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White's Point Quarry - Next Steps

Bob:

Last Friday afternoon while I was in Montreal I had a teleconference with the CEAA and DFO reps. from Ottawa to discuss the next steps on this file. They are as follows:

- 1) DFO is drafting a letter to us regarding their intentions to go to a panel and will want a formal response from us that we will work to harmonize. We will see the draft letter first.
- 2) We need to send a letter back to DFO confirming our interest in harmonizing
- 3) We will be working on a draft harmonization agreement very shortly (we plan to keep this agreement simple). This agreement will need to be publically reviewed which rasies the question whether we need cabinet approval to out for public review on the draft agreement and approval on the final agreement.
- 4) We will also need to negotiate panel membership, cost-sharing, panel terms of reference, EIS guidelines and other issues as we forward over the coming weeks/ months.
- 5) We will need to coordinate communication with the public on this issue as it will be very sensitive. But at this point everything remains confidential (the company does not even know we are planning on going this route yet).

Chris

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