

REVIEW PANEL

ROBERTS BANK TERMINAL 2 PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

WHAT IS THE ROBERTS BANK TERMINAL 2 REVIEW PANEL?

The Review Panel is a group of independent experts appointed by the Minister of Environment and Climate Change to conduct the environmental assessment for the Roberts Bank Terminal 2 Project. The members of the Review Panel were selected on the basis of their knowledge, expertise and experience in relation to the anticipated environmental effects of the project. The Review Panel was appointed on May 31, 2016, and consists of the following members:

- Mme. Jocelyne Beaudet, Panel Chair
- Dr. David Levy, Panel Member
- Dr. Douw Steyn, Panel Member

The Review Panel's role is to review and assess, in an impartial and objective manner, the Project as proposed by the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority. The Terms of Reference put in place by the Minister for the Review Panel were prepared in consideration of public comments, including comments from Indigenous groups, as well as input from federal departments. The Terms of Reference established the mandate and authority of the Review Panel, as well as the scope of the project, the scope of the assessment and requirements of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012*. The document also identifies the review process and time frames for conducting the review.

WHERE IS THE REVIEW PANEL IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS?

The Review Panel is currently undertaking a sufficiency review of the information submitted by the Proponent. The Review Panel continues to assess the environmental impact statement, as well as the marine shipping addendum, to determine if the information provided is sufficient to proceed to a public

hearing. The Review Panel may request additional information from the Proponent if it determines that the information is not sufficient to proceed to a public hearing. The Panel's final task following the public hearing is to write a report with their findings and recommendations.

HOW CAN THE PUBLIC AND INDIGENOUS GROUPS GET INVOLVED?

Public participation plays a crucial role in the panel review process. Members of the public and Indigenous groups will continue to be provided with opportunities to participate in the panel review process, such as providing comments on public documents or submitting written comments to the Review Panel for their consideration. Members of the public and Indigenous groups may also choose to participate in the public hearing that the Review Panel will conduct.

open and convenient public access to all records relating to the review, including submissions, correspondence, hearing transcripts, and other information received by the Review Panel. For more information regarding the review of the proposed project, go to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency website at: canada.ca/ceaa, reference number **80054**. You can also request to be added to the distribution list for the environmental assessment by sending an email to:

During the course of the review, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency maintains a public registry to provide

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WHAT IS A PUBLIC HEARING?

The objective of the public hearing is to ensure that the Review Panel obtains all the necessary information it requires in order to fulfill its mandate. The public hearing provides an opportunity for participants, such as Indigenous groups and members of the public to present information, concerns and recommendations to the Review Panel regarding the potential environmental effects of the Project. The Proponent has the opportunity to present the Project to the public, explain the potential environmental effects and suggested mitigation measures and to

respond to concerns and questions. Government experts may also participate in the hearing and present their views regarding the significance of the environmental effects of the Project and the adequacy of the proposed mitigation measures.

The hearing allows for interested parties, including Indigenous groups, to present information, concerns and comments regarding the potential environmental effects of the Project.

HOW LONG DOES THE REVIEW PANEL HAVE TO CONDUCT ITS REVIEW?

Under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012*, timelines are established for the Review Panel to complete its mandate. Upon referral of the Project to a Review Panel, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change established that the Review Panel must submit its report within 425 days

(14 months) of its appointment. Note that this timeline is paused when the Proponent is collecting information, as requested by the Review Panel, and does not count towards the 425 day time limit.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE REVIEW PANEL ISSUES ITS REPORT?

Once the Review Panel has completed the public hearing and its analysis of the potential environmental effects of the project, it must prepare a report. The report summarizes the Review Panel's rationale, conclusions and recommendations, and includes a summary of the comments received. The Review Panel will submit its report to the federal government, and the report will also be made available to the public.

The Minister of Environment and Climate Change will review the Review Panel's report and must make a decision regarding whether the Project is likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects. If the Minister finds that such effects

are not likely, a decision statement will be issued, including any terms and conditions that must be complied with.

If the Minister determines that the Project is likely to result in significant adverse environmental effects, the Minister must refer the matter to the Governor in Council (Cabinet) to determine whether the significant adverse environmental effects are justified in the circumstances. If the effects are justified, the Minister would issue a decision statement, including terms and conditions. If the effects are not justified, the decision statement would indicate that the project may not proceed.

WHAT ARE THE CURRENT AND NEXT STEPS IN THE REVIEW PROCESS?

NEXT STEPS	TIMELINES
Public comment period on the draft Hearing Procedures and Sufficiency of Information (Packages 1 - 8)	July 6 to October 5, 2018
Information sessions on environmental assessment process	September 2018
Review Panel (RP) requests additional information from Proponent	Ongoing and as required by the RP
Public comment period on remaining information	Minimum of 30 days once announced by RP
Announcement of public hearing	Minimum notice of 60 days once the RP has determined it has sufficient information
Hearing submissions	30 days prior to the start of public hearing
Public Hearing	TBD by Review Panel
Submission of Review Panel Report	Within 14 months of the RP's appointment as required by CEAA 2012

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