

# Hebron Public Review Commission

## Submission to Public Review

### Summary of participant's position

The City of St. John's is facing a time of significant economic growth. The Hebron project is just one of several significant projects which is and will continue to have an impact on the community.

St. John's and adjacent communities are poised to benefit from these projects and we want to maximize the returns to residents, business and the community generally. We know that we need to be prudent and informed to better realize opportunities and mitigate any challenges.

A community that is responsive to the needs of residents and newcomers is better able to retain and attract people and investments. The future development of our communities will be strengthened by a diversified economy that embraces and is responsive to social concerns.

- 1) Concerns with capacity at level of programming – particularly in the context of social development.
- 2) Competition of labour in an anticipated tight job market which may affect community ability to recruit and retain employees.
- 3) The cumulative effect of the various natural resource projects and local construction projects is unknown however we, through a consultant study, will be attempting to gain a better understanding. In this respect it is critically important that mechanisms are developed to ensure ongoing opportunities for exchange of current and relevant information.