

EXHIBIT NL-1



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Claude St. Laurent
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Dear Mr. St. Laurent:

RE: Former Abitibi Operations in Newfoundland and Labrador

The Department of Environment and Conservation of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has requested the provision of certain reports known to be in your company's possession. To date, we have had no reply to these requests nor any indication of your company's intentions in this regard.

The Province requires this information in order to assess as accurately as possible the environmental state of these sites.

We therefore require you to provide the following information on or before June 19, 2009.

1. Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) Report for Stephenville;
2. All Environmental Site Assessment Reports for Grand Falls;
3. All Environmental Site Assessment Reports for the Botwood shipping facilities and associated properties; and
4. A copy of all Environmental Site Assessment Reports for logging camps and woodlands operations.

We are also looking forward to receipt of the design for the Tailings Spill Cap for Buchans as ordered in the s. 99 *Environmental Protection Act* Order issued to your company on May 29th, 2009.

We also require an update on the following:

1. Registering the Decommissioning/Rehabilitation Plan for the Grand Falls Mill and associated properties;
2. Completing the remediation work in Stephenville;

3. Completing the Phased ESA work in Buchans;
4. Completing the Tailings Spill Remediation project in Buchans.

While we fully expect your cooperation in this matter, please be advised that we will pursue all options in order to access this information expeditiously. If you would like to discuss these requests, please contact me directly.

Yours truly,



Herbert F. Edwards
Solicitor

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