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## Greg Janes:

On June 28, 2022, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) received your request for an extension to the three-year legislated time limit to provide the required information or studies for the environmental assessment under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012 (CEAA 2012) of the Tilt Cove Exploration Drilling Project (the Project).

As per subsection 181(2.1) of the *Impact Assessment Act* (the IAA), at the proponent's request, the Agency may extend the time limit by any period that is necessary for the proponent to provide the Agency with the required information or studies.

Following a review of available information, including the information submitted in your request, the Agency has determined that it will extend the time limit. The Agency is of the view that:

- demonstrable progress has been made on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Project, and you plan to submit a final draft EIS for review at the end of August 2022; and
- a detailed, realistic, and achievable work plan has been submitted.

The deadline to submit the required information or studies described in the Final Environmental Impact Statement Guidelines is now August 31, 2024. Note that no further extension may be granted by the Agency.

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The required information and studies to be provided include the EIS and any additional required information or studies that may be identified as a result of:

- the Agency's conformity review of the EIS;
- the public comment period on the EIS Summary;
- the technical review of the EIS by the Agency and federal authorities;
  and
- associated consultation and engagement by the Agency with Indigenous communities.

If the information or studies are not provided within the extension of the time limit that has been granted, the environmental assessment for the Project under CEAA 2012 will be terminated in accordance with subsection 181(3) of the IAA. If the environmental assessment is terminated, note that, in accordance with subsection 7(1) of the IAA, proponents of a designated project are prohibited from carrying out any act related to the project that may cause one of the effects listed therein. If the proponent wishes to continue with the Project after the termination of the assessment, it must follow the applicable provisions of the IAA.

Please note, your request, this determination, and a notice informing the public of the new time limit will be posted to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Mike Atkinson, Regional Director of the Atlantic Regional Office, by telephone at Personal information removeds or by email at Mike. Atkinson@iaac-aeic.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

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