

Preliminary Environmental Assessment Checklist

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) must determine whether the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* (CEAA) applies to projects that receive support from Polar Continental Shelf Project. Please answer the following questions to help us determine whether a federal environmental assessment is required. Please note that this list of questions is not comprehensive and there may be other factors which may trigger an EA (environmental assessment). PCSP will work with you in all such cases to ensure proper steps are taken to cover EA requirements where needed.

YES NO

- Is the project a **physical work**? Is it something that is fixed, permanent or immovable?
- Does the project entail the construction, installation, expansion or modification of a **physical work** with a footprint greater than 25 square metres?
- Does the project entail the construction or installation of a **building** with a footprint of more than 100 square metres and a height of more than 5 metres?
- Does project entail the expansion or modification of an **existing building including its fixed structures** that would increase the footprint or height of the building by more than 10 percent?
- Does the project entail the construction, installation, expansion or modification of an **environmental scientific data collection instrument** and its housing and enclosure?
- Is the project carried out in or on or within 30 metres of a **water body**?
- Is the project likely to involve the release of a **polluting substance** into a water body?
- Will a **field camp** be occupied for 200 or more person days?
- Will the project take place in a **Bird Sanctuary** or a **Migratory Bird Sanctuary**?
- Will the project entail the killing, capture or possession of any **migratory bird** or the collection or possession of **carcasses, eggs** or **nests** of any migratory bird?
- Will the project take place within a **national park, a national park reserve, a national historic site, or a historical canal**?
- Will a **temporary road** be constructed?
- Does the project involve **land-based or marine or freshwater seismic surveying**?
- Does the project take place on **First Nations traditional land** or on a **First Nations reserve**?
- Does the project require an authorization under the **Fisheries Act**?
- Are their any known **species at risk** in the project area?