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File No: 1AR-NAN0208

February 14, 2008

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Re: Application for Amendment for 1AR-NAN0208

Dear Mr. Carreau,

On June 7, 2007, the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) sent a letter to your attention setting out two options for the processing of Canzinc Limited's (CL) application for amendment to license 1AR-NAN0208 (License). To date the Board has not received a formal, written response to that letter from CL¹

The NWB notes that the License expires on May 1, 2008. As the date of expiry of the License approaches, the Board remains conscious of the commitment in its Reasons for Decision dated October 10, 2002 to hold another public hearing on the License.² In addition to the requirement to hold a public hearing pursuant to section 52 of the *Nunavut Water and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act (NWNSRTA)*, section 51(2)³ of the *NWNSRTA* permits the Board, when satisfied that it would be in the public interest to do so, to hold a public hearing in connection with any matter relating to its object. Accordingly, the NWB is writing to seek your views on proceeding with the amendment or renewal of the License and the holding of a public hearing in relation to the application.

In light of the expiry date of the License and absence of a reply to the Board's earlier correspondence, the Board again draws to your attention the need to ensure an application for amendment or renewal is filed on a timely basis. As advised in the NWB's letter of June 7, 2007,

¹ The NWB acknowledges receipt of a brief, informal e-mail received by the NWB on June 8, 2007,

² "The NWB has concluded that the license will be valid for a term of five years. Due to the fact that all necessary studies have yet to be filed, this license will be subject to amendment and variation by the NWB as and when required under subsection 43(10). In other words, the NWB, after another public hearing tentatively scheduled for the first quarter of 2003, will determine amendments based upon additional information received from currently pending studies. From those studies, the NWB will amend the license based upon whatever is presented and the NWB deems at the time to be in the public interest." (pg 20)

³ 51(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the Board may, where satisfied that it would be in the public interest to do so, hold a public hearing in connection with any matter relating to its objects.

the application will need to be sent to the Nunavut Impact Review Board for their advice within their impact assessment jurisdiction, and the Board must comply with the notice and public hearing requirements pursuant to section 55 of the Act. Thus the Board is very concerned that the renewed water license may not be in place prior to the expiry of the current licence.

The NWB requests that CL submit its views on the matters set out above to the undersigned's attention no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 29, 2008. If you require further clarification on this request please contact me at exec@nunavutwaterboard.org or (867) 360-6338.

Regards,



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Executive Director

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