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Subject: RE: File No. 1AR-NAN0208/Renewal
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Dear Niore:

I was troubled on reading your email this morning - only as it indicates that the communication between us has not been satisfactory to keep you (personally) informed and updated in your role as Community Liaison Officer. As you know we closed up the site last winter for the first time - and therefore there has been no representation at the site for the past several months. In fact the contractor has only just arrived a few weeks ago to complete the 2008 clean-up. However, I know that Murray Markle met with the Hamlet Council last fall to update them on the reclamation status before he left for the winter. He also provided similar information in an open letter to the community (see attached letter dated September 27, 2007) but perhaps that information was not well distributed in the community. In any event allow me to clarify what our intentions are regarding the remaining reclamation work, the water license renewal and our commitment to long term monitoring of the site.

The current Water License was issued for a 5 year period and expires in May 2008. The notification that you received from the Nunavut Water Board was to inform you that this renewal function is in process and notification is part of the administrative function. This process is repeated every renewal.

I would like to assure you Niore, it is our intention to continue monitoring the site this year and for several years to come. The monitoring program approved in the Closure and Reclamation Plan was designed to collect information that allows us to understand when the site has reached stability (both chemically and physically) and will support land-use similar to pre-mining conditions. To this end we are still collecting water samples, soil samples, temperature and freeze/thaw readings from ground instruments, and conducting geophysical surveillance. And it is our intention to continue this for several more years - until we are satisfied that the remediation objectives have been achieved. Sampling is being carried out by members of your community and has included Norm Pauloosie, Cindy Kilabuk and Jeremy Nuviaq. During the past year and going forward Claude Lavallee - a citizen of Arctic Bay for 25 years - will continue the monitoring program, supplemented by experts from the South on an annual basis for specialty work (geophysical investigation). The samples and readings collected by Claude will continue to be reported to the CanZinco office where they will be compiled into the quarterly reports that are submitted to the NWB and available on public registry. On this point I would like to commit to sending a separate copy of the results to your community in the event that they are not obtained by other means.

As you pointed out in your email Niore, there are only a few houses left standing and these will be removed this year. In addition there are some remaining pieces of equipment that will be removed from the site and shipped south by year end. We are still in discussion with DND regarding the possible transfer of the tank farm and expect to finalize those discussions shortly. In any event the tanks will likely stay in place for 2008 and either be removed or transferred to DND in 2009.

It has been my intention to come to the site early this season to update the community on the status of the project - a role that Murray Markle filled while he remained at the site these past few years. I have been waiting until the "camp" has been reopened and services restored in preparation for this seasons work. These preparations are now nearing completion and I will schedule a trip shortly and advise you of the dates. During that visit I will also be accompanied by Lois Sutherland who be holding an information session and "job fair" (of sorts) to recruit potential employees for Breakwater's other operations.

I hope this clarifies things somewhat Niore, but if you have any additional questions or comments, please feel free

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to contact me directly. Otherwise, I look forward to seeing you in Arctic Bay in the next near while.

Warm regards,
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Dear Phyllis Beaulieu,

I understand CanZinco has submitted an application to renew their water license and based on my understanding they wish to discontinue all work and monitoring of the Nanisivik site. I was the Mayor at the time they had the Nunavut Water Board hearings here in Arctic Bay when they were reviewing the plans to do reclamation work as things were winding down in Nanisivik. It was a big concern from the Citizens of Arctic Bay to have the site monitored for several years. I am certain that if there is to be no monitoring of the site, then the residents of Arctic Bay need to know what the plans are for the future if in the case that the site will no longer be monitored.

It should be of a bigger concern to all involved with all this talk of Global Warming, we notice that here too as spring arrives sooner then it used to. The residents of Arctic Bay wanted to have input as to the progression of the reclamation and be informed of the monitoring reports. To date, I have not heard of what stage the reclamation is in although we can see that there are just a few buildings that need to be torn down at the town site.

I also understood from the afternoon tours that there were ground thermometers installed at the tailings pond and the indication was that the tailings pond should remain intact. We also understood that there were to be certain depths of shale and also certain depths of gravel put on top of the tailings pond but what we haven't heard is if those depths have been met and who monitored that to see if that amount was really put in place?

I have only read the your letter dated April 30, 2008 addressed to Mr. Carreau and in talking to the Hamlet of Arctic Bay, it became apparent that they have not received any copies of the application submitted by CanZinco and to my understanding, they have also not seen any copies of the letters you indicate in your letter which are 1. Water Licence Application Form (received February 21, 2008) 2. 2006 Annual Report, dated March 31, 2007; and 3. Quarterly Report (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th) for 2007.

Based on the hearings that were held here in Arctic Bay, Council at that time requested a local site monitor assistant be hired to work with the site monitor to better inform the residents of Arctic Bay, but to date, that hasn't happened. Perhaps something like this should be thought of so that the Residents of Arctic Bay can be made aware that there are no dangers to them as they are the ones that will hunt and also travel by the old mine site. There were also mentions of contaminants and that there were also requests to have signs posted in more dangerous locations, and they requested the signs be in all languages including Inuktitut, however, I do not know if this has been met to date.

Perhaps the Nunavut Water Board should have another hearing here in Arctic Bay or is the Hamlet responsible for asking for a hearing here in Arctic Bay? I think this should seriously be considered just to ease the minds of local Residents. Thank you for your consideration regarding my concerns.

Sincerely yours,

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