

Attachment A
Conditions of Release from Environmental Assessment

EA #: 2375 St Lawrence Spaceport Complex (the Project)

1 Definition

- 1.1 "Act" means the **Environmental Protection Act** (the **Act**).
- 1.2 "Department" means the Department of Environment, Conservation and Climate Change, and the contact for the Department for this environmental assessment (EA) release is:
- Director
Environmental Assessment Division
Department of Environment, Conservation and Climate Change
P.O. Box 8700
St. John's, NL A1B 4J6
Tel. 709-729-0673
- 1.3 "Minister", unless the context indicates otherwise, means the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Climate Change.
- 1.4 "Proponent" means a person who carries out or proposes to carry out a Project, or is the owner or person having charge, control or management of a Project.
- 1.5 "Registered" and "registration" mean registered under Section 49 of the **Act**.
- 1.6 "Release" means the release of a Project under Section 51, 54, 67 or 72 of the **Act** from the further application of the EA requirements of Part X of the **Act**.
- 1.7 "Undertaking" includes an enterprise, activity, **Project**, structure, work or proposal and a modification, abandonment, demolition, decommissioning, rehabilitation and an extension of them that may, in the opinion of the Minister, have a significant environmental effect.

2 Acronyms / Abbreviations

EA	Environmental Assessment
REG	Registration document
PPD	Pollution Prevention Division
WRMD	Water Resources Management Division

3 Scope

- 3.1 The EA release letter relates to NordSpace Atlantic Corporation, hereafter referred to as the "Proponent", and their Registration document (REG) for St. Lawrence Spaceport Complex, EA REG # 2375, hereafter referred to as the "Project".

- 3.2 The Proponent shall ensure the Project is carried out in accordance with this EA release and their REG.

4 General

- 4.1 The Proponent shall uphold all commitments made in the EA submission to mitigate the effects of the Project on the environment, unless otherwise advised by the Minister.
- 4.2 The Proponent shall conduct the Project in accordance with the **Act**, as amended from time to time.
- 4.3 The Proponent shall provide written notification of Project commencement to the Department, prior to the commencement of Project construction, by sending an email to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.
- 4.4 The Proponent shall update the EA Division on the status of the Project, including a copy of all permits, licenses, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for the Project, within one year from the date of this EA release letter and provide additional updates if required. Project updates shall be emailed to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.
- 4.5 This EA release does not exempt a Proponent of a Project from the requirements imposed upon the Project by (a) another Act or regulation of the province or of Canada; or (b) a municipal regulation, by-law or requirement.
- 4.6 A license, permit, approval or other document of authorization pertaining to the Project shall not be issued under another Act until the Project has been exempted or released from EA.
- 4.7 Prior to a proposed change to any aspect of the Project from that proposed in the REG, the Proponent must submit the proposal to the Department to review for regulatory requirements, including EA.
- 4.8 No authority is granted by this EA release to enable the Proponent to commence or continue the Project on lands which are not in the control or ownership of the Proponent. It is the responsibility of the Proponent to ensure that such a contravention does not occur.
- 4.9 The Proponent shall notify the Minister before a transfer, sale or lease of the Project.
- 4.10 Where a timeline is associated with a condition(s) of the EA release, the Proponent shall fulfil the requirements of the condition(s) within the prescribed timeline, unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Minister.
- 4.11 If there is a discrepancy between the REG and the conditions of this EA release, the conditions of this EA release shall apply.
- 4.12 The Proponent shall bear all expenses incurred in carrying out the environmental management and monitoring required under the conditions of this EA release, the **Act** or the Environmental Assessment Regulations.

- 4.13 The Proponent shall ensure that this EA release, or a copy, is present at the Project site while personnel are on site and that personnel directly involved in the Project are made fully aware of the conditions which pertain to this EA release.
- 4.14 Throughout the life of the Project, the Proponent shall conduct any additional studies or monitoring and/or implement additional mitigation measures as required by the Minister.
- 4.15 The Proponent shall advise the EA Division by email of when the requirements of conditions of release have been completed, by providing a written description, documents, and images (where applicable) to demonstrate the completion of requirements. Information shall be emailed to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca. The Minister will advise the Proponent in writing of whether the condition(s) of release have been met.

5 Water Resources

- 5.1 The Proponent shall submit a Water Resources Management Plan for the Launch Complex and the Support and Control Complex to be approved by the Water Resources Management Division (WRMD) of this Department prior to the commencement of Project construction. Please contact the Water Rights, Investigations and Modelling Section at waterinvestigations@gov.nl.ca for any information needed to prepare the plan. Approved plans will be posted publicly on the EA Project webpage.
- 5.2 The Proponent shall include in their Environmental Protect Plan, a section outlining the potential impacts of rocket launches on Protected Public Water Supply Areas, and any necessary mitigation or monitoring measures to be approved by the WRMD prior to the commencement of Project construction.

6 Habitat, Flora and Fauna

- 6.1 The Proponent shall conduct a Short-Eared Owl survey during the breeding season by a qualified, third-party biologist within seven days of any ground disturbance required for the Project following protocol provided by the Wildlife Division. A Section 18 permit under the **Endangered Species Act** is required and available from wildlifepermits@gov.nl.ca.
- 6.2 A minimum 30-metre undisturbed buffer shall be maintained from the high-water mark of all wetlands and waterbodies within and adjacent to the Project, that are identified on either the 1:50,000 scale National Topographic System maps or the topographic mapping layer shown in the Provincial Land Use Atlas, to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species and their habitat. In cases where a 30-metre buffer cannot be maintained, the Proponent shall ensure the maximum undisturbed buffer is retained as well as conduct a targeted vegetation survey for species at risk and species of conservation concern, in consultation with, and for the approval of the Wildlife Division prior to site disturbance.
- 6.3 The Proponent shall report the location of any raptor nest site to the Wildlife Division (WildlifeReferrals@gov.nl.ca) and shall not clear vegetation within:

- a) 800 metres of a bald eagle or osprey nest between March 15 and July 31; 200 metres during the remainder of the year.
- b) 800 metres of a short-eared owl (ground) nest between May 15 to August 15
- c) 200 metres of any other raptor nests between March 15 and July 31.

7 Employment Plan

- 7.1 The Proponent shall develop a Women's Employment Plan to be reviewed and approved by the Minister Responsible for Women and Gender Equality prior to commencement of Project construction. Approved plans will be posted publicly on the EA Project webpage.

8 Energy Requirements

- 8.1 Prior to Project commencement, the Proponent shall provide confirmation to the Department of Energy and Mines that they have consulted with Newfoundland Power and that the Project will not create safety or reliability issues with connection to the grid or conflict with existing or planned electricity infrastructure.

9 Waste Management

- 9.1 The Proponent shall submit a Waste Management Plan for approval by the Pollution Prevention Division (PPD) of this Department prior to commencing work on the Project. Information regarding the development of a Waste Management Plan and the application form to apply for a Waste Management Certificate of Approval are both available online at www.gov.nl.ca/eccc/env-protection/waste/. For further information contact PPD (709) 729-1810. Approved plans will be posted publicly on the EA Project webpage.
- 9.2 The Proponent is required to submit predictive air quality modeling that verifies compliance with the Air Quality Standards outlined in the Air Pollution Control Regulations, 2022 for the approval of PPD prior to construction. For further information contact PPD at (709) 729-6052.



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