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File # 2.4883.0003

Reg. #1933

Mr. Daniel Villeneuve
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Dear Mr. Villeneuve:

RE: Crémaillère Harbour Marine Port Development – Registration 1933

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental 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. Upon consideration of the comments received, please be advised that an Environmental Preview Report (EPR) is required.

The EPR is necessary to provide information concerning the potential effects of the undertaking on the surrounding environment. Additional information requirements shall include, but are not limited to:

- impacts of the project on fish, fish habitat, potential fisheries and other marine life;
- impacts on provincially listed wildlife species at risk, such as the Short-eared Owl and rare plant species, as well as the numbers and distribution occurring in the project area;
- impacts on federally listed wildlife species at risk as well as the numbers and distribution of seabirds, sea ducks and shorebirds occurring in the project area;
- activities and operations associated with the Ballast Wastewater / Bilge Disposal Facility;
- construction and operation of the Graving Dock; and
- activities, operations and characterization of the ore associated with the Bulk Ore Loading/Offloading Storage Facility.

Please note that the Local Governance and Planning Division of my Department advises that portions of the project site are located in municipal zones which do not permit the proposed uses. The Municipal Plan and Development Regulations of the Town of St. Anthony must be amended in order to accommodate the development.

A summary of the comments received from government agencies during the registration review is attached to provide you with mitigative advice and to give you an indication of applicable permits, approvals and legislative requirements. The mitigative advice is provided for your information, consideration and inclusion in your project and in the

environmental preview report. Please be aware that other government agencies may not issue any relevant authorizations until a decision on the project is rendered by the Minister.

An Environmental Assessment Committee will be appointed for the purpose of providing you with technical and scientific advice regarding the preparation of an EPR. As per the legislative requirements, within 60 days of the date of this letter, you will be issued guidelines for the completion of the EPR. Please be reminded that, in accordance with the Environmental Protection Act, project activities may not proceed until the proposal is released from the Environmental Assessment Process.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Dr. Susan Squires, Director of Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or susansquires@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,



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