CANADA-NEWFOUNDLAND and LABRADOR OFFSHORE PETROLEUM BOARD

June 17, 2013

Mr. James O'Reilly
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Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

Re: Hebron Project – Addendum to the Comprehensive Study Report

The Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board (C-NLOPB), in consultation with the Board's fishery and environmental review agencies, has reviewed the environmental assessment (EA) addendum report "*Hebron Project – Comprehensive Study Report Addendum"* (June 2013). The report is an addendum to the "*Hebron Project – Comprehensive Study Report*" (EMCP 2011) and was provided by ExxonMobil Canada Properties (EMCP) in support of the request to amend the Project Area for seismic surveys. The Project Area was extended to include the area required to accommodate the turning radius for a seismic vessel. The Addendum also addressed the: use of up to 12 streamers in the acoustic array versus the 10 described in the Comprehensive Study Report (CSR); and the potential firing of a single air source array in the area outside the original Project Area.

The EA Addendum Report (June 2013) provides a satisfactory assessment of environmental effects associated with these activities. The C-NLOPB is of the opinion that, taking into account the implementation of proposed mitigation measures committed to by EMCP, the project is not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the above, please do not hesitate to contact me at (709) 778-4232 or by e-mail at eyoung@cnlopb.nl.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by E. Young

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