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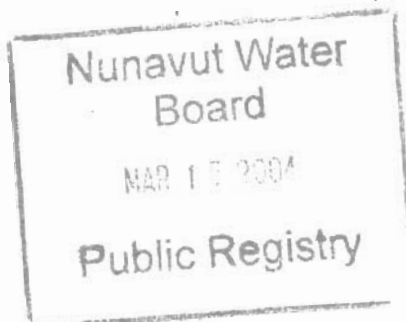
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March 15, 2004

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Dear Mr. di Pizzo:

On behalf of Council, I would like to thank Patrick Duxbury of Nunavut Water Board for his help in coming in to hold a public information session to the population of Arctic Bay on the evening of February 23, 2004. As the reclamation and Closure Plan for the Nanisivik Mine is extensive and technical, we appreciate any help from the Nunavut Water Board in explaining to us and the public in a language that we can understand.

I wish to extend my apologies in submitting this letter at the last minute. Our Internet services have been down since the beginning of February and I do not recall having received the correspondence dated February 24 and March 12, 2004. I once again acknowledge my appreciation to Patrick Duxbury for faxing me the letters written by Susan Hardy, Legal Counsel, Bill Heath, President of Canzincos and Stephan Taynor, Director, Operations for INAC on such short notice.

It is on behalf of Council that I wish to stress that although we wish to see the Reclamation of the Mine proceed, we do not wish to see it done in a fashion that will have long term implications on our population and its surrounding environment. Therefore, I am in full agreement that the Reclamation and Closure Plan submitted by Nanisivik Mine be reviewed to the satisfaction of all parties involved.

I would also like to stress that the people of Arctic Bay wish to be involved in the closure plan and welcome any information sessions such as the ones that are held by Patrick Duxbury. Once again, I apologize for submitting this letter at the last minute and I would appreciate copies of letters written between early February to now to be faxed to our office.

Sincerely yours,

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Mayor, Municipality of Arctic Bay

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