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To: Hicks, Darren
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Subject: ECCC Response 2015-014: WesternGeco Canada Southeastern Newfoundland Offshore Seismic Program, 2015 to 2024 (Amendment)

Darren,
As requested in your letter of 11 April 2017, Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) has reviewed the document (Amendment of the Environmental Assessment of WesternGeco's Southeastern Newfoundland Offshore Seismic Program, 2015–2024) that serves as an amendment the Environmental Assessment (EA) report of WesternGeco Canada's Southeastern Newfoundland Offshore Seismic Program, 2015–2024 (LGL 2015) and its associated Addendum (LGL 2016).

According to the amendment, commencing in 2017, WesternGeco proposes to add the following activities to its seismic program:

* Collect gravity and magnetic field data;
* Conduct sound velocity profiling; and
* Include various multi-vessel operations

ECCC-CWS offers the following comments:

* General Comment

Due to the recent change in name of Environment Canada to Environment and Climate Change Canada, references to the departmental name and associated acronyms (i.e. EC-CWS to ECCC-CWS) should be updated accordingly.

* EC-SAS Database

ECCC-CWS has a mobile version of the Eastern Canada Seabirds at Sea (ECSAS) database that can be provided to the proponent, which will facilitate data entry. The MMO or delegated personnel can enter data into the database while undertaking observations, with little to no need for post-processing.

Please note that our previously submitted comments are still applicable to the project.

If you wish to discuss these comments or have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

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From: Hicks, Darren [mailto:DHicks@cnlopb.ca]
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Subject: RE: WesternGeco Canada Southeastern Newfoundland Offshore Seismic Program, 2015 to 2024

Good day All: please see the attached proposed amendment from WesternGeco Canada and our letter requesting comments by close of business April 25, 2017. If no comments are received by this time then the C-NLOPB will assume no comments will be submitted. Further details on this program may be found at http://www.cnlopb.ca/assessments/westgecose.php.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Regards
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