Conservation, has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the *Environmental Protection Act*.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Schefferville Area Iron Ore Mine (James and Redmond Properties)

Proponent: Labrador Iron Mines Limited

(Reg. 1379)

The proposal is to mine iron ore at the James and Redmond properties in Labrador, near Schefferville, Quebec. Mining will be conducted using open pit methods. Iron ore remaining at these previously mined locations will be mined, crushed and washed to produce lump ore and sinter fine ores, prior to being transported by rail to Sept-Îles and then shipped to customers. The project will also include the re-establishment of a spur line, approximately 3.5 kilometres in length, between an area known as the Silver Yards, north of the James property, and the existing railway in Schefferville, Quebec. Mining will initially be at a combined rate of one to two million tonnes/year at the three main mine sites, James North, James South and Redmond. This is an estimated daily production rate of less than 3,000 tonnes/day at each mine location. Ore will be crushed and washed at the Silver Yards area. Mining will be conducted approximately eight months per year with a winter shutdown.

The undertaking was registered on May 5, 2008; public comments are due by June 10, 2008; and the minister's decision is due by June 19, 2008.

Elross Lake Area Iron Ore Mine

Proponent: New Millennium Capital Corp.

(Reg. 1380)

The proposed undertaking is phase one of a two-phased open pit iron ore mining project located in Western Labrador, approximately 10 kilometres northwest of Schefferville, Quebec. The site was previously mined and consists of 10 open pit deposits. Ore will be trucked to a plant for crushing, screening and washing to produce lump ore and sinter fine ores. From the plant the ore will be transported via rail to a marshalling yard in Schefferville and then sent via rail to Sept-Îles, Quebec, for shipment to customers. To the extent possible, the project will use existing infrastructure or renovate/re-build infrastructure abandoned or decommissioned by other mining companies. Operating eight months per year, the production rate for phase one will be 5,700 tonnes/day in years one and three and approximately 11,300 tonnes/day in year two.

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2008; and the minister's decision is due by June 19, 2008.

For further information on the environmental assessment process, please contact the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-4211 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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