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# LAKE MELVILLE – OUR HOME

## The science behind Nunatsiavut Government's recommendations on the Muskrat Falls hydro project

### Country food from Lake Melville is important

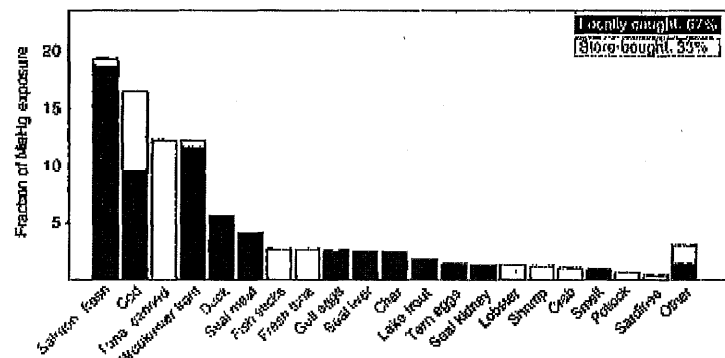
- Country food is at the heart of Inuit culture and well-being, and it is also **healthy and nutritious**: On days when country food is consumed, Inuit diets have significantly less fat, carbohydrates, and sugar, and more protein and essential micronutrients

### Why methylmercury is of concern

- Methylmercury is formed by natural processes, but reservoir flooding greatly increases levels of methylmercury in the environment
- How much methylmercury is produced after flooding is directly related to the amount of organic carbon (building blocks of all living things) in the reservoir, which comes from decomposing trees and plants and flooded soils
- Once it is in the water, methylmercury builds up in the food web as larger species eat smaller species, and levels can stay high for decades
- Methylmercury can harm human health even at low levels; effects include harm to brain development in children and harm to heart and blood health in adults

### What the Lake Melville research program told us

- Instead of diluting methylmercury as Nalcor predicted, Lake Melville is very good at concentrating methylmercury**
  - The freshwater layer of Lake Melville is home to large populations of bacteria and plankton (tiny plants and animals) that increase methylmercury production and its uptake into the food web
- Rivers have a major impact on methylmercury in Lake Melville**
  - Many of the building blocks for methylmercury in the lake come from rivers, with the Churchill River being the largest contributor
- Methylmercury exposures of Inuit living around Lake Melville are currently higher than the Canadian population**
  - Levels of mercury measured in the hair of participants from the Lake Melville area were roughly 2 to 2.5 times higher than the general Canadian population but lower than in most other Inuit communities

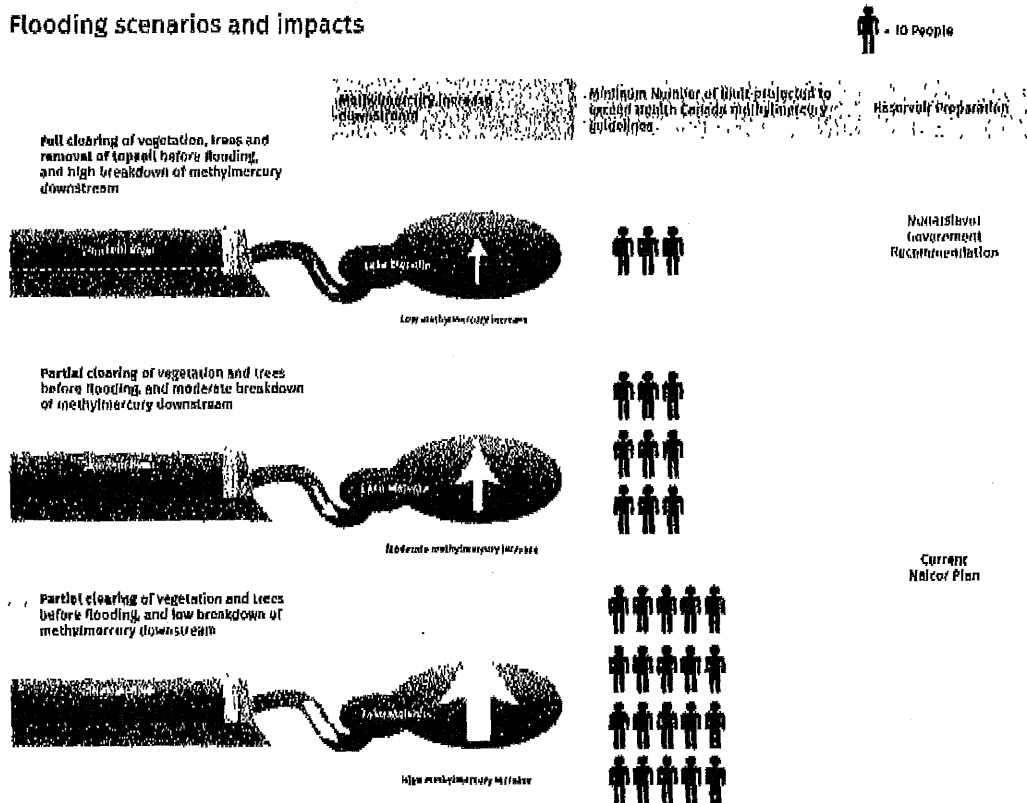


- Locally-caught wildlife currently contributes roughly 70% of the total methylmercury exposure
- Methylmercury exposures were higher in Rigolet and North West River than Happy Valley-Goose Bay (including Mud Lake) and higher among men than among women and children

4) Methylmercury exposures for Inuit will increase post-Muskrat Falls flooding

- Three scenarios for future changes in methylmercury levels were projected based mainly on different levels of reservoir clearance
- Even under the **low** methylmercury scenario with full clearing of trees and brush and topsoil removal, Inuit methylmercury exposures will increase, resulting in over 30 individuals exceeding the most conservative Health Canada methylmercury guideline
- Under the **high** methylmercury scenario, most exposures will increase by roughly 50 to 100%, but for some individuals it may be much higher (up to 1500%). Under this scenario, over 200 individuals will exceed the most conservative Health Canada methylmercury guideline
- Rigolet residents are at higher risk of increased mercury exposure than Upper Lake Melville communities; under the high methylmercury scenario, 46% of the community would exceed the most conservative Health Canada guideline

Flooding scenarios and impacts



**Find out what you can do to help**

The Nunatsiavut Government has made recommendations to federal and provincial governments to *Make Muskrat Right* and protect Inuit health, culture and rights. To find out more about the campaign and how you can help, please visit our website, join our Facebook group, or follow us on Twitter:

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**April 26, 2016**

**Anthony J. Shiwak  
AngajukKak, Rigolet Inuit Community Government  
Rigolet, NL**

**Minister Perry Trimper  
Minister of Lands and Conservation  
Government of Newfoundland Labrador**

**Dear Minister Trimper,**

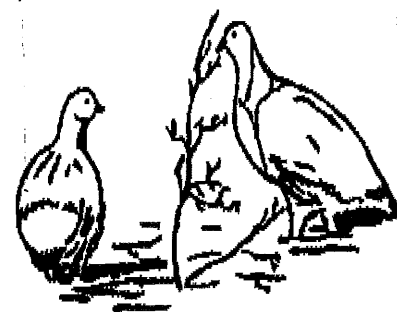
**As the AngajukKak for Rigolet I am writing to express my deep concerns with the Muskrat Falls project and the impacts it will have on residents in my community.**

**I am a permeant resident of Rigolet, and have lived here for most of my life – only leaving for education purposes. So I have been around long enough to see many changes in the environment, along with how, in some ways, this has affected the nature of the environment as well as the on the people that depend on our natural surroundings for everyday rural lifestyles.**

**I was a teenager during the development of the Churchill Falls project, at a point where I didn't understand the full scope or impacts of this development. Many years later, by talking to those people of the community, I fully began to understand how things have changed and how people have had to adapt to the changes. The health factors or risks were not questioned at the time of the Churchill Falls project.**

**At present, the development of the Muskrat Falls project will threaten the health and the wellbeing of the residents of this community and others who depend on Lake Melville for food sources that supplement their everyday diets. The prospect of permeant damage to vital organs of the human body when knowingly they can be minimize is "unacceptable" and not making any effort to avoid any human health risk is of great concern.**

**The findings of the *Scientific Report* by Harvard University regarding methyl mercury that can be produced by the creation of a reservoir for this project is very concerning for all of Lake Melville. We do not yet know what the full extent of how high levels of this toxin can do to human organs, nor do we know once consumed at above normal levels, the full effects it may have on the ability of humans**



to lead a full and normal lifestyle. I don't feel that anyone human has to be put in the position of being the test guinea pig to a process that is not reversible.

On behalf of the residents of Rigolet and all those who may or will depend of the resources of Lake Melville for food purposes, I strongly recommend that you carefully consider all four solutions recommended in this Summary of this *Scientific Report* as is, before endorsing the creation of this reservoir. The wellbeing and health of all peoples do not carry a price tag, and is not to be compromised.

We feel our concerns are legitimate, with regards to any decision, respecting to the creation of this reservoir.

Sincerely yours



Anthony J. Shiwak  
AngajukKak  
Rigolet, Inuit Community Government

*Minister Shurak  
Interview CBC ?*

Media talking points, June 13, 2016

- 1) Harvard science shows that Muskrat Falls is going to cause **serious harm to Inuit health and rights for generations.**

**Half of the Inuit community of Rigolet will exceed methylmercury guidelines.**

This includes **children**, who are the most vulnerable to brain development problems from methylmercury.

**Perry Trimper's / this government's plan does nothing to prevent this.**

- 2) This government is **cherry picking numbers** to justify their lack of action, and to keep from admitting that Nalcor's science was wrong.

[Only if asked, explain that the government is focusing on the starting amount of methylmercury in water to make it seem like impacts will not be significant, but methylmercury concentrates over a million times when it goes into the food web. Human exposure in fish and seal tissue that Inuit consume, and not water levels, is what should be guiding government decision making).

History shows that **Nalcor took shortcuts** in their science and that their results are **not trustworthy.**

[Optional] Perry Trimper should know this as someone who sat through this project's environmental assessment panel hearings as a consultant and advisor to Nalcor. He heard firsthand that the panel found Nalcor's science weak and full of gaps.

- 3) The government is proposing one extra monitoring station, and that is not enough. Money after the worst occurs is not what Inuit want.

**Our culture and way of life and the health of our children is at stake, and have a right to have a voice in how this project affects us.**

If this government truly supports the Truth and Reconciliation Panel recommendations instead of paying lip service to Inuit rights, they must meaningfully include Inuit in decision making.

- 4) **Full clearing** of trees and soil from Muskrat Falls before flooding is a **straightforward, practical** solution that would **keep hundreds of people from being exposed to harmful levels of methylmercury.**

It is **negligent** and **irresponsible** of this government to require anything less.

Disappointed

Talk back  
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Reading the News Release and listening to the interviews this morning regarding the Muskrat Fall project and Provincial Governments position on clearing of the reservoir, To say I am disappointed is an understatement along with my personal feelings, there are no words that can describe the resentment I feel. I have to question who are we? What are we? Because I get the feeling that as a people we are somewhat like roaches that need to be terminated. We have no rights, no say and are used as experimental test objects. Our existence even though has been around for many, many generations we are offspring the first aboriginals who made this land their homes. There are those us of today who continue to carry on the traditions and ways of the first people and made Labrador our homeland. We have survived on what Mother Nature had to offer.

The statement " ... if people in the area are told not to eat the fish, seabirds and seals, they will be compensated" How? a hospital bed to lay in because some of our bodies organs have been damaged and can no longer function on our own.

This is not a local or regional issue, many of the birds and sea mammals that we rely on for a food source are not only regional but national and to some extent maybe international, many of our species are migratory and they move freely throughout their ranges.

Much has been said about the state of our people and their social problems, in most cases we look for help but as we turn another corner we are greeted with more stress factors not of our own doing but levied on us as the taxes are.

As for dismissing the report that was done by Harvard University, I remember a time when fishermen around the province made it known that the Cod stocks were in trouble, but it took this stock very near to extinction, for the governments to realize there was a problem.



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**RE: Muskrat Falls Methylmercury Announcement – Rigolet Community Rally**

Dear President Lampe,

The Inuit Community of Rigolet, Nunatsiavut is nearing a crisis.

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's Minister of Environment and Conservation, the Honorable Perry Trimper, announced on June 14, that contrary to the Nunatsiavut Government's recommendation to fully clear the reservoir of all soil and vegetation prior to flooding to reduce associated methylmercury increases, further monitoring programs will put be in place.

A concerned Rigolet residents group will be hosting a rally to demonstrate our 'displeasure' with this detrimental announcement. During our National Aboriginal Day celebrations on **June 21**, community members will gather at the seaside **Hudson Bay Company Net Loft Museum at 4:30pm** as a means to voice the local concerns and impact of the Muskrat Falls Methyl Mercury Issue.

Your presence is requested at this important social, environmental, cultural and health related rally.

Please respond by noon, Tuesday June 21, 2016 to confirm your attendance.

Sincerely,



Darryl Shiwak,  
Ordinary Member, Nunatsiavut Government.

(cc:)

Dwight Ball, Minister of Labrador and Aboriginal Affairs;  
Perry Trimper, Minister of Environment and Conservation;  
Randy Edmunds, MHA Torngat District;  
Yvonne Jones, MP, Labrador.



**RIGOLET RALLY****MAKE MUSKRAT RIGHT****JUNE 20, 2016**

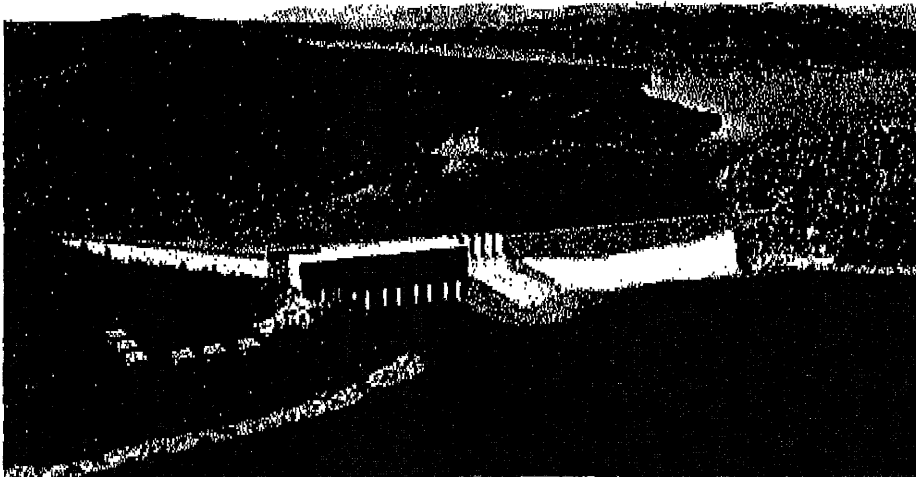
**Present: Carlene Palliser, Lorraine Allen, Kristy Sheppard, Melva Williams, Darryl Shiwak, Inez Shiwak**

Discussion regarding the Provincial Government decision to move forward with the flooding of Muskrat Falls without clearing the land of trees and soil. The Methyl mercury will increase in our environment to intolerable levels for safe consumption of wildlife.

