February 14, 2020

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (File # NR-25-2020)

On January 30, 2020, the Department of Natural Resources received your request for access to the following records/information:

Any and all emails to or from Minister Siobhan Coady or, separately, ADM Craig Martin regarding the planned FPSO Terra Nova life extension project in 2020. I'm specifically requesting any communications from two time periods: May 1, 2019 through June 1, 2019, and from Jan. 1, 2020 to present (Jan. 30).

I am pleased to inform you that a decision has been made by the Department of Natural Resources, confirmed by the Deputy Minister, to provide access to the requested records. The records are attached.

We are providing access to the most information possible but have made redactions in accordance with Sections 35(1)(d), 35(1)(f) and 35(1)(g) of ATIPPA, 2015 as follows:

35. (1)(d) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information which could reasonably be expected to disclose information, the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to result in the premature disclosure of a proposal or project or in significant loss or gain to a third party;

35. (1)(f) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information which could reasonably be expected to disclose positions, plans, procedures, criteria or instructions developed for the purpose of contractual or other negotiations by or on behalf of the government of the province or a public body, or considerations which relate to those negotiations;
35. (1)(g) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information which could reasonably be expected to disclose information, the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to prejudice the financial or economic interest of the government of the province or a public body.

Please be advised that you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the processing of your access request, as set out in section 42 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the Act). A request to the Commissioner must be made in writing within 15 business days of the date of this letter or within a longer period that may be allowed by the Commissioner.

The address and contact information of the Information and Privacy Commissioner is as follows:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner
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P. O. Box 13004, Stn. A
St. John’s, NL A1B 3V8

Telephone: (709) 729-6309
Toll-Free: 1-877-729-6309
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

You may also appeal directly to the Supreme Court Trial Division within 15 business days after you receive the decision of the public body, pursuant to section 52 of the Act.

Please be advised that this letter will be published following a 72 hour period after it is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the letter posted to the Office of Public Engagement's website within one business day following the applicable period of time.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 709-729-0463 or rhynes@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

Rod Hynes
ATIPP Coordinator
Hi Heather,

Great to connect this morning. As discussed, here are the high-level key messages. Tomorrow we will be announcing externally confirmation that we are moving forward with the Asset Life Extension of Terra Nova. Please keep this information confidential until it has been announced publicly.

Cheers,
Amber

Suncor and the Terra Nova joint venture owners are proceeding with a project that will extend the life of the Terra Nova Floating, Production, Storage and Offloading vessel to approximately 2031. The asset life extension project is expected to allow the facility to capture approximately 80 million additional barrels of oil for the Terra Nova partnership. The asset life extension project will take place in 2020.

ALE is a major milestone for Terra Nova, establishing Suncor’s commitment to Canada’s East Coast offshore basin.

We will provide more information in the coming months as we finalize and award the dry dock contract. This will determine location and our subsequent staffing requirements.

Great! Thanks!

From: Froese, Amber <afroese@suncor.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2019 11:54 AM
To: Gillis, Heather <HeatherGillis@gov.nl.ca>
Cc: Hooper, Diane
Subject: Re: Terra Nova Asset Life Extension
Hi Heather,

I’m just in a meeting but will be able to call you in roughly 15 minutes. I can chat through the announcement and key messages then!!

Cheers,
Amber

Sent from my iPhone

On May 29, 2019, at 8:22 AM, Gillis, Heather <HeatherGillis@gov.nl.ca> wrote:

Hi Diane,

I haven’t been able to connect with Amber yet, due to time difference.

You don’t happen to have any KM’s you can share with us, in the meantime?

Thank you,

Heather Gillis

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From: Hooper, Diane <djhooper@suncor.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2019 10:42 AM
To: Gillis, Heather <HeatherGillis@gov.nl.ca>
Cc: Froese, Amber <afroese@suncor.com>
Subject: Terra Nova Asset Life Extension

Hi Heather,

It was great to speak with you this morning. As discussed, I would like to introduce you to Amber Froese, Senior Advisor on our communications team. She is leading the communications effort for the Asset Life Extension. Her number is [REDACTED]

Hi Amber,

Heather is Communications Director with NL Department of Natural Resources. Her number is 709-729-5282.

I will leave it to both of you to connect re the communications approach, but don’t hesitate to contact me at any time if you have any questions.

Have a great day!
Diane

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I am waiting to hear back from Suncor comms. I raised that issue and others with them in a phone call last evening.

Please advise on the 2031 date. As mentioned yesterday a 9/19 article from 2013 indicated that the extension at the time took the project to 2028.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

**Terra Nova FPSO Life to be Extended by 10 Years**

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Work to extend the life of the FPSO will begin in 2020 and provide local benefits, such as continued employment and business opportunities for the supply and service sector. The Provincial Government will work to ensure that people in this province continue to receive the maximum benefit from this project.

