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Re: Comments on environmental assessment processes: Draft Terms of Reference for Expert Panel

Sirs/Madames,

I would echo the well referenced and articulate points already submitted by West Coast Environmental Law (<http://wcel.org/sites/default/files/file-downloads/WCELA%20submissions%20Draft%20TOR%20for%20Expert%20Panel%20%2816-07-13%20FINAL%29.pdf>).

In addition I concur with previous submission points:

-The Expert Panel must have a person who is an acknowledged expert in socio-economic assessment of Aboriginal communities. This person will have credentials and a history of experience which supports a claim to expertise in this area. This person will also be respected as an expert by Aboriginal communities.

-Canada has committed to trying to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees above pre-industrial levels. A real environmental assessment would consider all greenhouse gas emissions associated with any proposed project – including the carbon pollution from the eventual combustion of fossil fuel exports. Terms of reference for the panel should include explicit instructions to address carbon emissions, human rights and cumulative impacts of proposed projects. Logging is a striking example of a process which does not trigger a federal review, but where the cumulative environmental impacts are immense.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and I look forward to a synopsis of the comments received and how these comments are reflected in the final Terms of Reference.

Sincerely, John Fyke <contact information removed>