



Nalcor Energy responds to NunatuKavut statements regarding aboriginal consultations and environmental assessment

March 3, 2011 - Nalcor Energy responded today to statements made by NunatuKavut Community Council representatives in the local media. Nalcor has, and will continue to consult with NunatuKavut and other interested parties, but would like to provide clarification on a number of matters:

- Nalcor has committed approximately \$300,000 in funding directly to NunatuKavut for community engagement activities. This is in addition to the funding in excess of \$130,000 provided by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA).
- Nalcor has met with and offered to meet with NunatuKavut on more than 25 occasions since April 2007, Nalcor has also consulted with NunatuKavut through meetings, technical workshops, and community events all with the purpose of seeking feedback from NunatuKavut in respect of the Project, and Nalcor will continue to do so in the future.
- The scope of the Lower Churchill Hydroelectric Generation Project has not changed from that described in Nalcor's Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). In particular, the sequencing of Gull Island and Muskrat Falls does not result in changes to the scope of the Project or location of transmission lines, generation facilities, dam heights, areas of inundation, or power output, or the duration of discrete construction or operation activities.
- Nalcor has provided the Joint Review Panel with a comprehensive body of material for the environmental assessment process, and has complied with the environmental assessment guidelines issued by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador and the Government of Canada and all requests for information requested by the Joint Review Panel.
- In deciding to proceed to public hearings, the Joint Review Panel has confirmed the sufficiency of Nalcor's EIS and additional information.



- Nalcor has provided NunatuKavut with an assessment of the potential for migration of contaminated groundwater at 5 Wing Goose Bay during reservoir impoundment. No effects during impoundment are predicted. Nalcor has consulted and will continue to consult with the Department of National Defence on this matter.
- Nalcor looks forward to continued engagement and consultation with all interested parties, including NunatuKavut, during the public hearings commencing on March 3, 2011

Additional information related to the assessment can be found on the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency website at www.ceaa.gc.ca.

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