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Subject: FW: Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency

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August 27th. 15:15.
Called Caroline Chartier. Left voice mail



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Quebec, September 11th, 2018

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SUBJECT: Project Notice and Information concerning Eastern Arctic
Undersea Fiber Optic Network Project

Dear Sir Pellerin:

On August 2nd, 2018, we received the notice of the above-mentioned project that you sent us.

According to the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012* (CEAA 2012), an environmental assessment may be required for projects that include one or more designated activities listed in the *Regulations Designating Physical Activities*. Taking into account the information contained in the project notice we received, we understand that your project does not correspond to a designated activity. However, please note that pursuant to paragraph 14(2) of CEAA 2012, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change has the power to designate a project not listed in the *Regulations Designating Physical Activities* if he or she is of the opinion that this project may have adverse effects or that public concerns about these effects warrant it.

In the event that changes are made to your project, it is your responsibility to verify that it corresponds to a designated activity listed in the regulation and to file a project description with the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, where applicable. You can access the regulation at the following address: <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2012-147/page-3.html>

If you wish to discuss the conditions for the administration of CEAA 2012, you can contact us at 418-649-6444 or by email at: info@ceaa-acee.gc.ca. Further information can be found on the Agency's website at the following address: <https://www.canada.ca/en/environmental-assessment-agency.html>

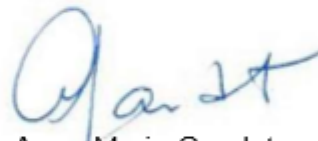
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However, it is your responsibility to ensure that the project complies with other federal laws and regulations and, therefore, to contact the relevant federal authorities to determine their requirements, if applicable.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. Gaudet', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Anne-Marie Gaudet
Regional Director – Quebec Region

Subject	Eastern Arctic Undersea Fiber Optic Network project
From	Chartier, Caroline (CEAA/ACEE)
To	danpellerin@ictechnologies.ca
Cc	Boule, Michel (CEAA/ACEE)
Sent	Friday, September 07, 2018 3:53 PM

Hi Mr. Pellerin,

This is a response to your e-mail of August 2nd on the involvement of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency regarding your Eastern Arctic Undersea Fiber Optic Network project.

According to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act 2012 (CEAA 2012), an environmental assessment may be required for projects that include one or more designated activities listed in the *Regulations Designating Physical Activities*. Taking into account the information contained in the project description that you have sent to us on August 2nd, your project does not correspond to a designated activity.

However, but not limited to this, a review on the application of the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement (JBNQA) and the Nunavik Inuit Land Claims Agreement (NILCA) should be conducted.

The Agency will send you an official letter next week.

Greetings,

Caroline Chartier

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Subject	RE: Eastern Arctic Undersea Fiber Optic Network overview
From	Boule, Michel (CEAA/ACEE)
To	Dan Pellerin
Sent	Tuesday, August 07, 2018 1:41 PM

Bonjour M Pellerin,

I confirm you that a project analyst of our team will contact you in the next days.
 Sorry for the delay, we are in the vacation period, but we will respond as quickly as possible.

Thank you

Michel Boulé

De : Dan Pellerin <danpellerin@ictechnologies.ca>

Envoyé : 2 août 2018 09:38

À : Boule, Michel (CEAA/ACEE) <michel.boule@canada.ca>

Objet : Eastern Arctic Undersea Fiber Optic Network overview

Bonjour Michel.

Merci d'avoir pris le temps de me parler ce matin. Bien apprécié.

As discussed, here is a quick overview of the project.

In 2015 a prefeasibility study was done to look at fiber in the Nunavik region, in parts of Nunuvut and the northern Labrador coast.

Financial considerations have limited the scope of the project to an application being made under the Connect to Innovate fund.

This year we are undertaking a marine (bathymetric) survey of the bay. Map attached.

The results of the survey are to allow us to craft an RFP for a build next year.

A couple of questions.

1. For the marine survey, was a CEAA permit required? We understood it was not since it is a passive activity overall.
2. For the build next year, I believe CEAA would need to be involved.

I look forward to following up with you on this .

Thank you for your time to this important project for the people of James Bay and Hudson Bay.

Dan Pellerin

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