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Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licensing Nunavut Water Board



via Email to: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

RE: Intervention Statement Addendum for the Nansivik Type A Water Licence Renewal Application NWB File # 1AR-NAN0208

Dear Ms. Beaulieu:

In lieu of new information provided by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada received by the Government of Nunavut, Department of Environment (DoE) on February 18, 2009, we are providing the following comments as an addendum to the previous intervention statement by GN-DoE of February 13, 2009.

We are providing updated comments with regards to topic 13. Closure and Reclamation as per Direction issued by the NWB on December 15, 2009.

13. Closure and Reclamation

In a letter dated February 17, 2009, DFO stated that DND will not be taking over the fuel tank farm facilities located on the Nanisivik dock area; consequently, DFO will request the Proponent remove the tank farm facility and remediate the soils underneath the tanks.

GN-DoE recommends a set timeline be established for the reclamation and remediation of the fuel tank farm. Moreover, the Proponent is advised to develop a report outlining in detail, but not limited to the following:

- Tank removal: Will the tanks be steam cleaned? How will the water be treated and to what quality before being discharged? Will the tanks be removed off-site? How and where?
- Tank sludge removal and treatment: the water and hydrocarbons in the sludge must be segregated and treated separately, how will this be accomplished?
- Soil remediation: will the soil from underneath the tanks be treated on-site or shipped offsite? If treatment on-site is the preferred option, further detail is required outlining how (e.g. landfarm facility), where (exact location) and remediation objectives.

We thank the NWB for the opportunity to provide further comments on CanZinco's water license renewal application for the Nanisivik Mine Site. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Original signed by

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