



## Hibernia Update

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St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador: Hibernia Management and Development Company Ltd. (HMDC) has been continuing its investigation related to a release on July 17, 2019 and activities are being undertaken today in advance of returning to production.

HMDC has worked in collaboration with regulatory and response agencies, including the Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board (C-NLOPB), independent Certifying Authority (CA) Lloyd's Register, and Eastern Canada Response Corporation (ECRC) to prepare for a return to production. A return to production date will be determined during continued discussions with the C-NLOPB.

HMDC's return to production plan is designed to minimize potential impacts on the environment. As the pipe from which the original discharge occurred may contain a residual oil and water mixture, there is a possibility that the mixture could be released once the valves are opened today. HMDC has taken all possible measures to prevent an additional discharge, with multiple spill response mitigations in place to ensure any residual oil and water mixture lying in the pipe is captured.

HMDC's mitigation measures will include: vessels equipped with spill response equipment and spill detector radar on location; ECRC spill response experts on site to monitor and respond as needed; aerial, satellite, and vessel surveillance; third party wildlife observers; engineering and operations surveillance of the facility; and, a restriction of work with potential environmental impact to daylight hours.

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