The discussion led to plans to join the previously scheduled National Aboriginal Day event sponsored by DHSD. To invite dignitaries; Johannes Lampe, Dwight Ball, Randy Edmunds, Yvonne Jones & Perry Trimper.

Activities decided upon:

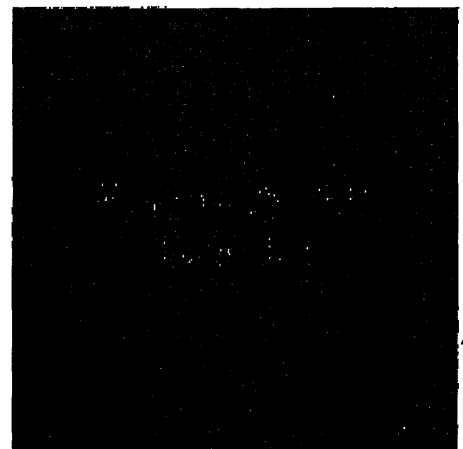
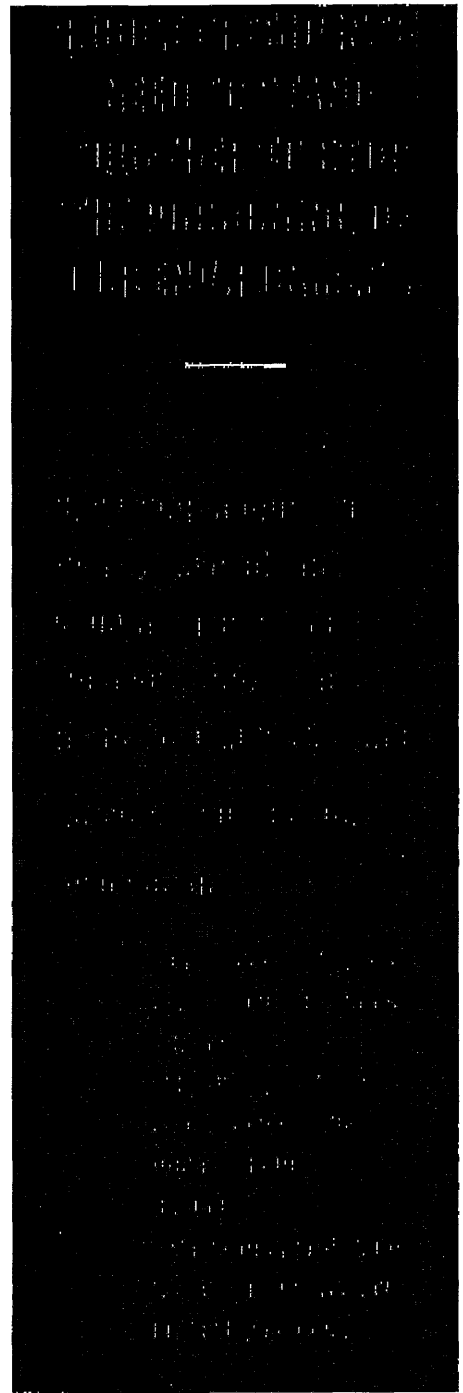
- Letter writing campaign – Dwight Ball, Justin Trudeau
  - Prepared letters for signatures, to fax and post on citizens behalf
- Poster making campaign
  - DHSD – Monday 2-4 PM
  - NG office – Tuesday 9-11 AM
  - Booth at event
- Panel of Rigolet Experts to offer their opinions of impacts
  - Rev. Sarah Baikie
  - Hunter – Derrick Shiwak
  - Pregnant lady – Dina Wolfrey
  - Teen – Michaela Palliser
  - Child – Parker Andersen
  - Moderator – Robert Baikie
- Invited speakers
  - Darryl Shiwak
  - Jack Shiwak
  - Melva Williams
  - Marilyn Baikie
- Faces of Four, as we don't expect our invited guests we decided to have them attend through photographs of their face
  - Dwight Ball
  - Randy Edmunds
  - Perry Trimper



# RIGOLET RALLY MAKE MUSKRAT RIGHT

A group of concerned residents are organizing a protest rally during National Aboriginal Day celebrations (Tuesday, June 21 at the Netloft).

There will be a panel of speakers and a demonstration to show our disagreement



**Discussion notes:**

**Make Muskrat Right**

**June 22, 2016**

**Attendance: Kristy Sheppard, Eldred Allen, David Wolfrey, Henry Shiwak, Jack Shiwak, Lorraine Allen, Melva Williams, Darryl Shiwak, Dan Michelin**

Group had a debrief around the activity at the NAD event. All felt that things had been very successful, however there was agreement that this was the first step and that we need to plan future action.

Letters (95 each -- Ball;Trudeau) to be faxed and mailed.

**Action Plan:**

- Delegation to travel via Northern Ranger to Goose Bay to hold a rally while Dwight Ball will be at EXPO
  - Kristy to contact Bert Pomeroy for financial; logistical support
  - Application to Alviktok to cover expenses not covered by NG
- Salmon discussion -- Jack to take to council to confirm approach
- Additional committee members; reach out to the following to invite:
  - Danny Michelin
  - Charlotte Wolfrey
  - Charlie Flowers
  - Ray Bennett
  - Elsie Wolfrey
- Kristy to confirm that we have approval to move forward with committee work on work time

**Next meeting:**

**June 22, 2016 at 3PM at NG building**

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**MAKE MUSKRAT RIGHT RALLY - FUNDS FOR TRAVEL**

A rally will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion In Goose Bay on Monday, June 27, 2016 at 11:30AM.

FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE to cover passage for 50 people to Goose Bay on the Northern Ranger on Sunday, June 26 and return on June 27.

- All participants are required to register at the Nunatsiavut Government Office in Rigolet by 3PM today (Friday June 24th, 2016) and sign a letter that is as follows:

**Confirmation of Attendance of  
Make Muskrat Right Rally  
Goose Bay,  
June 27, 2016**

This document confirms that I will attend the Rally that will be held in Goose Bay at the Royal Canadian Legion on Monday June 27, 2016 scheduled for 11:30AM.

Unfortunately the organizing committee is unable to cover many of the expenses but can cover the cost of passage on the Northern Ranger. Your signature on this document means that:

- You understand that the only the costs of passage will be covered (return must be on June 27th).
- You must state where you will stay in Goose Bay (no funds to cover accommodations available).
- You have money to cover your food expenses (no funds to cover meals available).
- You are on time to events and to the boat (we are unable to provide funds for taxis if you miss your ride).
- 16 to 19 can travel alone BUT must have parental permission and parents must sign the letter.

Carlene Palliser  
signature

**WE HAVE MONEY TO SEND 50 PEOPLE, PLEASE LET US KNOW ASAP (before 3PM this afternoon). FIRST COME FIRST SERVED!**

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**Jack Shiwak**  
July 13 at 5:06pm -

This has been on my mind for some time, on July 1st, we celebrated Canada Day and at the same time we took time to remember all those who paid the ultimate price for our freedom, be they Inuit, Innu, Metis or Settler-from all across our province. It is beyond me, one hundred years later, why we have to stand against our own government, not a foreign government, for our basic rights to hunt, fish and live as our past generations have done and pass on those skills so that we might carry on the traditional ways of life that has sustained us for many generations.

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**Jack Shiwak**

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**Jack Shiwak** shared a link.  
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**Jack Shiwak**  
October 16, 2015 ·

I have been involved in the Electoral process for over forty years at all levels. This Federal election has been one of the longest campaigns ever, I find it hard to believe we have seen only one candidate. Maybe there are other communities the same boat, this makes me wonder why? Are we so small that we make no difference to the final outcome? Are the issues of some selected towns/communities more important than those of small communities? Or trying to deal with our issues i... See More

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**Jack Shiwak** **Milly Walker**  
September 1, 2015 ·

Happy Birthday Milly Walker 🎂 . Hope someone gave you your breakfast this morning , if you remember what I mean. ☺

Jacqueline Van Roberts and Milly Walker 2 Comments

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**Jack Shiwak**  
June 22, 2015 ·

Inez Shiwak, The Heritage Forum has been postponed, if you need to change your travel arrangements.

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- Cynthia Pottle**  
42 mutual friends  
Confirm Friend
- Bradyaron Williams**  
16 mutual friends  
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- Dillon Shiwak**  
50 mutual friends  
Confirm Friend
- Pat White**  
23 mutual friends  
Confirm Friend
- Ryan Pottle**  
25 mutual friends  
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- Brady Williams**  
42 mutual friends  
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- Ethel Wolfrey**  
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- Tina Pottle** 3 posts so far today
  - Brenda Blake** likes Melva Williams's post.
  - Lisa Pottle-Bennett** likes Inez Shiwak's post.
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  - Marlin Shiwak**
  - Ivy Campbell**
  - Busan Dysan**
  - Shawn Pottle**
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## MMR- Rigolet Style

### Make Muskrat Right Survey

Rigolet has a Make Muskrat Right concerned citizen committee. The role of this group is to work towards mitigation of the effects of the damming of Muskrat Falls, which is inline with the Nunatsiavut Governments stand on the issue. We have planned rallies, participated in gatherings in Rigolet and Goose Bay and organized letter writing campaigns to change the NL government opinion on the damming of Muskrat Falls.

We want your opinion on this issue and what you think the committee should continue with.

#### 1. Are you concerned about the damming of Muskrat Falls?

- Yes
- No
- No opinion

#### 2. Would you be willing to attend rallies to support this cause?

- Yes, in town
- Yes, out of town
- yes, both in and out
- No
- Please list name and telephone number if interested.

#### 3. What would you like to see happen regarding Muskrat Falls?

- Shut the Project down
- Completely clear
- Continue as is

Next

### MMR- Rigolet Style

4. Do any children reside in your house?

- Yes
- If yes, how many?
- No
- sometimes

5. What is the best way to keep the community informed about this cause?

- Notices
- Radio
- Social Media (facebook etc)
- Other (please specify)

6. What do you think the committee should be doing?

- Protest rallies?
- petitions?
- Letter writing?
- Other (please specify)

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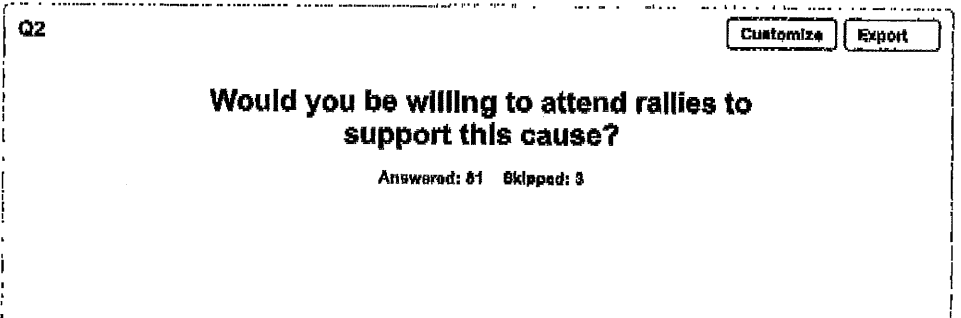
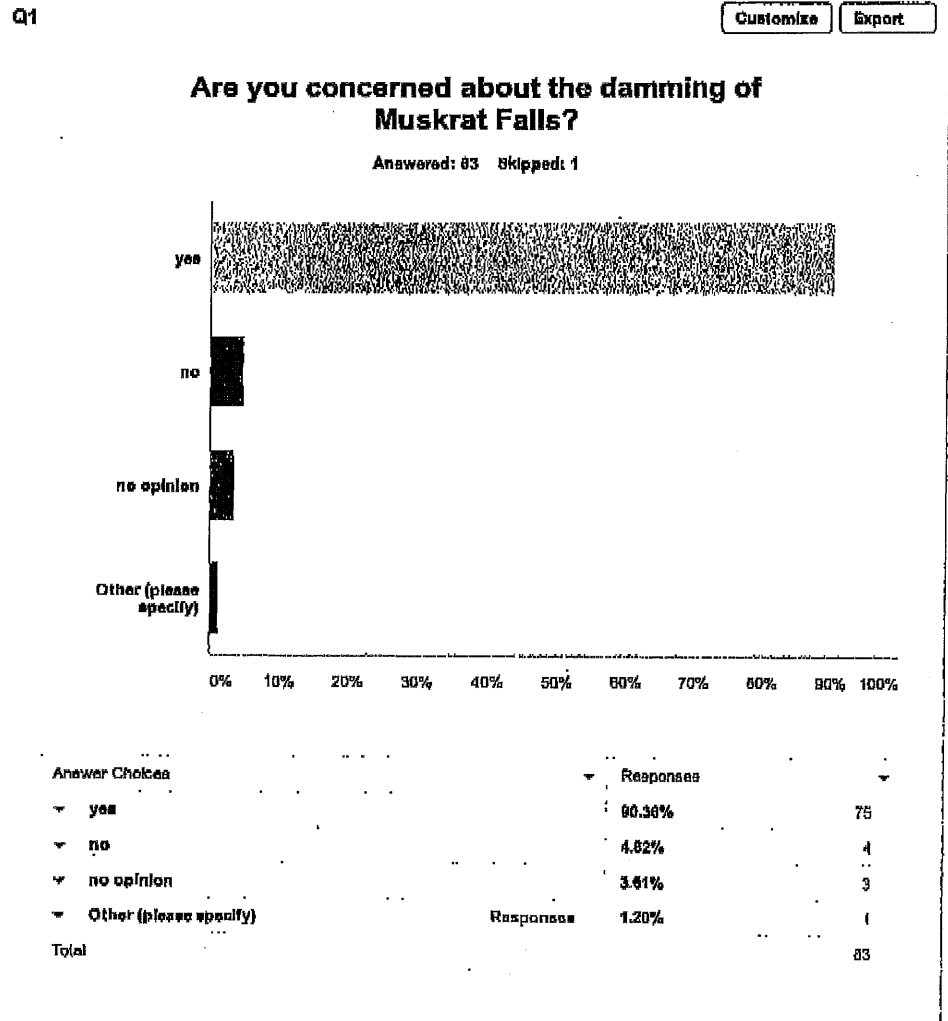
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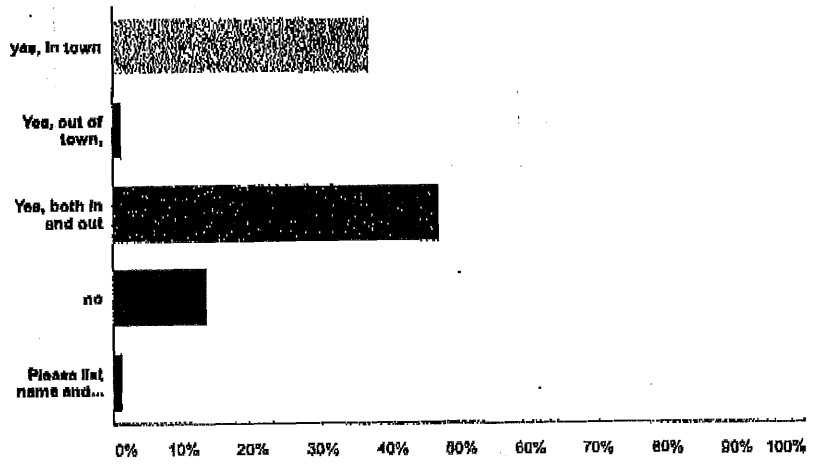
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yes, in town	37.04%	30
Yes, out of town,	1.23%	1
Yes, both in and out	46.01%	38
no	13.58%	11
Please list name and telephone number if interested	1.23%	1
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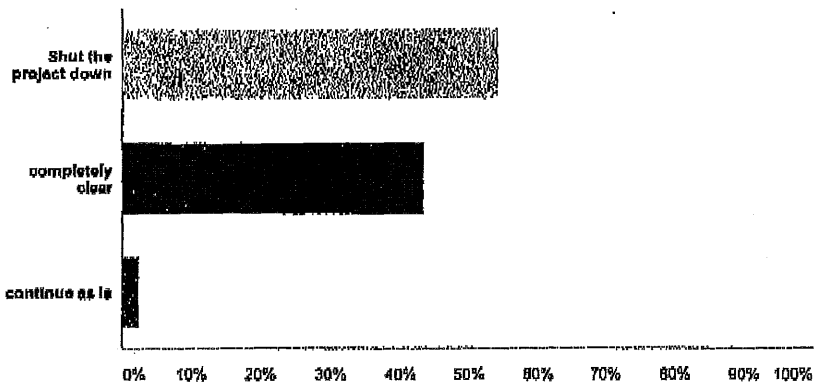
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### What would you like to see happen regarding Muskrat Falls?

