



Department of the Environment

Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to section 127 of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*, Disposal at Sea Permit No. 4543-2-06738 authorizing the loading for disposal and the disposal of waste or other matter at sea is approved.

1. *Permittee*: Breakwater Fisheries Limited, Cottlesville, Newfoundland and Labrador.

2. *Waste or other matter to be disposed of*: Fish waste and other organic matter resulting from industrial fish processing operations.

2.1. *Nature of waste or other matter*: Fish waste or material resulting from industrial operations processing wild fisheries stocks and consisting of flesh, skin, bones, entrails, shells and associated organic wastes.

3. *Duration of permit*: Permit is valid from August 31, 2012, to August 30, 2013.

4. *Loading site(s)*: Cottlesville, Newfoundland and Labrador, at approximately 49°30.40' N, 54°51.80' W (NAD83).

5. *Disposal site(s)*: Cottlesville, within a 250 metre radius of 49°30.40' N, 54°53.70'W (NAD83), at an approximate depth of 142 metres.

6. *Method of loading*:

6.1. The Permittee shall ensure that the material is loaded onto floating equipment complying with all applicable rules regarding safety and navigation and is capable of containing all waste cargo during loading and transit to the approved disposal site.

6.2. The Permittee shall ensure that the waste to be disposed of is covered by netting or other material to prevent access by gulls and other marine birds, except during direct loading or disposal of the waste.

6.3. Material loaded for the purpose of disposal at sea may not be held aboard any ship for more than 96 hours from the commencement of loading without the written consent of an enforcement officer designated pursuant to subsection 217(1) of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*.

6.4. The loading and transit shall be completed in a manner that ensures that no material contaminates the marine environment, notably the harbour and

adjacent beaches. The Permittee shall also ensure that the loading sites are cleaned up and, if necessary, that spilled wastes are recovered.

7. Route to disposal site(s) and method of transport: Most direct navigational route from the loading site(s) to the disposal site(s).

8. Method of disposal:

8.1. The Permittee shall ensure that the waste to be disposed of is discharged from the equipment or ship while steaming within the disposal site boundaries and in a manner that will promote dispersion.

9. Total quantity to be disposed of: Not to exceed 1500 tonnes.

10. Inspection:

10.1. By accepting this permit, the Permittee and its contractors accept that they are subject to inspection pursuant to Part 10 of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*.

11. Contractors:

11.1. The loading or disposal at sea referred to under this permit shall not be carried out by any person without written authorization from the Permittee.

11.2. The Permittee shall ensure that all persons involved in the loading, transport or disposal activities authorized by this permit conduct these activities in accordance with the relevant permit conditions.

12. Reporting and notification:

12.1. The Permittee shall provide the following information at least 48 hours before loading and disposal activities commence: name or number of ship, platform or structure used to carry out the loading and/or disposal, name of the contractor including corporate and on-site contact information, and expected period of loading and disposal activities. The above-noted information shall be submitted to

- (a) Ms. Natasha Boyd, Environmental Protection Operations Directorate, Department of the Environment, 6 Bruce Street, Mount Pearl, NL, A1N 4T3, 709-772-5097 (fax) or natasha.boyd@ec.gc.ca (email); and

(b) Mr. Gary Kennell, Environmental Enforcement Directorate, Department of the Environment, 6 Bruce Street, Mount Pearl, NL, A1N 4T3, 709-772-5097 (fax) or gary.kennell@ec.gc.ca (email).

12.2. The Permittee shall submit a written report to the Minister, as represented by the Regional Director of the Environmental Protection Operations Directorate, Atlantic Region, care of Ms. Natasha Boyd, as identified in paragraph 12.1., within 30 days of the expiry of the permit. This report shall contain the following information: the quantity of matter disposed of at the disposal site(s) and the dates on which disposal activities occurred.

12.3. This permit shall be displayed in an area of the plant accessible to the public.

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On behalf of the Minister of the Environment