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FYI—Updated messages as per feedback on earlier email.

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Engaging Air Services for Ground Search and Rescue Operations January, 2012

The Provincial Government engages air services for ground search and rescue operations at the request of policing agencies. The police force responsible is considered the lead agency in ground search operations.

In ground search and rescue operations, provincial and federal assets are considered 'support services' to the lead agency.

Through Fire and Emergency Services, Newfoundland and Labrador will contact Government Air Services to engage a private operator. FES-NL may also request the assistance of federal assets through the Joint Rescue Coordination Center (JRCC), based on the time of day of the request and the resources available.

Private operators will dictate whether conditions are favourable for flight. JRCC officials are

responsible for determining whether it is safe for federal assets to fly.

Our standard operating procedure indicates that Search and Rescue services provided by the federal government can be engaged in some types of adverse weather and for the purposes of night-flying.