



Government of Newfoundland and Labrador
Department of Environment and Conservation
Office of the Minister

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Mr. Peter Madden
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Dear Mr. Madden:

**Re: Human Health Risk Assessment Plan (HHRAP)
Lower Churchill Hydroelectric Generation Project**

Your proposal has been reviewed and an opportunity to comment has been provided to various federal and provincial government agencies and Aboriginal groups.

Upon consideration of the comments received, please be advised that the HHRAP, dated April 12, 2016, is approved as per the *Lower Churchill Hydroelectric Generation Project Undertaking Order* and completes your obligations of having an approved plan under *Section 4.(e)(xiv)methylmercury, (xii) contaminant levels in country foods, and (xxii) human health.*

The acceptance of the HHRAP is subject to the following condition:

Should downstream methylmercury monitoring identify the need for consumption advisories as a result of the project, Nalcor shall consult with relevant parties representing Lake Melville resource users. Based on the location of the consumption advisories these users could include Aboriginal Governments and organizations as well as other stakeholder groups. Following consultation, Nalcor shall provide reasonable and appropriate compensation measures to address the impact of the consumption advisory.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Bas Cleary, Director, Environmental Assessment Division at (709)729-0673.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Perry Trimper".

PERRY TRIMPER, MHA
District of Lake Melville
Minister

cc: Assessment Committee Members