Answered: 83 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Response	Count
Shut the project down	54.22%	45
completely clear	43.37%	36
continue as is	2.41%	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>83</b>

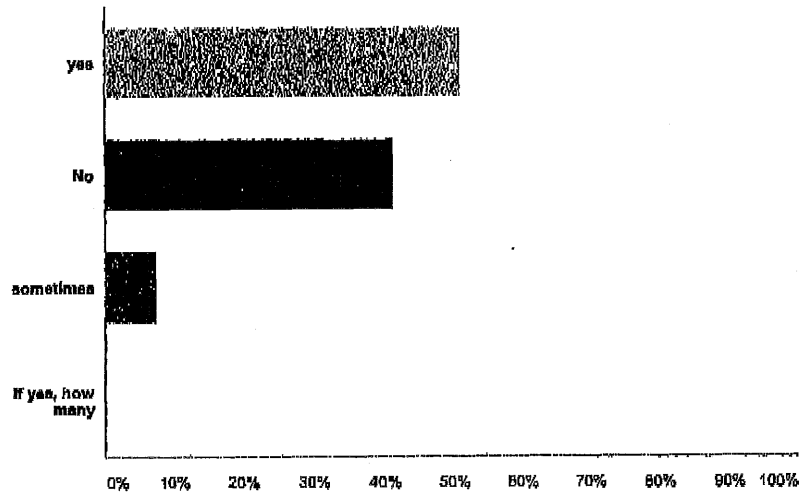
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**Do any children reside in your house?**

Answered: 80 Skipped: 4



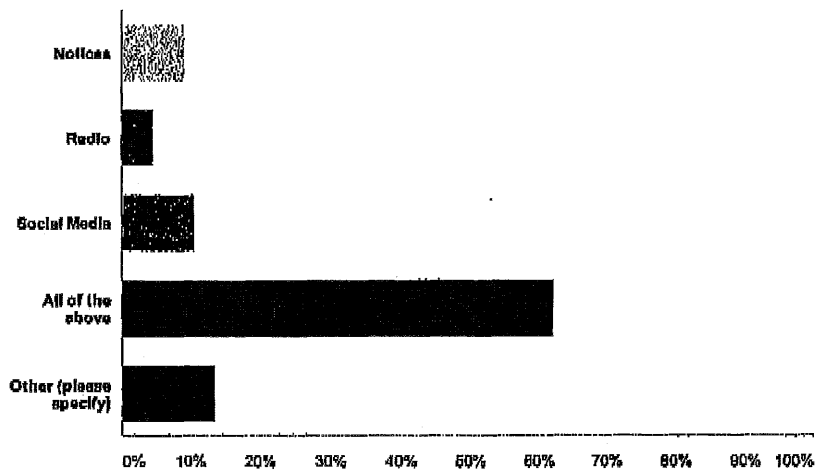
Answer Choices	Responses	
▼ yes	51.25%	41
▼ No	41.25%	33
▼ sometimes	7.50%	6
▼ if yes, how many	0.00%	0
Total		80
Comments (30)		

Q5

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**What is the best way to keep the community informed about this cause?**

Answered: 86 Skipped: 18



Answer Choices	Responses	
▼ Notice	6.98%	6

SurveyMonkey Analyze - mnr results

Radio	4.55%	3
Social Media	10.01%	7
All of the above	62.12%	41
Other (please specify)	13.64%	9
Total		66

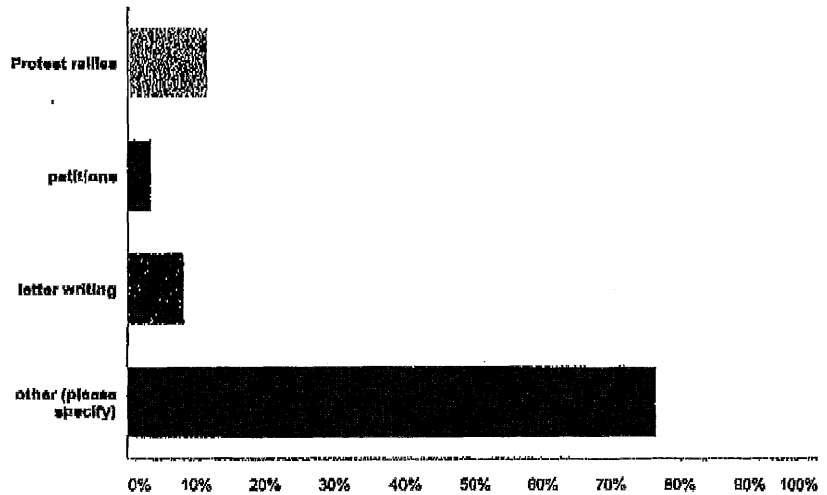
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Q6

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What do you think the committee should be doing?

Answered: 60 Skipped: 24



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Protest rallies	11.67%	7
petitions	3.33%	2
letter writing	6.67%	4
other (please specify)	76.67%	46
Total		60

Comments (70)

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**Make Muskrat Right – Rigolet Style**

**Rigolet, Nunatsiavut**

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**July 13, 2016**

**Rigolet Inuit Community Government**

**Attn: AngajukKak & Councilors**

**P.O. Box 69**

**Rigolet, NL**

**AOP 1PO**

**Jack and Councilors,**

**We the Make Muskrat-Rigolet Style is writing a request to meet with the Council as soon as possible to discuss the ongoing issue with the Muskrat Falls project. We feel that our voice isn't being heard and feel that there is a need for an organization of authority to join our efforts to affect change in regards to the damming of the Lower Churchill.**

**We feel that as this is major development that will affect our lives and the lives of generations to come; for all to add our voices together and take a stand.**

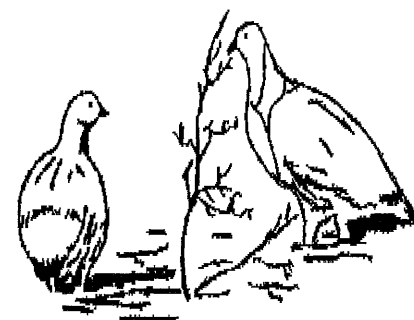
**The time to act is now; we need as a United Rigolet to work for the best interests of our community. Please respond ASAP as to date and time for a meeting with time being of the essence as work continues at the site and the flooding date moves ever closer.**



**Charlotte Wolfrey**

**Media Spokesperson**

**MMR-Rigolet Style**

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Dear Committee Members;

Thank you for contacting the Rigolet Inuit Community Government on this important issue. Your role to bring awareness and activism to the unmitigated flooding of the Muskrat Falls reservoir is an appreciated effort.

The presentation of the role and activities of the committee to date provided to the Community Council on July 20, 2016, created the opportunity for both learning and discussion. Upon review of the information received, councillors confirmed support for this cause and the committee.

Please note, I've previously communicated our concern on this issue to Minister Trimper as of April 26, 2016 (see excerpt below) and am pleased the committee of community members are echoing this stance.

*"At present, the development of the Muskrat Falls project will threaten the health and the wellbeing of the residents of this community and others who depend on Lake Melville for food sources that supplement their everyday diets. The prospect of permanent damage to vital organs of the human body when knowingly they can be minimize[d] is "unacceptable" and not making any effort to avoid any human health risk is of great concern."*

I've been fortunate to be an active member of the Make Muskrat Right-Rigolet committee in the previous months and look forward to my continued involvement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jack Shlwak', written over a horizontal line.

Jack Shlwak

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Rigolet Inuit Community Government





threats posed by methylmercury in the environment are being minimized **despite new scientific evidence that the risks of methylmercury contamination of the Lake Melville environment are significantly greater than was believed when the environmental assessment of the Project was completed in 2012.**

We also have grave concerns that corporate and regulatory approaches to management of methylmercury threaten Inuit culture and treaty rights. These rights are protected under the Canadian Constitution and under international law, including the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* (UNDRIP). The Province of Newfoundland and Labrador has endorsed and vowed to implement the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, one of which is to fully adopt and implement the UNDRIP. The UNDRIP affirms the rights of Indigenous peoples to the conservation and protection of the environment and the productive capacity of their lands; the right to maintain and protect their cultural heritage; the right to not be subject to forced destruction of their culture; an equal right to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health; and the right to participate in decision-making in matters which would affect their rights, amongst other rights.

#### The Schartup Report and Lake Melville Report

Inuit fears about methylmercury entering the downstream environment as a result of the Project were initially stated in Nunatsiavut Government's submissions to the Joint Review Panel, were repeated during the consultations following the Panel Report and in relation to issuance of permits authorizing flooding of the Muskrat Falls reservoir and in judicial review applications to both the provincial Supreme Court and the Federal Court. The Nunatsiavut Government's position throughout has never been one of opposition to construction of the Project. We have always proceeded on the basis that the Project can be built and managed so as to protect our interests. This appeal represents our last chance to pursue that option before outright opposition to the Project becomes the only way for the Nunatsiavut Government to protect the Lake Melville environment, our Lake Melville communities and the health of our people.

Since our court applications were heard, new information has become available as a result of original, scientific research conducted as part of the Lake Melville: *Avativut Kanuittailinnivut* research program by scientific teams at Harvard University and the University of Manitoba. This research was not commissioned by the Nunatsiavut Government as suggested in the March 22, 2016 workshop notes; it was funded primarily through competitive funding processes in Canada and the U.S.A. As with all research projects under the Lake Melville: *Avativut Kanuittailinnivut* research program, Nunatsiavut Government has had no authority over the research design, collection, or analysis. Findings from this research are reported in a published, peer-reviewed paper titled *Freshwater discharges drive high levels of methylmercury in Arctic marine biota* by Schartup et al. (the Schartup Report) and a document titled *Lake Melville: Avativut Kanuittailinnivut (Our Environment, Our Health) Scientific Report* edited by Durkalec et al. (the Lake Melville Report). The Lake Melville report contains chapters by Schartup et al. and Kamula and Kuzyk that report new findings related to methylmercury and sediments and the organic carbon cycle in Lake Melville. Papers based on both of these chapters are currently being submitted for publication in peer-reviewed journals. The findings and implications of findings from the Lake Melville Report are summarized in the *Lake Melville: Avativut Kanuittailinnivut (Our Environment, Our Health) Summary for Policymakers* (the Policymakers Report), edited by Durkalec et al. All three of these documents are attached for your reference.

The significance of these reports cannot be minimized or dismissed and any assertion that nothing changes as a result of the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports is neither scientific nor credible. Nalcor Energy (Nalcor) excluded Lake Melville from detailed study for purposes of environmental assessment of the Project. Nalcor based this decision on a prediction that there would be no measurable impacts downstream. The Schartup and Lake Melville Reports establish that flooding of the Muskrat Falls reservoir will result in significant impacts on methylmercury concentrations in the Lake Melville ecosystem and increased Inuit exposure to methylmercury. The findings in the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports are substantially different than predictions presented in the Lower Churchill Environmental Assessment by Nalcor and demonstrate that the assumptions on which these predictions rest are false. The prediction of no measurable effects downstream by Nalcor underpins all decision-making with respect to the environmental effects of the Project in Lake Melville and for the peoples, including Inuit, whose cultures are grounded in that environment.

### Grounds of Appeal

The Nunatsiavut Government is appealing your decision of June 14, 2016 to approve Nalcor's HHRAP for the Project (the Decision) on the grounds that:

- (a) the Decision fails to act on the new scientific information which shows that the Project will have significant impacts on methylmercury concentrations in the Lake Melville ecosystem and increased Inuit exposure to methylmercury;
- (b) the Project will impair or damage the Lake Melville environment and have adverse effects on Inuit, including Inuit health and culture;
- (c) the Decision fails to require measures that will ensure risks associated with methylmercury concentrations in the environment as a result of the Project are properly mitigated, monitored and managed; and
- (d) the Decision, by approving the HHRAP before the results of the Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA) are complete and can be assessed and acted on, is premature and an error in law.

### Arguments in Support of Appeal

It is the position of the Nunatsiavut Government that:

1. The Decision does not respond to new and critically relevant scientific evidence regarding methylmercury effects of the Project on Inuit health. You were made aware of this evidence and its adverse effects before the date of the Decision and also before the March 22, 2016 workshop on which the Decision is primarily based.

