



Conestoga-Rovers & Associates **Project Summary**

KEY PROJECT ELEMENTS

- **Environmental Compliance Audit**
- **Management of Audits, Cost Control, Client Liaison**
- **Review of Operating Procedures and Relevant Legislation**
- **Recommendations for Improvements for Compliance and BMP**

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

CRA conducted an environmental compliance audit of the overall management of facilities and activities at 5 Wing Goose Bay. The work was completed on behalf of the Department of National Defence (DND) and consisted of a supplier audit of the Base Facilities Management Contractor managing the base under an Alternate Services Delivery Contract. The audit was performed under a Standing Offer Agreement (SOA) to assist DND with its environmental auditing program at 5 Wing Goose Bay. CRA was the prime consultant responsible for overall management of audits, cost control, and client liaison.

The audit was implemented in accordance with CFB Goose Bay's Environmental Audit Protocol. Questionnaires were developed to ensure the information required by the protocol was captured. The environmental protocols examined included hazardous material and waste management, air management, spill prevention and control, land impacts and site management, liquid effluent/influent management, asbestos management, ozone depleting substances (ODS) management, petroleum and oils, and lubricants (POL) management. Procedures or general operating practices were reviewed in detail and assessments were made regarding compliance with federal and/or provincial legislation, policies and guidelines, DND's Sustainable Development Strategy or the Base Management Contractor's procedures and policies.

Approximately 40 buildings were covered by the audit, including a combined central heating plant/thermal power generating station; an emergency back up generator building; two vehicle refuelling depots; a water treatment plant; a fire station; an air traffic control centre; electrical, mechanical, sheet metal, carpentry, and vehicle maintenance shops; and hazardous material, hazardous waste, and waste PCB storage bunkers. The audit included all property management aspects, including groundskeeping, vehicle operation and maintenance, military air traffic control operations, ozone depleting substances, asbestos, PCBs, international wastes, regular solid wastes, and emergency response.

The final report identified all audit findings as regulatory non-compliances; guideline, policy, or procedure non-conformances; or deviation from accepted best management practices. For each finding, a reference was provided to identify the applicable audit criterion that was not being met. Recommendations for compliance with regulatory policy and best management practices were also made.

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