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Sandra Webster:

**Subject: Notification that an Impact Assessment is required for the Ksi Lisims LNG - Natural Gas Liquefaction and Marine Terminal Project**

The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) received the Detailed Project Description and Response to the Joint Summary of Issues and Engagement for the Ksi Lisims LNG - Natural Gas Liquefaction and Marine Terminal Project (the Project) located at Wil Milit on Pearse Island, in British Columbia (B.C.) on March 17, 2023.

The Agency has reviewed the Detailed Project Description and has determined that it conforms with the requirements of the *Information and Management of Time Limits Regulations*. On October 25, 2021, the Agency suspended the time limit for the Planning Phase at the request of the Nisga'a Nation, Rockies LNG LP, and Western LNG LLC to complete this activity. As the activity has been completed, the Agency will now resume the time limit.

Taking into account the description of the Project and your response to the Joint Summary of Issues and Engagement, as well as comments received from the public, Indigenous groups, federal authorities and other jurisdictions, the Agency has determined that a federal impact assessment of the Project under the *Impact Assessment Act* (the IAA) is required. A notice of the Agency's decision, with reasons, has been posted to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry at: <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/proj/82797>.

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**Next Steps**

The Minister of Environment and Climate Change (the Minister) will now consider the request from B.C. to substitute the federal impact assessment for the Project to the provincial process.

The Agency will notify you once the Minister's decision is made and will inform you of next steps. In the meantime, the Agency is working closely with B.C.'s Environmental Assessment Office in accordance with the *Impact Assessment Cooperation Agreement Between Canada and British Columbia* to ensure a coordinated and efficient process.

I would also encourage you to examine the provisions of section 7 of the IAA, which details prohibitions related to the undertaking of the Project.

Should you have any questions, please contact Quincy Leung at [Quincy.Leung@iaac-aeic.gc.ca](mailto:Quincy.Leung@iaac-aeic.gc.ca) or 604-360-5360.

Sincerely,

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