Update: Hibernia response continues

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Time: 5:15 p.m.  (Newfoundland time)

St. John's, Newfoundland: Hibernia Management and Development Company Ltd. (HMDC) is continuing response efforts regarding a release from the platform on July 17.

Today there are two vessels in the field supporting response efforts. Four third-party wildlife observers continue to monitor for wildlife from vessels and overflights. There have been no new reports of impacted wildlife.

Observations from surveillance flights, satellite imagery, and the vessels over the past several days indicate concentrations of oil have decreased to the point that mechanical recovery and dispersion operations are no longer possible. Other response efforts will continue as needed, including: vessel and flight surveillance, satellite images, and tracker buoys to monitor for any presence of hydrocarbons.

Any fishers who believe they've been impacted by the discharge can contact HMDC at the numbers provided below.

Demobilization of vessels continues and production remains shut in. HMDC is continuing its investigation. More information will be released when it becomes available.

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