

Media Advisory

September 3, 2010

Offshore Helicopter Safety Inquiry to Resume Public Hearings

The Offshore Helicopter Safety Inquiry will resume public hearings for the presentation of oral submissions on Wednesday, September 8, 2010. The Parties with Standing will have a final opportunity to appear before the Inquiry and make presentation on the issues identified for improvement to offshore helicopter transportation.

The Honourable Robert Wells, Q.C., Inquiry Commissioner, says he is “looking forward with anticipation to the oral submissions which will be presented in this final round of public hearings.” Presentations by the persons or organizations that have been granted standing will commence at 9:30 a.m. on September 8, 2010 and continue on September 9th and 10th, if required.

Issue identification and investigation, Phase 1b, began on February 23, 2010 to define a clear list of issues for consideration. The complete list of [Issues for Consideration](#), as well as written submissions from the Parties with Standing, are posted on the Inquiry's website www.oshsi.nl.ca

This final round of public hearings will be broadcast live on the Inquiry's website and on Rogers Cable TV, according to the tentative daily schedule.

Daily Schedule

The daily schedule is as follows:

9:30a.m. – 10:45a.m. – Public Hearings
10:45a.m. – 11:00a.m. – Morning Break
11:00a.m. – 12:30a.m. – Public Hearings
12:30a.m. – 2:00p.m. – Lunch Break
2:00p.m. – 3:15p.m. – Public Hearings
3:15p.m. – 3:30p.m. – Afternoon Break
3:30p.m. – 4:30p.m. – Public Hearings

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Encl: Tentative List of Presentations

Tentative List of Presentations for Inquiry Phase 1c Public Hearings

The following is the proposed order for oral submissions. It is possible the order may change somewhat. As changes are made a revised schedule will be posted on the Inquiry website. Each presenter will follow the completion of the previous one, and may be adjusted for particular presentations.

September 8, 2010	<u>Helly Hansen Canada Limited</u>
	<u>Offshore Safety and Survival Centre, Marine Institute, Memorial University</u>
	Jack Harris, Member of Parliament for St. John's East
	<u>Department of Transport Canada</u>
	<u>Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers</u>
	<u>Government of Newfoundland and Labrador</u>
	<u>Families of Deceased Passengers</u>
	<u>Estate of Matthew Davis (Pilot) and Estate of Timothy Lanouette (Co-Pilot)</u>
	<u>Cougar Helicopters Inc.</u>
	<u>Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union, Local 2121</u>
	<u>Joint operator [Hibernia Management and Development Company Ltd. (HMDC), Suncor and Husky Oil Operations Ltd.]</u>
	<u>Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board (C-NLOPB)</u>