On February 23, 2016, representatives from the Nunatsiavut Government, Dr. Trevor Bell from the Memorial University of Newfoundland, and the lead of the Harvard science team, Dr. Elsie Sunderland, met with you and with Colleen Janes, Deputy Minister of Environment and Conservation; Martin Goebel, Assistant Deputy Minister of Environment and Conservation; Dr. David Allison, Chief Medical Officer of Health; and others. Dr. Sunderland led a two-hour technical briefing regarding her team's scientific findings that demonstrated that under the

current partial clearing plan, the Project will cause a significant increase in Inuit exposure to methylmercury, potentially leading to hundreds of Inuit exceeding Health Canada methylmercury guidelines. You were made aware that these findings were to be kept confidential until they were released publicly later that spring. On March 10, 2016, the Nunatsiavut Government sent you a letter that asked you to chart a new direction for Muskrat Falls by making a regulatory decision based on the Precautionary Principle and scientific evidence from the Schartup Report and new evidence of Inuit exposure to methylmercury from the Project forthcoming in April. Despite access to this new information of critical relevance to the evaluation of the HHRAP, you convened the March 22, 2016 workshop knowing that these new findings would be necessarily excluded. Martin Goebel and Dr. David Allison, who were present at the February 23 technical briefing, also attended this workshop. The notes on the March 22 workshop make reference to the February 23 technical briefing. The findings presented to you in detail on February 23 were released publicly on April 18, 2016 in the Lake Melville Report and accompanying Policymakers Report, nearly two months before the date of the Decision.

The Lake Melville Report demonstrates that under the current partial reservoir clearing plan the Project will cause methylmercury exposures to exceed the most conservative Health Canada methylmercury guideline for hundreds of Inuit, including up to about half of the Inuit Community of Rigolet, and that full clearing including removal of topsoil could reduce this number to approximately 30 individuals.

The Decision does not disclose how the findings presented in the Lake Melville Report were employed in reevaluating the HHRAP; whether the conclusions from the March 22 workshop were reconsidered or reevaluated in light of the Lake Melville Report; and there is nothing in the substance of the Decision, or the explanation of how it was made, to show that the findings were considered by you and have been incorporated into the Decision.

2. The evaluation of the Schartup Report at the March 22, 2016 workshop omits or mischaracterizes key issues of significance to the evaluation of the HHRAP, including the significant differences between the findings in the Schartup Report and Nalcor's science on which the HHRAP is based.

Most importantly, Nalcor asserted in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that there would be no physical disturbance beyond the mouth of the Churchill River from this Project, based on the premise that Goose Bay dilutes any effects originating upstream to 'no measurable effects.' As recognized by the Joint Review Panel, these assertions were based on limited modeling that largely did not draw values from baseline sampling. Conversely, the findings in the Schartup Report are based on extensive field measurements of mercury and methylmercury in the biota, sediments, and water column of Lake Melville. Neither these methods nor the significance of these methods for interpreting differences between Nalcor's science and the Schartup Report are acknowledged in the March 22 workshop as represented by the meeting notes. To our knowledge, before the Lake Melville research program, there had been little to no baseline mercury and methylmercury measurements taken from the Lake Melville water column, sediments, and plankton. Based on these extensive field measurements the Schartup Report demonstrates that instead of diluting methylmercury, Lake Melville is a primary producer of methylmercury. Stratification of Lake Melville into a freshwater surface layer and saline bottom layer concentrates biological activity in the surface layer. This concentrated biological activity facilitates the conversion of inorganic mercury entering from rivers into methylmercury and its



rapid uptake into the Lake Melville food web.

The Schartup Report demonstrates that stratification of Lake Melville causes enhanced sensitivity in its food web to changes in the Churchill River. This evidence is not just different than Nalcor's prediction; it proves based on direct measurements of the environment that Nalcor's Goose Bay dilution premise is false. This finding fundamentally undermines the adequacy of the Project's environmental assessment and environmental decision-making that relies on evidence in the environmental assessment related to the downstream environment, including decision-making respecting mitigation and monitoring plans.

Further, the March 22 workshop implies that the Schartup Report prediction of methylmercury levels in water of 0.06 ng/L is not of concern as this value is lower than the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) Aquatic Life guideline for methylmercury of 4 ng/L. However, these guidelines are designed for the protection of aquatic life, and not for protecting human health, and especially not for protecting the health of a population with a diet rich in aquatic foods. These same CCME guidelines caution that they may not prevent the accumulation of methylmercury in aquatic life. The misinterpretation and misapplication of the CCME guidelines with reference to the Schartup Report demonstrates the lack of understanding of the main findings of the Schartup Report at the March 22 workshop and their significance.

While acknowledging that the Schartup Report "presents a case for [methylmercury] effects extending further into Lake Melville than predicted by Nalcor in the EIS," the March 22 workshop asks: "Does the Schartup et al. (2015) study change the environmental assessment approach?" and responds, "No" (p. 4). This conclusion is fundamentally and alarmingly incongruous with the evidence presented in the Schartup Report and demonstrates that the March 22 workshop evaluation of Schartup Report and its implications was incomplete and inadequate.

This poor analysis appears related to the lack of any participants in the March 22 workshop that could speak to, support, or advance the Schartup Report. The notes of the March 22 workshop incorrectly characterize the Harvard science team as NG researchers, which they are not, and as such included in the NG's invitation to attend the workshop. In declining the invitation to the workshop, the NG did not preclude you from arranging for participants who could speak to, support, or advance the Harvard science team's findings. Biases resulting from this one-sided analysis at the March 22 workshop appear to have led to an incomplete understanding of the significance of the Schartup Report and to a flawed basis for the Decision. By relying on the incomplete, inadequate, and one-sided analysis of the Schartup Report provided by this workshop, the Decision did not include an objective and complete evaluation of new scientific information of fundamental relevance to the Decision.

3. The March 22, 2016 workshop on which the Decision is primarily based provides a grossly inadequately assessment of the human health risk of increased methylmercury exposure for Inuit populations living downstream of the Project and measures to mitigate, manage, and monitor that risk. There was no constructive review of Nalcor's HHRAP despite the statement in the Executive Summary of the March 22 workshop notes that this was one of the purposes of the workshop.

First, limitations in the EA for predicting Inuit exposures to methylmercury as a results of the Project are not discussed and critically evaluated during the March 22 workshop, despite acknowledgement that methylmercury effects from the Project will extend further downstream

than anticipated in the EA. For example, as stated in the Policymakers Report, no conclusions on post-flooding methylmercury exposures for Inuit can be drawn from Nalcor's commissioned studies, including the 2011 Golder Associates report for Nalcor titled *Human Health Risk Associated with Mercury Exposure*, due to limited Inuit-specific and community specific data.

Second, the HHRAP states that one of the purposes is to consider mitigation measures, and it also states that as part of its EA commitments, "Nalcor will design extensive monitoring and mitigation programs to ensure that Hg exposure will not produce unacceptable risk to human health" (p. 15). However, the only measure proposed in the HHRAP to manage adverse human health effects is consumption advisories, which are not expected to be required downstream. In the March 22 workshop, there is no critical review of consumption advisories as a primary mitigation measure for managing health impacts of the Project given the new and acknowledged information that methylmercury effects can be expected to extend further downstream than predicted during the environmental assessment. This includes lack of evaluation of the efficacy of employing consumption advisories for reducing methylmercury exposure and the significant, negative implications of consumption advisories for nutrition, culture, well-being, and land use and harvesting rights on Inuit and other downstream populations as an unanticipated negative effect of the Project.

Third, the evaluation of full clearing of the reservoir as a measure to reduce unanticipated downstream human health impacts of the Project is wholly inadequate. Based on the Executive Summary of the March 22 workshop notes, it is evident that full clearing including topsoil removal was dismissed as a mitigation option based on two main criteria: ease of topsoil removal and potential impacts of topsoil removal on fish in the reservoir. Ease of topsoil removal is evaluated as impractical based on assertions rather than information such as engineering feasibility studies, cost estimates and a cost benefit analysis (assuming Inuit health, rights and culture can be compromised in the interests of corporate profits, which the Nunatsiavut Government does not accept) or timeline. More important, we note that the North Spur has been stripped of vegetation and that Nalcor has removed a significant amount of soil to ensure the stability of the North Spur and mitigate Project safety concerns. This demonstrates that topsoil stripping and complete vegetation removal in the context of this Project is indeed feasible and justifiable. Potential impacts of full clearing on fish in the reservoir were deemed to be excessive without any acknowledgment that creation of a reservoir itself is a significant disturbance for fish and fish habitat. Moreover, while the March 22 workshop acknowledges that stripping vegetation and organics would prevent much of the methylmercury from forming, what is missing from the assessment of this methylmercury mitigation option is any evaluation of how full reservoir clearing or remaining on the current partial clearing path would impact human methylmercury exposures and the health of downstream communities. Simply put, the workshop sees fish but not Inuit. The seriousness of this omission cannot be overstated, given that Nalcor did not identify any feasible way to reverse mercury contamination in the ecosystem once flooding takes place. Thus, the criterion that ought to be central to evaluating full clearing in the context of an HHRAP approval—the extent to which it would mitigate human health effects of the Project—was not evaluated at all and therefore could not have been considered in the decision and recommendation of the March 22 workshop that full reservoir clearing and removal of topsoil before flooding are not required.

Fourth, the prediction noted in the March 22 workshop and that was made by Nalcor during the EA of a 10% additional reduction in methylmercury levels in the reservoir when moving from

partial clearing to full clearing of trees (with an implicit assumption of a zero reduction in downstream methylmercury effects as no measurable effects were predicted in the first place) was not updated or critically evaluated based on findings in the Schartup Report.

Fifth, the lack of adequate reassessment during the March 22 workshop of how the Project will affect Inuit health, culture, well-being, and land use rights based on higher than expected methylmercury effects downstream appears to have contributed to the lack of evaluation in the same workshop of appropriate changes to the environmental management of the Project, including any changes to involvement of downstream users in environmental decision-making. The opening comments reported in the March 22 workshop notes acknowledge the Nunatsiavut Government's submission with respect to downstream environmental monitoring and management but the workshop report provides no evaluation of the need to adapt management structures related to downstream monitoring and management of the Project in light of the new information and conclusions arising out of the Schartup Report.

Sixth, while there is discussion in the March 22 workshop of adding one additional monitoring site for fish and seals in Lake Melville to measure the spatial extent of downstream methylmercury effects, there is no critical evaluation of what changes to the downstream monitoring regime should take place to protect human health in light of the expectation of increased methylmercury exposures for Inuit and other downstream users, including monitoring that is predictive of changes to human methylmercury exposures before they occur. It is suggested that Health Canada is reviewing Nalcor's health research models and assumptions to provide advice on the monitoring regime in the future. It is contrary to the Precautionary Principle that the March 22 workshop participants fail to recommend that the Province wait to receive this important information before making a decision about the HHRAP and what changes to the monitoring regime may be needed before flooding begins an irreversible methylmercury pulse that will be transported downstream and begin accumulation and magnification in the food web.

The numerous ways in which the March 22 workshop fails to adequately assess environmental and human health risks of increased methylmercury exposure for Inuit populations living downstream of the Project and the appropriate measures to mitigate, manage, and monitor that risk has resulted in a Decision that is flawed and frustrates the purpose of environmental assessment and adaptive management. We will return to these last two points below.

4. The Decision, by approving the HHRAP before the results of the HHRA are complete and can be assessed and acted on, is premature. Currently, the complete results of the HHRA are not available; Nalcor is still collecting data and monitoring. Based on the results in the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports, it is clear that significant changes to the current mitigation, monitoring, and environmental management program for the Project are needed to address unpredicted and significantly adverse effects of the Project for the environment and Inuit and other downstream populations. For example, the HHRAP as a framework and process document specifies that consultation with relevant communities will be part of the HHRA. However, now that previously unexpected, significant negative downstream effects are expected to occur within the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area as a result of the Project, a significantly higher level of Inuit involvement in environmental decision-making is required and processes for accommodation of Inuit concerns related to threats to the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area should be specified in the HHRAP. If the Province has any uncertainty about the Harvard science results or their



implications — uncertainty which we note was not expressed during the August 4, 2016 methylmercury meeting, where neither the Province nor Nalcor disputed the Harvard science findings — then the precautionary approach and principles of evidence-based and scientifically-informed decision making dictate that the Province should wait until the HHRA is complete and can be assessed and responded to, and the HHRAP revised and amended based on these results, before the HHRAP is approved. We remind you that in your mandate letter of December 14, 2015, the Premier outlines his intention that policy decisions of his government are informed by research, evidence, and evaluation.

Further, in the HHRAP it is stated that, “Nalcor has committed to completing a final baseline HHRA before the Project changes the conditions of the lower Churchill River (i.e., pre-inundation) (p. 13).” This commitment means that the complete and final HHRA, including with baseline data from any additional monitoring sites, must be reviewed by appropriate authorities and organizations, including the Nunatsiavut Government, and that the HHRAP is reviewed and amended to address any concerns and gaps before flooding takes place, and indeed before any activities that change the conditions of the lower Churchill River take place. This commitment is a response to the requirement in the EIS guidelines that, “[t]he collection of baseline data of MeHg exposure of the local human population should be completed, including a review by Aboriginal groups and appropriate government agencies, before the Proponent changes the conditions of the Churchill River in any way that could affect mercury concentrations” (p. 30). This commitment has been expressly incorporated by reference as a term and condition on which the Project may proceed under section 4(a) of the *Lower Churchill Hydroelectric Generation Project Undertaking Order*. The Decision cannot exonerate or relieve Nalcor from that condition of the Order. For that reason the Nunatsiavut government believes, and submits, that approving the HHRAP before the HHRA has been completed and before the HHRAP can be evaluated and/or revised to take account of the HHRA is both premature and an error in law.

The Nunatsiavut Government notes that even if the Decision is not considered to be premature by the Province, the fact that the HHRAP is being approved before all health assessments are complete places a premium on the establishment of effective, responsive, independent, and credible adaptive management arrangements. The need for credible adaptive management arrangements is something that the Nunatsiavut Government considers critically important in the context of the methylmercury issue, particularly in light of the way the issue has been dealt with in the context of the Project to date, the risks it poses to human health, and the strong reliance that Nalcor and the federal and provincial governments place on consumption advisories. The Nunatsiavut Government considers that credible adaptive management will be served by a multi-party monitoring board acting with the advice and assistance of an independent advisory committee.

