



Shell Jackpine Mine Expansion Project

Health Canada's Response to Undertaking from *Shell Jackpine Mine Expansion Project* *Joint Review Panel Public Hearing Undertaking*

Question:

Would it be possible by way of an undertaking to find out if Health Canada was satisfied with the information provided? It seems to be loose end. Health Canada requested the information, they are not here, and we haven't heard anything further.

Health Canada's Response to Undertaking

Health Canada's letter of August 1, 2012 (CEAR doc # 292) to the Joint Review Panel Secretariat provides technical comments on the additional information for the proposed Jackpine Mine Expansion Project. The letter does not explicitly indicate that Health Canada is of the view that the information provided is sufficient to proceed to Panel Hearings.

In an email of August 20th (CEAR doc #275) between Kirk Lambrecht, Justice Canada and Gary Perkins, Panel Counsel, Energy Resources Conservation Board, Mr. Perkins requests confirmation if Health Canada was of the view that the information provided to the Joint Review Panel considering Shell Canada Energy's Jackpine Mine Expansion Project was sufficient to proceed to the hearing phase. In this email, Mr. Lambrecht confirmed that Health Canada's view, as presented in the letter to Panel of November 17, 2011 (CEAR doc #144), is that there is sufficient information in these areas of human health to proceed to a public hearing.

On August 17th, the joint Review Panel concluded there was sufficient information to proceed to panel.

Since the Health Canada submission of August 1, 2012, Health Canada has not received any further information to review.

In summary, Health Canada concluded there was sufficient information to proceed to panel hearings and has not been provided any further information regarding the comments provided on August 1, 2012.

Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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