

From: US EPA

Sent: Monday, December 8, 2025 3:24 PM

To: CEC Secretariat (Director, Legal Affairs & SEM Unit)

Subject: RE: Final Factual Record / Expediente de hechos final / Dossier factuel final - SEM-21-003 (North Atlantic right whale)

Paolo,

Thanks for addressing the U.S. comments.

We recognize and appreciate the Secretariat efforts to remain within the established 30-day review period. However, our interagency partners have requested a one-week extension to complete their internal leadership clearance of the final factual record draft. Also, we acknowledge Canada requires time to review the changes streaming from these comments. In support of our clearance step, could the Secretariat circulate the final draft?

We appreciate your consideration on this request and will work diligently to avoid any further delays.

Regards,

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