5. The failure of the Decision to require mitigation of methylmercury effects to the fullest extent possible within the context of the Project proceeding through full clearing of vegetation and topsoil removal is a failure of the application of the internationally-recognized Precautionary Principle and the Province’s own precautionary approach. The precautionary approach that informs the Act, as identified in the 2002 Guide to the Environmental Protection Act (the Guide), is informed by the Precautionary Principle. In the Guide, the precautionary approach states the intention that all reasonable environmental measures will be taken if there is a threat of serious or irreversible damage to the environment, even if full scientific knowledge is lacking. The precautionary approach is also a decision-making priority related to or affecting wildlife, plants



and their habitat in the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area, as outlined in the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement (see section 12.2.1).

Precautionary Principle as defined by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) holds that when human activities may lead to morally unacceptable harm that is scientifically plausible but uncertain, actions shall be taken to avoid or diminish that harm. The Schartup and Lake Melville Reports demonstrate that we can expect Project effects that constitute morally unacceptable harm, as they meet not one but all of the criteria for such harm. Specifically, the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports demonstrate that effects of the Project: (a) threaten human health, through significantly increased methylmercury exposures for a large population of Inuit downstream of the Project; (b) are serious and effectively irreversible, as Nalcor has not identified a way to reduce methylmercury levels in the ecosystem due to flooding once flooding has taken place; (c) are inequitable to present or future generations, as young children are most vulnerable to neurological and cognitive impacts from dietary methylmercury exposure, with fetuses being most at risk, leading to a long-term and irreversible diminishment in potential for future generations; and (d) are being imposed without adequate consideration of the human rights of those affected, as the rights of Inuit to harvesting, culture, and to a safe environment, amongst other basic human and Indigenous rights, are expected to be diminished against the will and without the consent of affected Inuit populations.

Evidence from the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports demonstrate that there is more than a plausible risk of morally unacceptable harm; the evidence demonstrates that on the current regulatory path we can expect these harms to take place. At the March 22, 2016 workshop there was acknowledgement that the Schartup Report indicates that methylmercury levels will increase downstream contrary to predictions in the EA, and during the August 4, 2016 meeting on the Project's methylmercury effects with you and other representatives from the province, federal government, Nalcor, and Indigenous leadership, there was no disagreement with the results of the Harvard science as documented in the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports. At the August 4 meeting, Nalcor stated that they are aware that methylmercury levels will increase downstream as a result of the Project. With even less certainty in the plausibility of negative downstream methylmercury effects and only one criterion met for morally unacceptable harm, the application of a precautionary approach to environmental decision-making on the basis of the Precautionary Principle should be warranted with regards to mitigating methylmercury at the source. Given that there is agreement that methylmercury effects are expected and evidence that effects will constitute morally unacceptable harm, there can be no justification for failing to apply the Precautionary Principle by rendering a decision that fails or refuses to require the only measure that can mitigate increases in methylmercury levels in the downstream environment: full reservoir clearing of all vegetation and topsoil removal.

6. The Decision fails to serve the purpose of Part X of the Act as set out in section 46, which provides that:

*The purpose of this Part is to*

- (a) protect the environment and quality of life of the people of the province; and*
- (b) facilitate the wise management of the natural resources of the province, through the institution of environmental assessment procedures before and after the commencement of an undertaking that may be potentially damaging to the environment.*

As discussed in arguments 1 to 4, the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports demonstrate that

methylmercury resulting from flooding of the Muskrat Falls reservoir will affect the Lake Melville environment, a possibility that was neither studied nor predicted in the EA conducted prior to approval of the Project. As discussed in argument 5, the Province and Nalcor have not disputed Harvard science findings that demonstrated that the Project will cause methylmercury effects downstream. Section 46 of the Act speaks to protection of the environment "after the commencement" of the Project and the definition of "environment" as used in that section includes human life and the social, economic, recreational, cultural and aesthetic conditions and factors that influence the life of humans or a community. The Decision, by not addressing new scientific information about the adverse effects of the Project, by failing to require full clearing of the Muskrat reservoir, by failing to apply the Precautionary Principle, and by approving the HHRAP undermines, if not defeats, the purpose of Part X of the Act.

Further, the Decision to subject the HHRAP to an additional requirement to provide reasonable and appropriate compensation measures to address the impact of a consumption advisory should one be necessary, effectively licences harm to the environment, including the Inuit, and establishes an arrangement under which the entity that causes the harm will get to determine its licence fee by deciding the need for and the nature and extent of compensation for the harm. This is wrong and unacceptable.

7. The Report of the Joint Review Panel for the Project called for adaptive management of the Project to mitigate negative impacts that might be revealed through follow-up and monitoring (see recommendations 6.7 and 15.7). Indeed, follow-up and monitoring are pointless unless permitting and other management techniques and instruments are adapted to account for new information and unanticipated adverse effects. The importance of adaptive management is inherently recognized in the conditions of release of the Project under section 4 of the *Lower Churchill Hydroelectric Generation Project Undertaking Order* (Reg 18/12) (the Order). Subsection 4(e) of the Order provides in part that:

*Nalcor Energy shall prepare and abide by the requirements of environmental effects monitoring plans for all phases of the project, and those plans shall be submitted to and approved by the Minister of Environment and Conservation or the appropriate minister of the Crown before the commencement of an activity which is associated with or may affect one or more of the following matters:*

- ...
- (iv) methylmercury,*
- (v) sediment quality and transport,*
- ...
- (x) reservoir clearing,*
- ...
- (xii) contaminant levels in country foods,*
- ...
- (xx) aboriginal land and resource use and culture,*
- ...
- (xxii) human health,*
- ...

The Order, by requiring that Nalcor prepare and abide by environmental effects monitoring plans approved by the Minister of Environment and Conservation **before** the commencement of an activity associated with or that may affect methylmercury, reservoir clearing and human health

(amongst other matters), mandates adaptive management for all phases of the Project and requires Nalcor's compliance with adaptive management requirements before commencing those activities.

The implications of the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports are significant and of central relevance to the matters that must be considered before commencing an activity authorized by virtue of the Order. The Schartup and Lake Melville Reports, the results of which the Province and Nalcor did not dispute at the August 4, 2016 Project methylmercury effects meeting, provide previously unavailable information with respect to methylmercury, sediment quality and transport, the likelihood of contaminant levels in country food in Lake Melville, the likelihood of adverse effects on Aboriginal land and resource use and on human health, and the significance of reservoir clearing. These are all matters that will be affected by flooding of the Muskrat Falls reservoir and are all matters that the Order specifies **must** be addressed through an approved Environmental Effects Management Plan (EEMP) before flooding is commenced. There is nothing in the Decision to show that the new information has been systematically assessed in relation to the requirements of the Order (see arguments 1 to 3) or how the enumerated matters are provided for in the EEMP and HHRAP in light of the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports. In sum, the Decision demonstrates no adaptation to new information and includes no new adaptive measures or requirements in light of new information with respect to matters that must be addressed in terms of the Order. For that reason the Decision is inconsistent with the intent and the terms of the Order.

### Conclusion

In conclusion the Nunatsiavut Government believes that the Decision fails to properly account for the new scientific information provided in the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports and as a result fails to do what is required, whether in principle or by the Act or Order, to protect the health of the Lake Melville environment, the well-being of the people who depend on that environment and the culture of the Inuit. We believe that flooding of the Muskrat Falls reservoir should not commence before it has been fully cleared of trees, vegetation, and brush and topsoil removed.

In light of the history of this issue and the new information resulting from the Schartup and Lake Melville Reports we believe it is essential that environmental and human health monitoring and management plans are mediated by an independent expert advisory committee reporting to a joint management body on which the Inuit are full and equal partners. We believe that unless your decision provides for these accommodations the purpose of Part X of the Act will not be met, that adaptive management of the Project's environmental effects will be reduced to serving the interests of Nalcor at the expense of environmental and human health, and that decisions and actions arising out of monitoring and management arrangements will lack credibility and simply fuel ongoing controversy.

We therefore request that the Decision to approve the HHRAP be overturned. We also request that you issue a new decision designed to protect the environment and human health. To that end we ask that you act to minimize the amount of methylmercury entering the downstream environment, including Lake Melville, by ordering full clearing of trees, vegetation, and brush from the Muskrat Falls reservoir including the removal of topsoil. We also ask that you mandate the establishment of a joint management body, assisted by an independent expert advisory committee, to advise regulatory decision-makers about Nalcor's EEMP and HHRAP and necessary adaptive management measures in relation to both. Lastly, the Nunatsiavut Government also asks that you rescind the condition respecting consumption advisories

and compensation measures to address their impact and refer the issues of consumption advisories and compensation to the joint management body for its advice.

The Schartup report, Lake Melville report and Policymakers report are shown as enclosed to this letter. Due to email size limitations the reports can be found in the following dropbox folder link; [https://www.dropbox.com/sh/on8c3eu9d6z70nk/AAAiaTx2eOvhYbXaYn\\_qSxUBa?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/on8c3eu9d6z70nk/AAAiaTx2eOvhYbXaYn_qSxUBa?dl=0)

All of which is respectfully submitted,



Daryl Shiwak  
Minister of Lands and Natural Resources  
Nunatsiavut Government

cc Hon. Dominic LeBlanc  
Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada

Stan Marshall  
Chief Executive Officer  
Nalcor Energy

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Enclosure: Schartup Report  
Lake Melville Report  
Policymakers Report  
**(Enclosures by dropbox folder link only)**

**Make Muskrat Right – Rigolet**  
**C: Charlotte Wolfrey**  
**General Delivery**  
**Rigolet, NL**  
**AOP 1P0**

**August 26, 2016**

**Office of the Prime Minister**  
**80 Wellington Street**  
**Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2**

**Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,**

**We write in desperation requesting immediate intervention in the Muskrat Falls hydroelectric development project located in Newfoundland and Labrador. Inuit rights in relation to culture and health are violated by the unmitigated flooding of the Muskrat Falls Reservoir.**

**The Nunatsiavut Government (NG) has completed research – the Schartup Report and the Lake Melville Report, highlighting significant human health and environmental impacts as a result of flooding. The NG formally launched the #MakeMuskratRight campaign lobbying for full clearing of the reservoir prior to flooding. Despite scientific evidence the Newfoundland and Labrador Government continues to proceed to the September 12, 2016 flood date.**

**With a local Inuit population of 2,560 (or 1/3 of the Nunatsiavut membership) and an additional 8,000 settler, Innu, NunatuKavut and Labradorians living in the Upper Lake Melville area adjacent to the Muskrat Falls hydroelectric development, the Inuit community of Rigolet will be ground zero for downstream methylmercury effects.**

**Are you aware that your government, through approval of the federal loan guarantees to NL, is permitting methyl mercury poisoning through the damming of Muskrat Falls project as evidenced by the above noted Schartup and Lake Melville reports.**

**The continuation of the project(reference) as is, will violate our basic human rights as outlined in Section 27.1 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP): "Everyone has the right freely to participate in the cultural life of the community... and to share in scientific advancement and its benefits."**

**Upon your October 2015 acceptance into the office of Prime Minister, you clearly stated: "You want a Prime Minister that knows that a renewed nation-to-nation relationship with Indigenous peoples that respects rights and honours treaties must be the basis for how we work to close the gap and walk forward together." Coupling this approach with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada Calls to Action Report (2015), Canada has demonstrated the need to establish a productive relationship between the indigenous peoples and the Government to focus on preserving indigenous lands and our quality of life. However, allowing Muskrat Falls to proceed as it now stands is in direct conflict with the above mandate.**



We now call for your assistance and support of the #MakeMuskratRight campaign. As a community, we collectively request the federal Government immediately cease increases to the loan guarantees to the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador for the Muskrat Falls project, until Nalcor and the NL government agree to mitigation through full clearing of the flood zone.

We request your presence in Rigolet, Nunatsiavut. Onsite interaction with both citizens and the local environment will cement your understanding that our Inuit community is on the cusp of cultural genocide and imminent health and environmental impacts.

Many documents and meetings have already transpired and nothing has changed. The machinery continues to arrive to destroy our land and water.

This dam will cause irreversible environmental damage; the mercury levels in our fish will be too high and will make it impossible for us to harvest the fish and seals we have lived off of since time immemorial. Harvard University has proven this; you must come and see for yourself.

Additional resources have provided below for your reference/background.

With the anticipated flood date of early Fall 2016 quickly approaching, your Immediate attention and response is required.

Respectfully,



Make Muskrat Right - Rigolet  
Rigolet, Nunatsiavut

CC:

- Darryl Shiwak, Ordinary Member, Nunatsiavut Government
- Anthony J. Shiwak, AngajukKâk, Rigolet Inuit Community Government
- Johannes Lampe, President, Nunatsiavut Government
- Natan Obed, President, ITK
- Todd Russell, President, NunatuKavut
- Anastasia Qupee, Grand Chief, Innu Nation
- Randy Edmunds, MHA, Torngat Mountains District
- Hon. Dwight Ball, Premier, Newfoundland and Labrador
- Yvonne Jones, MP, Labrador
- Hon. Carolyn Bennett, Minister of Indigenous Affairs
- Hon. Catharine McKenna, Minister of Environment & Climate Change
- Hon. Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans

**Research Documents:**

Schartup Report - <http://www.aminaschartup.com/assets/schartup-et-al-2015-proceedings-of-the.pdf>

Lake Melville Report - <http://makemuskratright.com/>

Nunatsiavut Government Appeal to NL Government ( August 12, 2016) of Nalcor Energy's Human Health Risk Assessment Plan (HHRAP) for the Lower Churchill Hydroelectric Generation Project.

Make Muskrat Right – Rigolet Committee  
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August 26, 2016

**Re: Rigolet Committee – Financial Support & Staff Involvement**

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Sincerely,



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Make Muskrat Right – Rigolet Committee Member



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August 22, 2016

**Re: Rigolet Committee Support of/Inclusion in Nunatsiavut Make Muskrat Right Campaign**

Minister Shiwak:

Please receive this letter from the #MakeMuskratRight-Rigolet committee as formal support for Nunatsiavut Government's position requiring full clearing of the reservoir prior to flooding, and if not achieved, pursue project stoppage. In support of this cause, the local community group has been an active (informal) partner in this fight, with participation in/organization of various activities:

1. Aboriginal Day Rally, June 21 (150 ppl attended), Rigolet, attended by President Lampe;
2. Concerned citizens federal and provincial letter writing campaign, (120 fed/prov ltrs signed/sent by fax and post) June 2016;
3. Rally in the Valley, (30 participants sent by Northern Ranger ferry service) June 27, Goose Bay
4. Rally for federal and provincial attendance at Salmon Festival, August 10 (30 ppl), Rigolet;
5. Gathering at Minister Trimper's Office and Veterans Memorial Bridge (20 ppl chartered by aircraft to Goose Bay), Goose Bay, August 18.