The province has five producing fields, more than 650 leads and prospects, and an ongoing, world-class seismic program with more than 20 basins mapped. There have been eight new entrants in the past two years, and $2.8 billion dollars in recent exploration work commitments.
The asset life extension project will support the goals outlined in Advance 2030: The Way Forward on Oil and Gas, which was developed to position Newfoundland and Labrador as a globally preferred location for oil and gas development. The Way Forward outlines all actions the Provincial Government is taking to achieve a strong, diversified province with a high standard of living, and can be viewed at thewayforward.gov.nl.ca.

**Quotes:**

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Heather Gillis  
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K tied up for the next while ;

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

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Waiting to hear back from Oilco.

Suncor says they have not yet negotiated retrofit benefits yet.

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Can you discuss with Oilco. Also not a big fan of "continued employment" as related to the retrofit. What benefits from the retrofit I am asking about. Thanks

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I was just speaking with Suncor. The difference is that CBC article references the life of field.

"Newfoundland and Labrador's offshore petroleum regulator says the life of the Terra Nova oil and gas field will be extended by seven years to 2027."

And today's announcement is about extending the FPSO.

Hope that clarifies things a little.

Heather
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Craig,

Current assumption that C-NLOPB have made in their provisional forecast is a risked 212 day duration (7 months) commencing April 23, 2020 with production resuming on November 20.

Production has been shut-down since December 19, 2019 with the C-NLOPB suspension order so if approval to start-up is not granted this would be an additional 4 months shutdown.

Anne, can you add Nena to the invite. Thanks
Rgds
David

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From: Martin, Craig <CMartin@gov.nl.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, January 7, 2020 4:50 PM
To: Corkey, David <DavidCorkey@gov.nl.ca>
Cc: Butland, Anne <annebutland@gov.nl.ca>
Subject: Re: Production Update

David,

When is the FPSO scheduled to leave for ALE?

Also, we never had an opportunity to discuss the [redacted] before Christmas. I’ve cc’d Anne to schedule a time on Friday.

Thanks

Craig

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Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 7, 2020, at 2:18 PM, Corkey, David <DavidCorkey@gov.nl.ca> wrote:

Folks, FYI

Note the potential for TN to remain shutdown until it leaves for ALE.

David

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From: Manning, Jonathon <JManning@cnlopb.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, January 7, 2020 12:08 PM
To: Corkey, David <DavidCorkey@gov.nl.ca>
Cc: Oliver, Ashley <AOLiver@cnlopb.ca>; Murrin, Andrew <AMurrin@cnlopb.ca>
Subject: FW: Production Update
Hi Dave, happy new year. We had a miscommunication on our end and as a result we did not send our preliminary 2020 numbers to you before Christmas as I had indicated we would. My apologies for that.

Ashley has now sent them to you in a separate Email.

We are working on getting the forecasts finalized for the end of January. One issue for us right now is what is happening with Terra Nova. There have been some rumblings that they may not be allowed to start up before leaving for their ship yard campaign. This is something that we will hopefully get some more clarity on over the next week or two. For now we have sent you the number we had forecasted back in December when we had assumed they would be producing in early 2020 up until the FPSO left.

We are also waiting on a response from Hibernia to a number of forecasting questions we sent them before Christmas. Some of their people are still away from Christmas break so we are hoping to receive that information by next week.

I’m hoping to have a handle on when we can finalize our numbers by the end of this week. After that I will get in touch with you about setting up a time to present.

If you have any questions please let me know.

Jon Manning, P. Eng
Reservoir Engineering Lead
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From: Manning, Jonathon
Sent: Thursday, December 19, 2019 10:12 AM
To: Corkey, David <DavidCorkey@gov.nl.ca>
Cc: Okeefe, Jeff <Jokeefe@cnlopb.ca>; Murrin, Andrew <AMurrin@cnlopb.ca>
Subject: Re: Production Update

Hi Dave, we have preliminary forecast numbers for 2020 prepared that we plan to send to you tomorrow. When we finalize the 2020 numbers in January we will update our long term forecast and provide that to you then. I will reach out in January about setting up a time to present the forecast towards the end of the month. If you require anything else please let me know.

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Sent from Workspace ONE Boxer

On December 19, 2019 at 9:03:10 AM NST, Corkey, David <DavidCorkey@gov.nl.ca> wrote:

Jon
We have just received the Finance request for the latest energy sector outlook for the period 2019 to 2040 which will feed into their budget and economic outlook analysis in early 2020. They have requested this information package by Friday, January 24, 2020. Would you be able to accommodate this with the production update?

Also I have briefed DM on the S. 35 (1) (d) as we discussed and am preparing a briefing note on the issue - will need some further discussion/direction internally as to how we are going to move forward and I will be in touch.

Thanks

Regards

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Director of Petroleum Engineering

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