

Newfoundland and Labrador Refinery Project



The following is an update on our progress with the Environmental Assessment this Fall

Good news! We are pleased the provincial minister Environment and Conservation issued a **positive decision** regarding our Environmental Impact Statement on October 5th. This is an important milestone for the project. The decision is subject to conditions and an amendment from us to the Environmental Impact Statement is now posted on the provincial website (www.env.gov.nl.ca). The final step is approval by the provincial cabinet.

On the federal side, a Comprehensive Study Report on the environmental aspects of the marine terminal is expected to be issued to the public shortly by the federal departments of Transport and Fisheries and Oceans. The public will then have 30 days to review the report and provide comments. The Minister of Environment Canada will consider this public input when making a decision regarding the marine terminal.

More Consultations are expected during this 30 day review period for the Comprehensive Study Report. It will again be important for members of the public, organizations and businesses to express their opinions on the proposed project to the federal Minister.

In the Meantime, there are still a number of activities taking place. For example, various surveys are being conducted on site – for sensitive plants and lichen, stream flows, geotechnical information and detailed information on the seafloor and water depths near the proposed wharf and jetty. Preparations are also taking place that will enable NLRC to be ready to apply for permits required for the onset of construction, such as beginning the access road and site clearing.

While we await the release of the Comprehensive Study Report, we are still meeting with Schools, Colleges, Chambers of Commerce, Councils and other community organizations. If you would like to meet with us, please contact Susan Hollett at 466-1373.

Our Public Information Centre is open at the Bull Arm Visitor Centre on the TCH. We are there to answer your questions, provide information and gather resumes, information on rental properties, etc. **Please drop by for a visit!** Or contact Muriel at 463-3333 or publicinfo@nlrefining.com. All of the Project information is on www.nlrefining.com.

And finally, from all of us with Newfoundland &
Labrador Refining,
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