Upcoming Events/Activities:

1. Support Letter from RICG for Make Muskrat Right-Rigolet committee/efforts;
2. Preparation of/submitssion of Letter to Prime Minister Trudeau;
3. Community Household Survey (determine perspective on full clearing/project stoppage, participation options for gatherings, preferred function of committee, etc.);
4. Household Poster Campaign (#MakeMuskratRight signs for each household).

To ensure our participation in the above events, the group applied to/received funding from the local Alviktok Trust in the amount of \$5000. These funds were leveraged with support from NG contributions (Bert Pomeroy) for transportation costs associated with August 9/11 Air Labrador charter to Goose Bay gathering (approximately \$1700) and gracious in-kind support from DHSD (Michelle Kinney) for ground transportation at both Rally in the Valley and Gathering events. To date, all available funds from this application have been exhausted.

Our efforts have been effective despite limited funds and lack of formal communication link with the Nunatsiavut Government internal planning committee. By formally declaring our support for NG's efforts, we would like to create a direct communications link with the committee to ensure local

awareness of regional planning as a means to support your efforts and also, to engage our community/committee to respond to/be informed of the progress on this important file.

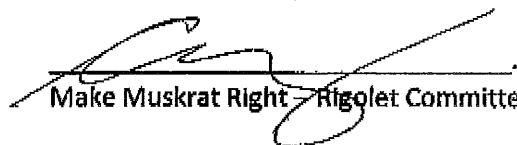
To continue the momentum on this issue, we anticipate additional event planning and participation. Specifically, we are brainstorming potential community rally and information gathering options and expect NG will prepare a response to Minister Trimper's review/decision on to the soon to be released Feasibility Study of which Rigolet would like to send representatives to attend.

To participate in both of these events (and additional local programming as needed), we will need to secure additional funds. Does this cause meet the criteria of the Tasujatsoak Trust? If not, where should we seek out financial support to continue our active participation in this important cause?

The community is rallying behind this important issue as Rigolet will be ground zero for the Inuit impact of methylmercury, but also to lend support to our Aboriginal and Non-Aboriginal neighbors in Upper Lake Melville and our four other Inuit communities. We appreciate your efforts to launch the #MakeMuskratRight campaign, the continued workshops with your Provincial counterparts, hosting of rallies/gatherings, uniting of the three aboriginal leaders, appealing the June 14 NL HHRAP decision and information sharing on this significantly impactful issue. We request that momentum not be lost and you continue the fight to represent us on this issue and we will gladly support you in any way possible.

Our culture, food source, health and future community development are severely threatened by the currently NL supported flooding approach to the Muskrat Falls hydroelectric development. We thank the NG for their efforts and will stand beside you to reverse the NL decision, and if not adhered to, support the shut down of the entire project.

Sincerely,



Make Muskrat Right - Rigolet Committee Member.

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**RE: Support for Make Muskrat Right – Rigolet Committee**

Dear Committee Members;

Thank you for contacting the Rigolet Inuit Community Government on this important issue. Your role to bring awareness and activism to the unmitigated flooding of the Muskrat Falls reservoir is an appreciated effort.

The presentation of the role and activities of the committee to date provided to the Community Council on July 20, 2016, created the opportunity for both learning and discussion. Upon review of the information received, councillors confirmed support for this cause and the committee.

Please note, I've previously communicated our concern on this issue to Minister Trimper as of April 26, 2016 (see excerpt below) and am pleased the committee of community members are echoing this stance.

"At present, the development of the Muskrat Falls project will threaten the health and the wellbeing of the residents of this community and others who depend on Lake Melville for food sources that supplement their everyday diets. The prospect of permanent damage to vital organs of the human body when knowingly they can be minimize[d] is "unacceptable" and not making any effort to avoid any human health risk is of great concern."

I've been fortunate to be an active member of the Make Muskrat Right-Rigolet committee in the previous months and look forward to my continued involvement.

Sincerely,

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Anthony J. Shiwak  
AngajukKâk



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## NEWS RELEASE

September 29, 2016

For Immediate Release

### Progress made during Muskrat Falls meeting with Province, but still no commitment to fully clear reservoir

The Nunatsiavut Government maintains that every effort must be made to fully clear the Muskrat Falls reservoir before flooding starts, despite commitments from the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to address, as much as possible, concerns over pending increases in methylmercury exposures downstream from the project.

Nunatsiavut President Johannes Lampe and Lands and Natural Resources Minister Darryl Shiwak met with Premier Dwight Ball, Environment and Climate Change Minister Perry Trimper and Natural Resources Minister Siobhan Coady on Monday to, once again, raise concerns over the impending threat to the health and wellbeing and way of life of Labrador Inuit as a result of the Muskrat Falls project.

“The Premier indicated that the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador would not force Nalcor to fully clear the reservoir prior to initial flooding, scheduled to take place this fall,” notes President Lampe.

The initial flooding will affect some 25 per cent of the reservoir, raising water levels from the current 18 meters to 25 meters. The remaining 75 per cent of the reservoir is expected to be flooded sometime in 2019.

“It was disappointing to learn that full clearing would not be carried out before initial flooding, but the Premier did commit to immediately begin the process of examining the feasibility of fully clearing the remaining 75 per cent of the reservoir before full impoundment,” says President Lampe. “We advised the Premier that our position has not changed, and that the entire reservoir must be fully cleared of trees, vegetation and topsoil before any flooding takes place.”

The Premier also committed to further discussions on the other three Nunatsiavut Government recommendations as outlined in the Make Muskrat Right campaign, specifically:

- an Impact Management Agreement with the Nunatsiavut Government;
- establishing an Independent Expert Advisory Committee of recognized academic experts to advise on the design and audit of a rigorous, credible, and predictive monitoring program for downstream impacts of Muskrat Falls on the environment and health, using the best available scientific and Inuit knowledge; and
- granting Inuit joint decision-making authority over downstream environmental monitoring and management.

“While we will continue to insist on full clearing, it is imperative that an effective monitoring program be established immediately to measure the amount of mercury entering into the ecosystem after initial flooding in order to provide a better understanding of the potential impacts,” says Minister Shiwak. “This monitoring program is essential in ensuring we are ready to deal with any impacts before they arise.”

On April 18, 2016, the Nunatsiavut Government released the independent Lake Melville Scientific Report, the result of four years of a multi-pronged investigation that has led to important scientific discoveries about how methylmercury accumulates in the Lake Melville ecosystem and how it will impact Inuit who rely on that ecosystem for food and resources.

According to the Harvard University report, hundreds of Labrador Inuit will be pushed above regulatory guidelines for exposure to methylmercury if the Muskrat Falls reservoir is not fully cleared of all wood, brush, vegetation and topsoil.

The research indicates that flooding will cause a sharp rise in methylmercury production in the Muskrat Falls reservoir within 120 hours that can remain elevated for several decades. Methylmercury exposures of Inuit living around Lake Melville are currently higher than the Canadian population, and will increase significantly after flooding unless the reservoir is fully cleared. Rigolet residents are at a higher risk of increased methylmercury exposure compared with Inuit living in the Upper Lake Melville area due to their greater reliance on locally-harvested food.

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Nunatsiavut Executive Council  
 C/O Darryl Shiwak, Minister, Lands and Natural Resources  
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September 19, 2016

**Re: MakeMuskratRight – Community Survey Results, Action Requested**

Minister Shiwak:

Since sending our August 26, 2016 letter, the Nunatsiavut Government appeal of the HHRAP for the Lower Churchill project has been turned down. The committee is concerned this response is a direct implication of the unlikely possibility of Minister Trimper revising his earlier decision on Muskrat Falls. It is our view that further escalated action is needed to address this MakeMuskratRight issue. The committee developed and implemented a household survey on September 15-16 (last week) to confirm the community's direction on the MakeMuskratRight campaign. The results are overwhelming. A summary is provided below.

1. Of 115 households, 83 completed surveys, or 72% of households in town;
2. 90% of participants are concerned about the damming of Muskrat Falls;
3. 51% of these participants have children residing in their household;
4. 46% of participants are willing to attend protests inside/outside of the community;
5. 54% of participants want the project SHUT DOWN;
  - a. Of those participants, 11 additional comments were received stating that the goal should be first Shut Down Project, if not possible, then fully clear reservoir.
6. When asked what should the committee be doing?, the community agreed with protest rallies, petitions, letter writing, but 76% of participants answered 'other': see majority of those responses below around *Aboriginal leadership, On-site Muskrat Falls protests, research and need for provincial and federal support:*

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...Demonstrate @ site, stop production

...keeping at the leaders of Nunatsiavut to do something! We need to be heard on this serious situation, our lives are literally at stake.

...I think that as many people including school kids should all go in Muskrat to try and stop the flood

...keep protesting for longer periods of time at sites, do it in shift work times

...Has to start with our native government!

...investigate other projects and affects of them i.e. Churchill falls, James Bay, etc before and after

...NG, federal government should be talking & informing the area where and what impact it will have on us



...demand support from provincial and federal reps

... 1. Inform potential buyers of the power of the environmental/aboriginal concerns 2. meet with the prime minister 3. court injunction to stop

...attending meetings with elected political members to bring the issue into the political realm of the province and federal government

...work with other aboriginal groups (Innu Nation, Nunatuavut) combine forces and work together

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With statistical evaluation and support from the community, the MakeMuskratRight-Rigolet committee is requesting the Nunatsiavut Government step up its efforts to prevent the looming long term impacts of this project.

The community supports the SHUT DOWN of this project both in terms of opinion and participation with community members ready to protest in person against this development and its known methylmercury impacts from an environmental, food source and cultural standpoint.

In the wake of the Research Workshop Report (from August 4) provided by Minister Trimper's office, while NG feedback will be solicited, the outcome of the report has not been committed to as action from the provincial government. In the delay between this report development and the Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans **permission to flood date of October 1, 2016, there is no time to be silent or negotiate** behind closed doors on this issue. The committee respects the need for discussion and the research workshop, but with little public attention brought to this issue since the August 18 gathering at the Veteran's Bridge, we are at a critical cross roads on this issue that requires drastic attention to elicit a necessary response.

We demand the Nunatsiavut Government review this issue with the utmost urgency. With the 1) rejection of the NG HHRAP Appeal, 2) the non-committal approach of NL Minister Trimper to the Research Workshop Report for Full Clearing and 3) the silence and lack of support/action from provincial and federal support representatives from Torngat Mountains MHA Randy Edmunds and Labrador Member of Parliament Yvonne Jones, the response now needs to be escalated from the previous rallies and gatherings. The Nunatsiavut Government needs to **take this issue on-site at Muskrat Falls with a continued protest of beneficiaries on this issue, providing support for staff participation, community travel/participation and legal support if needed.**

The community of Rigolet supports the Nunatsiavut Government. The community requests the Nunatsiavut Government support the community's direction to SHUT DOWN the MUKSTRAT FALLS project. With the negative outcome of the negotiation and research/workshop period of the MakeMuskratRight campaign, the next step is to escalate efforts against this project to ensure the health of our culture, mental well-being, environment and traditional food source.

We request this urgent issue be presented/discussed at the upcoming Nunatsiavut Executive Council meeting on Monday, September 19, 2016 in Hopedale. Your response and support are appreciated. We look forward to your feedback as soon as possible.



Sincerely,



Charlotte Wolfrey

Make Muskrat Right – Rigolet Committee Member.

Cc:

President Johannes Lampe

Minister Greg Flowers, Department of Health and Social Development

Minister Sean Lyall, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism

AngajukKâk Jack Shiwak, Inuit Community Government

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Unfortunately the organizing committee is unable to cover many of the expenses but can cover the cost of passage via charter on October 15 however return must be on the boat on Monday October 17.

Your signature on this document means that:

- You understand that the only the costs of air fare will be covered (return must be on October 17).
- You must state where you will stay in Goose Bay (no funds to cover accommodations available).
- You have money to cover your food expenses (no funds to cover meals available).
- You are on time to events and to the airport. (we are unable to provide funds for taxis if you miss your ride).
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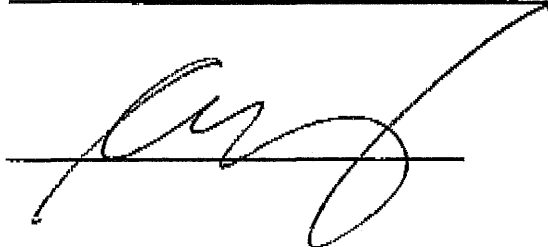
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Executive Council  
October 26, 2016

### Provincial Government and Indigenous Leaders Make Significant Progress on Muskrat Falls Issues

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Innu Nation, Nunatsiavut Government, and the NunatuKavut Community Council met to address concerns regarding the health and well-being of the people of Labrador as related to the Muskrat Falls project.

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, in partnership with the three Indigenous leaders, has committed to resolving several key issues surrounding the pending flooding of the Muskrat Falls reservoir.

The Province has provided the Indigenous leaders with multiple engineering reports with respect to the timing and rationale of initial reservoir impoundment. The three leaders will immediately undertake to have the reports independently reviewed within days. If independent assessment confirms the timing and rationale of initial impoundment, water levels will be raised to the minimum acceptable level. Following initial impoundment, Nalcor will release water from the reservoir in the spring of 2017 to its natural flow, as ordered by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador. This will facilitate the opportunity for additional mitigation measures, which may include clearing trees, vegetation and/or soil from the reservoir.

As well, as agreed by all parties, an Independent Expert Advisory Committee (IEAC) will be established. The IEAC will be comprised of representatives of the Innu Nation, Nunatsiavut Government, the NunatuKavut Community Council, and federal, provincial and municipal governments.

The IEAC will be mandated to seek an independent, evidence-based approach that will determine and recommend options for mitigating human health concerns related to methylmercury throughout the reservoir as well as in the Lake Melville ecosystem. Mitigation measures will be realized through utilizing best available science that incorporates Indigenous Traditional Knowledge. The full mandate of the IEAC continues to be refined.

All parties agree that these are new and significant commitments.

1. An evidence-based approach supported by peer-reviewed science to mitigate human health concerns related to methyl-mercury created as a result of the Muskrat Falls Project
2. An independent assessment of the necessity of first phase flooding based on Nalcor's science and engineering reports. If flooding is necessary flooding height and duration is kept to a minimum. First phase flooding will be used to help inform second phase of flooding.
3. The removal of soil to minimize methyl-mercury production as identified by independent scientific research during second phase impoundment.
4. A commitment from the Federal Government that it will fulfill its regulatory and compliance obligations related to the project and actively participate in an integrated monitoring program.

