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Ken Swain:

On April 11, 2022, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) received your request for an extension to the three-year legislated time limit to provide the required information or studies for the environmental assessment under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*, 2012 (CEAA 2012) of the Boat Harbour Remediation Project (the Project). As per subsection 181(2.1) of the *Impact Assessment Act* (the IAA), at the proponent's request, the Agency may extend the time limit by any period that is necessary for the proponent to provide IAAC with the required information or studies.

Following a review of available information, including the information submitted in your request and comments received from the Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia, the Agency has determined that it **will extend the time limit**. In coming to this decision, the Agency is of the view that:

- the environmental assessment is well-advanced and you have been actively progressing the development of the required information or studies required; and,
- termination of the environmental assessment may be disruptive to the advanced and ongoing consultation activities.

The deadline to submit the required information or studies is now **August 28**, **2024**. Note that no further extension may be granted by the Agency.

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If the information or studies are not provided within the extension of the time limit that has been granted, the environmental assessment for the Project under CEAA 2012 will be terminated in accordance with section 181(3) of the IAA.

If the environmental assessment is terminated, in accordance with subsection 7(1) of the IAA, proponents of a designated project are prohibited from carrying out any act related to the project that may cause one of the effects listed therein. If the proponent wishes to continue with the Project after the termination of the assessment, it must submit an Initial Project Description to the Agency in accordance with section 10 of the IAA.

This determination and a notice informing the public of the new time limit will be posted to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry: https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/050.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Mike Atkinson, Regional Director for the environmental assessment, by phone at <contact information or by email at <email address removed>

Sincerely,

<Original signed by>

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