

Order Paper Questions

Name	Length m. (ft.)	Breadth m. (ft.)	Draft m. (ft.)	Horse Power kW (HP)	Displacement mt (L.T.)	Endurance (n. mile)	Base
<i>Alert</i>	71.40 (234.1)	12.12 (39.7)	4.87 (15.9)	7,462 (10,000)	2,164 (2,130)	6,000	Dartmouth N.S.
<i>Daring</i>	54.25 (177.9)	8.84 (28.9)	2.74 (8.9)	1,985 (2,660)	667 (657)	4,000	Dartmouth N.S.
<i>Louis S. St. Laurent</i>	111.71 (366.4)	24.38 (79.9)	9.44 (30.9)	17,910 (24,000)	14,508 (14,280)	16,000	Dartmouth N.S.
<i>John A. Macdonald</i>	96.01 (314.9)	21.33 (69.9)	8.56 (28.0)	11,194 (15,000)	9,306 (9,160)	20,000	Dartmouth N.S.
<i>Labrador</i>	82.0 (268.9)	19.52 (64.0)	9.51 (31.1)	7,462 (10,000)	7,051 (6,940)	23,000	Dartmouth N.S.
<i>Fraser</i>	62.24 (204.7)	12.79 (41.9)	4.22 (13.8)	2,164 (2,900)	1,899 (1,870)	6,000	Quebec Que.
<i>Sir Humphrey Gilbert</i>	67.05 (219.9)	14.62 (47.9)	4.98 (16.3)	3,171 (4,250)	3,053 (3,005)	12,000	St. John's, Nfld.
<i>Bartlett</i>	57.66 (189.12)	12.90 (42.3)	3.81 (12.4)	1,567 (2,100)	1,722 (1,695)	3,300	St. John's, Nfld.

It is planned that the Canadian Coast Guard will also provide some 200 ship days for Fisheries Surveillance in 1977-78 and in subsequent years, but the number to be provided in each year and the proportion on each coast has yet to be determined and will depend on the capability of the Department of the Environment to meet the requirements of the Surveillance Program with their own vessels and those of the Department of National Defence. Other than ship-based helicopters, which may be used when available for transfer of personnel and short range surveillance, it is not planned to use Coast Guard aircraft in support of this Surveillance program.

PUBLIC WORKS—POST OFFICE, DESCHAMBAULT, P.Q.

Question No. 1,046—Mr. Matte:

1. Has construction of the post office at Deschambault in the Constituency of Champlain been stopped and, if so (a) on what date (b) for what reason?

2. Was the work, undertaken by the Department of Public Works, approved by the Quebec Department of Cultural Affairs and, if not (a) for what reason (b) did the plans of the future post office meet the specifications of the Quebec Department of Cultural Affairs?

3. Which firm obtained the contract and for what amount?

Mr. Alexandre Cyr (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Public Works): 1. Yes. (a) October 6, 1976; (b) discussions between the Department of Public Works of Canada and the Department of Cultural Affairs of Quebec lead to mutual agreement that the originally proposed design should be modified.

2. No. (a) Approval was not requested; (b) discussions between the Department of Public Works of Canada and the Department of Cultural Affairs of Quebec lead to mutual agreement on certain design revisions.

3. Les Entreprises Justin Désy Ltée, Saint-Séverin-de-Proulxville, \$102,992.

RESEARCH PROJECTS ON THE EFFECTS OF PONCEAU SX (RED # 4)

Question No. 1,124—Mr. Yewchuk:

What research projects is the Department of National Health and Welfare

1976	Type	Amount	Locations
	Sorbent—synthetic	20 cartons 20 cartons 20 cartons	Prince Rupert Vancouver Victoria
	Sorbent—Peat Moss	200 bales 100 bales	Prince Rupert Victoria

[Mr. Goodale.]

sponsoring or conducting on the effects of Ponceau SX (Red # 4) on human health?

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare): At the present time, the Department of National Health and Welfare is not undertaking any research studies on the health effects of Ponceau SX (Red # 4). This colour has been tested in several species of animals both by the Department in the 1960's and several other institutions in subsequent years. No adverse effects have been noted in the past regarding cancer or reproduction nor is there any new evidence to suggest this colour poses a health risk. This colour has a very restricted use in foods. Scientists of the Department are not aware of any studies presently underway on this colour. However, they are continuously monitoring world literature for new developments.

OIL SPILL CONTAINMENT AND REMOVAL EQUIPMENT ON THE BRITISH COLUMBIA COAST

Question No. 1,416—Mr. Wenman:

1. As of December 1 (a) 1976 (b) 1974, how much oil spill containment and removal equipment did the government own on the British Columbia coast and, in each case, how many were (i) slicklickers and what was their type, optimum rated capacity and locations (ii) slurp skimmers and what was their locations?

2. For the same years, what was the length and type of oil boom in each west coast location?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport): 1. (a)