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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. 4543-2-04392 authorizing the loading for disposal and the disposal of waste or other matter at sea is approved.

1. *Permittee*: Poissonnerie Blanc-Sablon Inc., Lourdes-de-Blanc-Sablon, Quebec.

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 and other organic matter consisting of fish and shellfish waste.

3. *Duration of permit*: Permit is valid from September 12, 2012, to September 11, 2013.

4. *Loading site(s)*: Blanc Sablon wharf, Lourdes-de-Blanc-Sablon, Quebec, 51°25. 03' N, 57°09.12' W (NAD83).

5. *Disposal site(s)*: Within a 200-metre radius of 51°24.48' N, 57°08.59' W (NAD83), at an approximate depth of 20 metres.

6. *Method of loading*:

6.1. 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.

6.2. 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 to the disposal site via towed scow.

8. *Method of disposal*: 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 600 tonnes.

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10. *Inspection*: 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*.

10.1. The Permittee shall ensure that records of all loading and disposal activities are kept on site for the duration of the permit and are available for inspection by any enforcement officer or analyst, for two years following the expiry of the permit.

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 the Regional Director, Environmental Protection Operations Directorate, Department of the Environment, Quebec Region, 105 McGill Street, 4th floor, Montreal, QC, H2Y 2E7, 514-496-6982 (fax) or immersion.dpe@ec.gc.ca (email).

12.2. The Permittee must complete the *Register of Disposal at Sea Operations* as provided by the Department of the Environment. This register must, at all times, be kept aboard any vessel involved with the disposal operations and be accessible to enforcement officers designated under the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*.

12.3. The Permittee shall submit a written report to the Minister, as represented by the Regional Director of the Environmental Protection Operations Directorate, Quebec Region, identified in paragraph 12.1., within 30 days of the expiry of the permit. This report shall contain the following information: a list of all work completed pursuant to the permit, including the names of the loading and disposal sites used, the nature and the quantity of matter disposed of at the disposal site(s) and the dates on which disposal activities occurred and the *Register of Disposal at Sea Operations*.

12.4. The Permittee must keep a written register of the time of departure of the vessel to the disposal site and advise the Canadian Coast Guard station once per day of the departure times entered in the register. The Permittee must record these communications in the register mentioned in paragraph 12.2.

12.5. At all times, a copy of this permit, documents and drawings referenced in this permit shall be available at the loading site and on all powered ships directly engaged in the loading and disposal operations.

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On behalf of the Minister of the Environment