

## **MEMORANDUM**

### **Amendment to the Agreement to Conduct a Regional Assessment of Offshore Oil and Gas Exploratory Drilling East of Newfoundland and Labrador**

**between**

**Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the federal Minister of the Environment and the federal Minister of Natural Resources**

**and**

**Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Newfoundland and Labrador, as represented by the provincial Minister of Natural Resources and the provincial Minister for Intergovernmental and Indigenous Affairs**

**WHEREAS** on April 15, 2019, the Governments of Canada and Newfoundland and Labrador announced the launch of the Regional Assessment of Offshore Oil and Gas Exploratory Drilling in the area east of Newfoundland and Labrador at the site of current and proposed multiple oil and gas exploration and production activities;

**WHEREAS** the federal Minister of the Environment, the federal Minister of Natural Resources, the provincial Minister of Natural Resources and the provincial Minister for Intergovernmental and Indigenous Affairs have entered into an Agreement to Conduct a Regional Assessment of Offshore Oil and Gas Exploratory Drilling;

**WHEREAS** the Agreement establishes the procedures and timelines for the process, the factors to be considered in the assessment, and the Terms of Reference for the Committee;

**WHEREAS** subsection 8.1 of the Agreement allows the terms and provisions to be amended by written memorandum executed by the Ministers;

**WHEREAS** subsection 5.7 of the Agreement provides that the Committee will submit its Report to the Ministers no later than fall, 2019 and

**WHEREAS** the Ministers wish to amend the Agreement to reflect that the Committee will submit its Report to the Ministers no later than the end of February 2020 and finalize the Geographic Information System (GIS) Support Tool no later than the end of May 2020.

**Now therefore, the Parties hereby amend the Agreement as follows:**

**5. Record of Process and Report**

5.7. The Committee will submit its Report to the Ministers no later than the end of February 2020 and finalize the Geographic Information System (GIS) Support Tool no later than the end of May 2020

**The Agreement, as hereby amended in accordance with the terms thereof, remains in full force and effect.**

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**JAN 10 2020**

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The Honourable Johnathan Wilkinson  
Minister of the Environment for Canada

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The Honourable Seamus O'Regan  
Minister of Natural Resources for Canada

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The Honourable Dwight Ball  
Minister for Intergovernmental and Indigenous Affairs for Newfoundland and Labrador

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The Honourable Siobhan Coady  
Minister of Natural Resources for Newfoundland and Labrador