



CANADIAN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT – 1999. OPERATIONAL PROGRAM REVIEW OF MARINE ENVIRONMENT ACTIVITIES AND MANDATES



Environment Canada is required to undertake a mid-term review of all operational and mandated activities under the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act of 1999 (CEPA-99)*. These reviews assist in ensuring the Department continues to meet its mandates, as well as preparing for potential changes in the Act that would have to be presented to Parliament in 2004-2005. Branch activities include: Disposal At Sea, Shellfish Sanitation Program, Management of Land-Based Sources of Pollution to the Marine Environment and Marine-Based Sources of Pollution.

Land & Sea Environmental was retained by the Strategic Priorities Directorate to undertake a review of the Marine Environment Branch activities and mandates. Activities included teleconferences with departmental sections in the five regions, interviews with outside departments having shared mandates (e.g., Fisheries and Oceans) and international partners.

The findings of the review were presented to an inter-departmental senior review committee and then more fully developed into a series of recommended actions and program changes.

Client: Environment Canada, Strategic Priorities Directorate.