Sincerely,  
William (Billy) Leo Rank Gauthier, Dallah Miriam Saunders, and Jeremias (Jerry) David Zack Kohlmeister

*Billy Gauthier*  
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## **N.L. promises to re-examine Muskrat Falls reservoir clearing as Indigenous groups push for change**

**Muskrat Falls will 'lose everything' if initial flooding doesn't proceed as planned: Environment Minister**

By Bailey White, CBC News Posted: Oct 04, 2016 8:28 AM NT Last Updated: Oct 04, 2016 8:54 AM NT

After months of protest from Inuit and other Indigenous groups over Muskrat Falls flooding — including a demonstration this past Monday at the construction site — the province's minister of environment and conservation says his government will take a closer look at the feasibility of further clearing the megaproject's reservoir.

"What we'd do is go through all of the issues and challenges around what it would take to further clear beyond what Nalcor has already done," said Perry Trimper.

The Nunatsiavut Government, which represents Labrador Inuit, has repeatedly pointed to research it commissioned by experts at Harvard University. That study suggests flooding the reservoir could cause methyl mercury levels to spike downstream in Lake Melville, threatening to contaminate food sources, like birds, fish and seals in the region.

Nunatsiavut wants the reservoir cleared of vegetation and soil because researchers believe that will reduce methyl mercury levels.

- Nalcor downplays study findings into methylmercury fears at Muskrat Falls
- Drew Brown breaks down the methylmercury concerns

## **Full clearing 'not possible'**

Trimper said officials from Nunatsiavut and other Indigenous groups will be invited, along with experts and officials from both the province and Nalcor, to a discussion about the viability of further clearing.

"There are legal, there are regulatory, there are logistics, there are a variety of challenges here, but we're willing to sit down and have a very much informed dialogue," he said.

Nalcor plans to begin flooding as early as Oct. 15, but isn't planning to complete the reservoir until 2019. Only 25 per cent will be flooded this fall, and Trimper said that area is partially cleared.

"We're at a physical point in the project where the flooding needs to occur to protect the integrity of the structure," he said.

"Or we'll lose everything that's been invested to date."

While the province has committed to exploring the options for clearing the remaining 75 per cent of the reservoir, Trimper stressed that complete clearing would be virtually impossible.

"To take all vegetation, to take all soil out of that reservoir is not possible," he said.

"But can more be done? That's what we're willing to take a look at."

## **National Inuit organization calls for change**

While the province and Nunatsiavut continue to discuss mitigation measures, the head of Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami (ITK), a national Inuit organization, said his group is backing Labrador Inuit.

"This is significant because usually ITK works on issues of national importance that impact all Inuit regions," said Natan Obed, ITK president.

"But it is something that other Inuit regions were very clear that they wanted to see justice done for Nunatsiavut Inuit and they were willing to help."

Obed wrote to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau in hopes of convincing federal officials to compel the province to do more.

"Requesting that the impacts of the project don't negatively affect our health, and don't further exacerbate our food insecurity issues, and don't poison our people for generations to come — those aren't crazy requests. Those, I think, are requests that any person in Canada could understand and sympathize with."

### Nunatsiavut cautiously optimistic

In an emailed statement, Nunatsiavut President Johannes Lampe said his government wouldn't be satisfied unless Nalcor completes the full clearing.

"Our position has not changed... the entire reservoir must be fully cleared of trees, vegetation and topsoil before any flooding takes place."

Lampe pointed to other commitments from the province, including further discussions about an impact management agreement and the establishment of an independent expert advisory committee — but so far, the details haven't been worked out.

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Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami joins the Nunatsiavut Government in calling on the governments of Canada and Newfoundland and Labrador to demand changes to the Muskrat Falls hydroelectric generation project in Labrador to mitigate the environmental and health impacts of the project on Labrador Inuit before flooding of the reservoir is scheduled to begin after Oct. 1.

The Nalcor Energy project involves the construction of an 824-megawatt hydroelectric generating facility on the lower Churchill River, approximately 30 kilometres west of Happy Valley-Goose Bay, Labrador. The facility consists of two dams and a powerhouse.

The Nunatsiavut Government's recommendations include requiring Nalcor to fully clear the Muskrat Falls reservoir of trees, vegetation and soil prior to flooding; mediation of environmental and human-health monitoring and management plans by an independent expert advisory committee reporting to a joint management body on which Inuit are full partners; and preventing any activities that affect Inuit health and harvesting rights to commence before Nalcor has negotiated and Impact Management Agreement with the Nunatsiavut Government.

"ITK joins Nunatsiavut Inuit in calling on the Government of Canada to intervene and use its authority to require changes to the project. We also strongly encourage the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to implement the Nunatsiavut Government's recommendations before flooding begins," said National Inuit Leader Natan Obed, President of Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami.

"This is an urgent matter, and I have written to the Prime Minister to ask him to fulfill his public commitment to respect the precautionary approach in regulatory decisions, environmental decision-making based on science and establishing new relationships with Inuit on an Inuit-to-Crown basis – respecting rights and



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Lake Melville is an ecologically significant estuary located partially in the Labrador Inuit Settlement and used by Nunatsiavut Inuit for hundreds of years. During the environmental assessment and approvals process, little was known about the downstream impacts of the project on this delicate ecosystem.

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*Next Post*

C. Charlotte Wolfrey,  
Rigolet.

Charlotte,

I was reading, "Clearcutting isn't enough, say Rigolet residents," and which says, "A group in Rigolet is looking to shut down the Muskrat Falls project and they don't know what to do next," and I am sending you a copy of a letter to the editor I wrote a few years ago concerning the Labrador political situation.

The present colonial rule of Labrador from the Island of Newfoundland within the democratic country of Canada is illegal in my opinion, as the letter explains, but the only way to get a territory of Labrador would be through a Supreme Court of Canada ruling I guess, because the colonial provincial government in St. John's certainly wouldn't agree to that on its own, nor the Federal Government, they would have to be forced to do it, or anything else.

A Supreme court case like that would cost money too, and that's where the Nunatsiavut Government could come in.

We have been getting a lot of lies from Nalcor concerning Muskrat Falls. Thank you.

Arthur A (Gus) Riche

# Labrador should be a territory

Dear Editor,

I expect to see a territory of Labrador in the near future. The people of Labrador didn't ever join the Island or province of Newfoundland — Great Britain supposedly gave Labrador to the Island of Newfoundland to rule by colonial rule in 1927, when the Island of Newfoundland was a colony of and under colonial rule itself from Great Britain. But Labrador and the Island of Newfoundland are now both part of the democratic country of Canada, and are subject to democracy and the Charter of Rights and Canadian Law and Human Rights, but which is being denied for the people of Labrador.

Democracy means politi-

cal fairness, and the Charter of Rights and Freedoms guarantees all Canadians equality, but Labrador is still under colonial rule from the Island of Newfoundland within the Democratic Country of Canada, and doesn't have any say in it's own affairs. At the same time, the other 13 parts of Canada all have their own provincial or territorial government, and that certainly isn't democracy and political fairness and equality for the people of Labrador. It's also gross discrimination against the people of Labrador.

The name of the Province of Newfoundland was recently changed to the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, but again the people of Labrador didn't have any say

about it — the decision was made in St. John's, Newfoundland and passed along to Ottawa to change.

The reason it was changed, no doubt, is so the Island of Newfoundland can continue to rape Labrador's natural resources without the people of Labrador being able to do anything about it.

Labrador has the democratic right within the democratic country to become a territory and have it's own government and rule itself the same as all other parts of Canada do, and the Parliament of Canada has the authority to undo any situation it creates.

Arthur A. Riche  
Happy Valley-Goose Bay

What do I think of Muskrat falls? I'm sure everyone knows this answer, right? Personally I think it's pure disgusting. To those how may read this and don't agree with me, I am sorry. I want what's best for our future, I don't want to live a life where we can't go off hunting with our relatives. Why can't we? Because Nalcor wants to put Methylmercury in our water, for what? Money. Inuit and Innu lives will be effected in many ways; our ancestors wouldn't be so proud of the people they have become in their lives. For hundreds of years, us, Inuit & Innu have lived without worrying about poisoning in our aboriginal foods, they were able hunt off of our respected grounds. How could they do this to us? What did we do so bad to them that they want to dig up land and put poisoning in our water? All these questions hey? And they don't have an answer for us. They don't know how much they're affecting us, don't know how heartbroken and hurt we are, because they can't see or feel our pain because they're doing it for paper, money.

Remember when you killed your first seal? Porpoise, goose, duck? My younger family members will NOT experience that in their life. My baby brother won't be able to feel that excitement; he won't be able to feel proud about it. I won't be able to take him out on the land to teach him how to respect the land, why? Cause Nalcor will have that destroyed by the time he gets older. Think about the people who hunt and bring back the food to our community. My great grandmother and grandfather won't be getting anymore wild food, they still talk fluent Inuktitut, and still eat what they hunted and lived off of when they were growing up.

Rigolet is one big family, we are one whole family. We will stand together, fight together and just be there for each other. Now, my family is out in Happy Valley Goose-Bay, they're getting arrested to fight for OUR lives. My cousin Emily Wolfrey got thrown down by the police, she claimed that she has got bruises from them also. A couple of my classmates are out in this weather protesting, I am thankful for that. I would love to be out there also, but school is bringing me down.

Billy Gauthier has gone on a hunger strike; he has not eaten for a good 6 days now. Personally I've thought about doing the same with Gauthier, but I don't think it will solve anything, Nalcor don't care what we're doing to stop this crazy project.

This is my thoughts; I don't know about yours. I pray that this bad nightmare will soon be over and that my future will be total happiness going off the land what I love doing best, doing what my ancestors done... hunting.

#MakeMuskratRight

#InuitLivesMatter

#LabradorToTheCore

Sincerely, Kierden Wolfrey

**Public Notice**

**Make Muskrat Right gatherings planned for Thursday**

The Nunatsiavut Government is encouraging all supporters of the Make Muskrat Right campaign to gather on Thursday, August 18 to show solidarity in the fight to have changes made to the Muskrat Falls project to ensure the protection of human health, indigenous rights and culture.

Gatherings will take place at the following locations:

12:00 noon  
Office of Environment and Conservation  
Minister Perry Trimper  
21 Broomfield Street, Happy Valley-Goose Bay

5:00-7:00 p.m.  
Veterans Memorial Bridge  
Route 510, Trans Labrador Highway

"The time has come to stand together, shoulder to shoulder, and to say that we will not stand by and allow our way of life, our culture, and our future to be taken away from us."

- Nunatsiavut President Johannes Lampe

DRAFT Press Release

## **Rigolet calls for the Shut Down of the Muskrat Falls Project**

Newfoundland and Labrador's Liberal Government announced on October 4, 2016 that flooding, without full clearing, will occur for 25% of the Muskrat Falls reservoir. Initially, the Rigolet Inuit Community #MakeMuskratRight campaign supported the full clearing of the reservoir prior to flooding. Failing that commitment from the provincial liberal government, our #MakeMuskratRight Rigolet committee completed a community household survey which revised our position. The town of Rigolet now calls for the shut-down of the Muskrat Falls project.

What is seen as a local issue is now gaining much needed provincial and national attention. The negative impact of natural resource development on Indigenous rights has sparked a national call to action. We represent Rigolet but are a part of a Canada wide issue.

The continuation of the project as is a three-pronged provincial statement:

1. Newfoundland and Labrador Liberal Government threatens food security of the entire community of Rigolet;
2. Newfoundland and Labrador Liberal Government knowingly poisons largest estuary in Labrador;
3. Newfoundland and Labrador Liberal Government sanctions cultural genocide for Labrador Inuit.

The financial implications of continuing the project under the guise of compensation will call for a **MINIMUM of \$80 million for the Inuit community of Rigolet**. To break it down, a four person family who supplements their diet weekly with country food spends approximately \$400 per week on subsistence hunting/gathering.

1. Multiplying \$400 by a 52 week period (1 year), each family would require compensation of \$20,800 annually;
2. \$20,800/annually for approximately 100 households over an estimated 40 year life span of methyl-mercury poisoned waters equates a conservative figure of \$80,000,000.

That number solely reflects compensation for food security, not cultural loss.

In light of this, the Rigolet Inuit Community Government encourages the continued media coverage of this issue and encourages all Nunatsiavut beneficiaries and supporters in the area to attend the Friday, October 7, 2016 (at noon) protest at the Confederation Building in St. John's.



## NEWS RELEASE

October 14, 2016  
For Immediate Release

### President calls on Premier to halt Muskrat Falls project

Nunatsiavut President Johannes Lampe is calling on Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Dwight Ball to immediately halt construction of the Muskrat Falls project until concerns over methylmercury contamination are addressed.

“The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador is about to risk the health of hundreds of Labrador Inuit, erode our culture and threaten our way of life,” says President Lampe. “We once again implore the Premier to not play Russian roulette with the lives of our people, and to direct Nalcor Energy to delay flooding of the Muskrat Falls reservoir until it is fully cleared of all trees, vegetation and topsoil.

“The concerns over methylmercury contamination are real, and to proceed with flooding without fully clearing will clearly violate our human and indigenous rights. This project has to be stopped now before it’s too late.”

The Nunatsiavut Government has explored legal options to try and force the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to direct Nalcor to fully clear the reservoir of trees vegetation and soil, notes President Lampe.

“While we explored all possible avenues we continued to lobby the decision makers to have the reservoir fully cleared,” he says. “We have participated in rallies and protests, voiced our concerns publicly, and met with the Premier and Environment and Climate Change Minister Perry Trimper and Natural Resources Minister Siobhan Coady on a number of occasions over the past couple of months. We have written Prime Minister Trudeau and lobbied Indigenous and Northern Affairs Minister Caroyln Bennett and Labrador MP Yvonne Jones.”

During meetings with the Premier, the Nunatsiavut Government stressed the importance of ensuring a rigorous monitoring program, to be overseen by an independent advisory committee, be in place prior to the initial phase of flooding. To date, that program, or an agreement on how it would be implemented, has not been finalized by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador. As well, the Premier committed to examining the feasibility of fully clearing the reservoir prior to the second phase of flooding, expected in 2019, and to begin discussions on other



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Nunatsiavut Government recommendations as outlined in the Make Muskrat Right campaign, specifically:

- \* an Impact Management Agreement with the Nunatsiavut Government; and
- \* granting Inuit joint decision-making authority over downstream environmental monitoring and management.

“Despite our concerns, those who have the authority to make changes, including the Prime Minister and the Government of Canada, to the scope of the project are not willing to do so, and would rather stand by and allow our people to be poisoned and destroy a way of life,” says President Lampe. “If this project proceeds without changes, there will never be true reconciliation in this country.”

