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**Upcoming newsletter**

Levi Barnabas and myself are preparing a newsletter to be distributed around the community. We hope to submit a newsletter on approximately a monthly basis and have the first edition ready by mid November when I return from Montreal.

The upcoming issue of the newsletter will include a summary of the Nunavut Water Board's closure and reclamation licence for the Nanisivik Mine.

There will be an article reviewing the recent report of Joanne Gelinas, the Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development. One of the chapters of this report deals with abandoned mines in the North. This issue is of particular concern for Arctic Bay considering the uncertainty around the Nanisivik Mine.

We are expecting a submission from GN coordinator, Florian Lemphers, concerning the work that the Territorial Government is doing for the closure (moving houses, socio-economic strategy *et cetera*).

We are also considering reprinting the Nanisivik town site soil contamination presentation delivered by Earle Baddaloo during Minister Akesuk's visit on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Any ideas that the working group has for topics to be included in the newsletter would be appreciated. Please mention them to us.

**Security Deposit**

CanZinco has requested from the Nunavut Water Board, an extension of 30 days in order that it can work to obtain the 17.6 million dollars required in the water licence. The reason behind this request is that CanZinco has finally reached an agreement with DIAND regarding the 1 million dollars it failed to post on July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2002. Apparently this security will take the form of fuel stored at the mine site.

CanZinco's lawyer requests the extension as he states that a great deal of time has been expended in negotiating this aforementioned agreement and the result is that there has been little time to work on obtaining the 17.6 million dollar security.

The Water Board has requested that interested parties submit written comments regarding CanZinco's request for an extension. These comments must arrive before 5 pm, November 8<sup>th</sup>. The Board will use these submissions to help guide its decision. It would be useful to Board members to know how the community of Arctic Bay feels about CanZinco's request.