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Sir,

Captain(N) S. Sader
Base Commander
CFB Esquimalt

I want to thank you for the support that you have shown CFSA over your tenure as Base Commander. Without your efforts to support our planning process we would not be nearly as far as are today.

As a result of the working group and communications that we have had with the Queen's Harbour Master, we understand that there are a number of assets that will be ready for disposal as a result of the ongoing work and recapitalization of the harbour. Moreover, it is understood that the assets will be available along timelines that match those of our transformation project. For the public, the disposal of concrete docks is an expense for the harbour projects and by disposing to NPP the public-projects could realize substantial savings.

The assets in question are:

- ML Floats
- 3 x Stevedoring Barges
- HMCS Oriole's on-dock storage building and float

It is our understanding that the plans for the recapitalization of the minor and auxiliary vessels' moorage in Esquimalt Harbour have progressed to the point where plans are being made for the disposal of the ML Docks in approximately two years. From our initial investigations, the timing of the disposal corresponds well with our own plans. We seek your confirmation that our understanding is correct, and if so we request the transfer of these docks in whole or in part to the NPP Asset Account of CFSA. The ML Docks have been inspected by CFSA and are particularly suited to the main dock of the new CFSA location representing a savings of approximately \$592 000 in our current business case. If approved, we would request to take possession of these docks in June 2021, but should operations require could defer the possession date as late as Dec 2021.



We further understand that the Stevedoring Barges are now surplus to the Queen's Harbour Master's operational needs and are awaiting disposal. Our plans for the barges would include locating temporary workshops, on-water storage, and a boat lift. We therefore request that they be transferred to our NPP asset account effective 1 January 2020, and assistance in launching them at an appropriate time. We would like to complete their refit at D Jetty by applying anti-fouling paint and preparing them for future service with CFSA. This work would commence in January.

We have the latest surveys of the docks and are already in possession of about four fifths of the old Oriole dock, which is of similar pattern and design as the ML docks. We are very pleased with the condition and design of these docks and HMCS Oriole's on-dock storage building (currently moored to ML1). This floating storage building/workshop would be a tremendous addition to the facility. We request its transfer to CFSA at a date to be determined as convenient to QHM.

As you can no doubt appreciate, the earliest possible decision will greatly enable CFSA to make significant decisions and bring clarity to the several courses of action we are currently considering in the business plan.

We remain ever grateful for the incredible support that you've shown our club.

Yours, Aye,

Christopher M Maier
Lieutenant Commander
Commodore CFSA