

## **Board Issues Order to Prohibit Activities**

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**Halifax, NS** - At a recent meeting, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board made a decision to issue an order prohibiting any petroleum activity on three Exploration Licences off Cape Breton while the Public Review is underway. The prohibition order applies to Corridor Resources Inc. (EL 2368) and Hunt Oil Company (EL's 2364 and 2365).

Pursuant to the Accord Acts, the order is a fundamental decision and has been approved by the provincial and federal energy ministers.

The prohibition order was issued after the federal and provincial governments directed the Board to have a Public Review of the effects of potential oil and gas exploration and drilling activities in the three licence areas. The order remains in effect until the Board notifies interest owners that the public review is completed. The terms and conditions of the licences are extended for a period equal to the period the order is in force.

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