



May 16, 2023

Mr. Richard Murray
Regulatory Affairs Specialist
Suncor Energy Inc.

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SUBJECT: Three-year time limit to submit required information and studies under the IAA

Dear Richard Murray:

The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) is writing to remind you of the three-year legislated time limit for you to provide the required information or studies for the impact assessment for the Suncor Base Mine Extension Project (the Project).

Under subsection 19(1) of the *Impact Assessment Act* (IAA), the proponent of a designated project must provide the Agency with any information or studies required by the Agency within three years after the day on which a copy of the notice of the commencement is posted on the Agency's website.

On May 31, 2021, the Agency posted a notice of commencement for the impact assessment of the Project. That same day, the Agency issued the Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines for the Project, describing the information or studies required. On April 5, 2022, Suncor requested a nine month extension to the three-year time limit. On April 6, 2022, the Agency granted an extension to Suncor in accordance with subsection 19(2) of the IAA, which allows the Agency to, at the proponent's request, grant an extension to the three-year legislated time limit by any period necessary for the proponent to provide the required information or studies.

With the extension granted, Suncor Energy Inc. (Suncor) must provide the Agency with the required information or studies, described in the Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines, by **February 25, 2025**.



The required information and studies to be provided include the Impact Statement (IS) and any additional required information or studies that may be identified as a result of:

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

Should Suncor request an additional extension to the time limit to be considered and granted, Suncor would need to demonstrate that it has made progress on the development of the IS and that they have a work plan to complete it. Suncor is encouraged to reach out to the Agency should it be considering a request for an additional extension.

The Agency will post all extension request documents submitted and the Agency's response on the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry.

If Suncor fails to provide the information or studies within the three-year time limit, or within any extension of that time limit, the impact assessment will be terminated in accordance with subsection 20(1) of the IAA.

The Agency would like to thank Suncor for its continued engagement and collaboration in furthering the purposes and aims of the impact assessment process for the Project.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Robyn-Lynne Virtue, Agency Review Manager, by phone (613-894-4123) or email (robyn-lynn.virtue@iaac-aeic.gc.ca).

Sincerely,

<Original Signed By>

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