The Nunatsiavut Government is thankful of the tremendous support it has received for its Make Muskrat Falls campaign.

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June? → Before Rally  
Sections: 5:2:12  
5:4:3  
5:4:4



5:4:14

5:5:1

~~Wednesday~~ Tuesday  
@ 4:30 - Net/loft.

PSA's - Advertising  
Schedule of events.

Respectful + Uuau  
protest. Lorraine x  
Melva

Panel Invite: Melva  
Moderator: ~~Robert Jacques~~ / NG2  
Panelists: ~~Pauline~~

Microphone: ~~David~~ PM.  
David / David  
PM.

Question developed ??  
for panel Kirsty  
for posters

Letters: Kristy  
Invite to Dignitaries / OK / CBX  
Letter writing Campaigns  
Social media - Kristy  
Available @ NAD

Poster making Campaign:  
- Lorraine - Supplies  
- Carlene - Supplies Lorraine  
- Danyel. ↓ from  
Gr 7-12 2-4 pm

Community wide  
3 pm. NG - 9-11 am  
Tuesday.

Carlene:  
Clean up net/loft  
boards

Schedule

4:30 Speeches - Dangle.

Panel discussion

~~Open~~ ~~with~~ w/ Faes, Target Archive.

Raely.

Faes - 4 people.

June 22/16

Concerned Citizens organizing meeting:

Presio: KLS, EWA, DW, HS, JS, LA, MW, DS.

- Letter Campaigns - Fax + mail out.

Ideas: Delegation travel to Goose Bay via Northern Range to protest during Dwight Ball's attendance @ Expo

: Salmon Protot.

- No tagging - /NO licenses

- encourage residents to Jack will speak w/ Council

Remove. Jack will follow up w/ACG

Committee members:

Danny Micheli

- David

Charlotte Wolan

- David

Charlie Flowers

Kay Bennett

Elsie Wolan

Melva

Kristy: confirm w/ Butw re support level for Delegation

Kristy: will confirm participants level for NG staff

3pm of staff submitted

June 22/16

Meeting # 2 3:00 pm.

Attendees: LA, DM, MW, JS, DW, DS

Update to new members of plan for Rally at GB.

Amnesty International - has indicated that they have an interest in coming in to work with us to assist with our efforts. They will raise the media image of our event.  
Preferable to visit while activity is ongoing.

Idea: Anne Burgess - approach her to request her expertise in media.

Application submitted to Qimiktok.

Recommend Charlotte be the spokesperson for the event.



July 5, 16

MMR - Right Style

P. Ch. W. R. B. M. W. D. S. H. S. J. S. E. A. D. M. D. W. K. S.

Premier Ball calling all groups to come together.

NG - Internal group to look at Innu accounts.

Discussion on possible next steps.

- Social Media Campaign

- Uda release

- Blockade for ships.

- Federal depts to lobby -

- Amnesty / et al Daniel Sugulier Foundation 7

- Financial Implications of Project  
i.e. medicinal

Darryl has contact

- NW - Angle.

- Video - Innu to complete ASAP.

- Amnesty &amp; Daniel Sugulier - Darryl will make contact.

- Letter Writing Campaigns -

- Quirks &amp; Quarks - Bob McDonald - Ray - on holiday

July 15/18

MMR - Right Style.

Committee Meeting

P: MW, EW, DM, SS, HS, CW, LA, DS, KLS, DW, PMS

email - Annun4 - No Response.

No meeting w/ aboriginal groups w/ NL. Early August.

upcoming work re: Spilling so focus is  
of be of more or assume.

Dr Elain Sundeland w/ Town Bell Man  
to confirm this <sup>statement.</sup> accountability.

get Alvin Simmonds to the table.

Monday - Ship for MF coming through  
division of blockade.

- Need to confirm ships timeline
- PR - Volunteers NO gas provided.
- OK, APTN, CBC, NTV, & Right Bullid's Board.
- MHA, Randy Edmunds  
MP, yume Jones \*

1st week August - China

July 23rd. Saturday  
Pas. Narnisator, Annun4

a Meeting for Volunteers who want to join  
Peaceful protest on July 23<sup>rd</sup> - slip for MF.

Dan - checking w/ Legat re: federal charges?

Dan - RCMP.

Daryl - concern - NG employees -

Meeting # July 21 w/ Community Members.

@ 6 PM, @ YC.

Sign up form. - Dan Michalski

Notice - NG printer.

DHSO - Laminated Posters.

Inv. - Johannes, Todd, Anastasia.

Day 20/16

MMR - RICG.

P: KIS, CW, SS, DW, HS, RS, RA, EP, MW, MP, CP, DS.

Observer: LA.

Update RICG in regards to activities of  
the MMR group.

planned activities: boat from MMR.

May 17 Premier Ball - requested 4<sup>th</sup> Aug.

Blocker Ship is federal offence.

Voluntary basis.

This fall - hunting river  
flooded by 7m this fall.

Muskrat can operate 3 days before they have to  
shut down if there is a protest.

David Suzuki - Some advice. NO commitment to  
comm E.

Amnesty Intl Canada - NO response.

Deming will try + reach them again.

Atlantic Salmon Federation.  
May have some concern.

Consider Court Action.

Meeting w/ protestors - Chal. He will update.

6 PM - YL.

Jack will ensure bldg is available.

Aug 16/16

MMR - Meeting

P: KLS, EN, MW, HS, EA, DS,

Danyel updated on meeting Aug 4/16.

Rally update.

Elsie will contact Philip Egan re: involving  
for ppl to travel to GB to participate.Danyel will check w Brent re: funds for  
Support?

- Staff travel covered?



Aug 17/16

MMR meeting

P: HS, EW, MW, EA, KLS, PMS, PM, JS, DW

Regards: CW, CF, DS

A: LA, RB

EW - flights.

Charter - 18 ppl - 290.11 Return.

5-PM + 6PM.

Early 11AM Return.

3 Seats on skid today.

Y

Elsie + 17 ppl.

Daryl Kinsky } WORK

N

Dan

Jack

Eldred

Henry

Panda

David

Aug 22/16

Mux meeting

P8 KS, CF, LA, EW, DM, EA, MW, PS.

- KS - How was last week's Reelis in GB.
- Letter to NG from COW Committee.
  - Source of funds. NG staff time in committee.

Consequences of stopping the project.

NG employment concerns re: arrested and future employment.

Formal RIGG positions on issue.

- Bulletin - appealing to demonstrators/protest for flood date.

Summary - Elsie, Lorraine &amp; Melva

9:00 AM. Melva's office

- Letters
- NG
  - RIGG.
  - PM - Elsie starting.

# SUPPORT. Lts.

Reserve letter  
devote.

acknowledge next:

the 800 efforts →

" As quote to Ben, Type  
At present ...

→ [judsu.org.ca](http://judsu.org.ca)  
free 800 song making

" **SDK**

support! <sup>efforts</sup> awareness of issue  
Review decern.

Graph Analysis

hypothesis:  
work hrs. most without  
delay.

Clayton → judge RIGIL

Staff attendance noty or ent attendance

(then heard of  
200m)

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Andy?

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fundraising support of model

(drawn of go  
cash - stone, etc  
credit items)

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inform but list impacts

Intro

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Impacts on ppl/wildlife/as results  
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actual/scapn  
project  
see →

Attach of AS docs.

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Todd

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Jack

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Randy

Yvonne.

file project documents  
to oppony to  
document

Charlott sym

Methyl mercury issue  
initiat.

Aug 24/16

MMK Committee mtg.

P: PS, KS, EA, CP, CW, MW, DJ, BM

KS - updated group.

Letter writing Campaign.

CM.

NG

RICG

RICG for ArgyakKala.

Discussion on letter + approval to send.

Summary - edit to introduce + modify Q3.

Load of Crushed Stone CIMFP Exhibit P-02064

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MMR Meeting:

Sept 13/16

P: LA, DM, HS, MW, DW, KLS, PM, EA, EW, DS

NP: CW, CF, RB, CT, IS, SS.

DS - update: draft Report - deadline Friday Sept 16/16.

NG Appeal - denied

Oct 1 - Authorization to Flood.

Briefing not to NEC for Sept 19/16.

NG will include MMR + Request.

Darryl } 2 on file  
Greg }  
Johannes -

MMR - letter to NEC

re insert question for Community Survey  
part of for Darryl Mubeli.

DM: Monitoring, currently?  
what monitoring for baseline by upper  
Chukhill

DS: what chat w Rodd Larin re. effects  
& monitoring.



T Application: Protests - entire Region  
Marketing Comparisons  
Hydro Markets -

MMR.

Sept 22/16.

P: HS, LA, CF, MN, CW; KLS, EA, DW, PM, DS, JS.

Darryl updated group: letter reviewed.

NEE - 4 recommendations

filed down

mym + agree

advisory panel

joint decision making authority

meeting w/ Premia on Sept 26/16.

Send Proposal for T trust application  
RS is,

Facebook notification - proposal applicant

Kristy will <sup>approve</sup> update the page.  
+ Send to Charlie.

OCT 5/16  
3pm

Charles	Eldred	Charlotte	Dave	Paula	3:10pm
Lorraine	Henny	Ray	Kristy	Jack	3:20pm
				Dorothy	3:40

	OCT 3	Cross Bay	Bar Jack	
St Johns	OCT 7	St. Johns	MUN.	noon?
	OCT 7	Cross Bay		

National 10 Oct. invite - send Charlotte

Sept 30 Rally Janet Cooper.

Indepdnt  
Vice

= Drew Brown. - Podcast

Tanya Tapaq

OCT 12 Corner Brook

1 TIC - Press Release.

MUN - Campaign Pastor

Philp. discount? \$200

Focus of group

org -> mml: committee

Attend OCT 7/16 - promote social media @ St. Johns.

NO formal response to hrs.

travel in Rangor?

Saturday + Contingent?

=> Boats

Resignations?

diff - Mr. SPP

email - party request NH

facebook notice

Releases ->

Aviniktok to

Contact vicini - the rally event.  
current p atupats.

New msging - county.

RICG → Preleane - from Oct 6/16  
press coverage - Charlotte

Promote Monday @ own cost

Apply Anviktole

Charlotte - ISC  
~~Kit~~ - mmr.

Anviktole <sup>Hy Anviktole</sup> press release - <sup>prop</sup> proposal  
Press Release - <sup>val/lety</sup> val/lety

Notify ppl - loose  
By mary Kelly.  
Mary. ↳ arrested.  
Charlie.

Monday chang time = Monday boot.

4:10 pm end.

Oct 13/16

MMR - Budget Style Committee Meeting

P: HS, DW, KLS, ~~CF~~, DM, MW, PS

Repts: CW, LA, DS, EA

Next Steps:

\$1  
31,000 received from Qimittok

Info from HR is available

Jack - News Release: CIMFP Exhibit P-02064-280 km

MMK - Community Meeting Oct 13/16

Pi David Wolfy, Mike Tople, Michael Pallas, Ivy Campbell  
 Rosal Pallas, Luisa Pallas, Shelly Wolfy, Sherri W +  
 Traysen, Shelly Wolfy, Chantel, Tom, Sandra Flower,  
 Denise W. Charlotte W, KAS, Rhoda Pallas, Jack Shiwak  
 Lorraine Allen, Rogan Shirk, Charles Williams, Peter Potte  
 Peyton Pallas, Carole Pallas, Naomi Williams, Brian Wolfy  
 Barry Sheppard, Dana Shiwak, Natalie Anderson, Henry Shirk  
 Sierra Wolfy, Brittany + Jennifer + Hany, Sally, Christa +  
 Michelle, Elsie + Janita, Ron Potte jr, Dan Mike,  
 Helen Michlen, Nica Webb, Blane + Emily Wolfy,  
 Chesley + Kerri, Paula Sheppard, Sam Pallas, David Pallas  
 Janet Pallas + Paige + Travis jr. Ocean, Mackenzie + Shanice  
 Darryl Shiwak.

Charlotte informed pt on the upcoming rally.

Darryl - updated community on the work.

Attendy:

Tony W + Rodney Wolfy  
 Charlotte, David + Nikita Wolfy  
 Dillon, Shanice

Oct 17 / 16.

MMK meeting.

P: HS, PS, KS, SS, LA, MW.

Registro: CF.

GB: DW, CW, DM, DS

Discussion on legal arrests - etc.

On phone: DW, DM

returning on boat  
On: Paul Johnson, Haley + Ocean returning on boat.

Boat coming through right next week of  
current for MF.

Needs someone w/ Drivers license.

David will get van.

more people are needed.





Oct 18/16

MMR: CF, CL, LA, MW, HS, PS, EA, JS.

In GB: Protest site: KS, PW, LW, OS, DM

on phone: KLS.

Peaceful @ Mangate

NG news - Nothing official.

emails from Rexane / Dorel.  
- Staff members.

Rein - Richard Parnak - others as well.

School Visit - Jack Shiwak  
Henry Shiwak

Opw Miles.  
Rally -

3pm  
begin @ NLA.

Friday: Jack, Ryan, Rube  
MAX possible.

Wednesday Oct 18/16.

March to Netleft  
Speakers: Jace.  
Dorel Emcee.

Content: megaphone or  
Speaker + mics.

Flip the flag. 1st thing.

Friday to Monday boat for swatter out of protests

Inu to photograph / videograph event.  
2:00pm - meet @ NLA.

Oct 26/16

MMR - meeting + Juleen

P. EA, SS, DW, MW, PS

Phone: CF, CW,

Reports: DM, LA, LP.

lot of support in St. Johns.

Discussion on where to go from here.

Lorraine + Carole joined @ 12:55

Need to confirm NG stand?

Need to confirm van use?

Yes

NO

Oct 24/16

Mark - Teleconf

P: P, K, EA, DW, MW.

Phone: CW, SS

Unanimous for 11 people to go on boat.

Rooms	<u>Yes</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>Maybe</u>
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OPW

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Capitol @ 15

Terry Shiwah - ticket to come on boat.

Yes	<u>NO</u>
<del>TH</del>	11

Delegation to St. Johns

Yes

NO

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11

How many people.

Charlotte

Michaela

Tony / Danny

Yes:

yes:

Tony:

Danny

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Charlotte will check w/ Michelle Kinning re: flight to St. Johns re paying flight for our 3 staff.

Mark meeting

Oct 23/16

P: Ps, EA, MW, KS, CW, DW

Decision on Francis.

Breakdown of expenses total

\$ 185.00 - Cash

Given to Charlotte

Decision to send additional  
10 ppl on boat.

Contact AUKTOR to request  
permission to maneuver funds  
to reflect ongoing activities

2	722.90	
2	1738.80	
	3529.00	
	2500.00	
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	332.00	Boats.
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