

**Environment Canada's Closing Remarks
Nanisivik Mine Project Public Hearing February 23, 2009**

Environment Canada (EC) would like to thank the Nunavut Water Board for the opportunity to present our concerns with CanZinco's application for a Type A Water Licence for the Nanisivik Mine Project.

EC has provided suggestions in our intervention document for the Board to consider in the development of the renewed water licence. As outlined in our written intervention, and summarized in the presentation at this hearing, a broad range of concerns were identified by Environment Canada and addressed by the proponent.

Issues raised and addressed by the proponent include:

- Water Management and Water Quality;
- Contingency Planning;
- Monitoring Timeframes; and,
- Closure and Reclamation.

CanZinco has agreed to a five year Post-closure Monitoring Period, and has indicated that further monitoring would continue if warranted. Environment Canada also acknowledges that CanZinco will be submitting a Reclamation Plan for the Tank Farm Facility, for approval by the Board.

In addition, Environment Canada will be making a submission to the Board by Friday February 27, 2009. This submission will specifically address water management and water quality, and contingency planning with respect to the letter dated February 19, 2009 by Jacques Whitford/ Stantec to CanZinco Ltd., *Interventions on Water Licence Renewal Hearing-Water Quality Monitoring*.

Environment Canada will also address the Landfill monitoring point NML-29 rather than NML-30, as originally referred to in Environment Canada's Intervention Submission dated February 13, 2009 and EC's February 23, 2009 Public Hearing presentation.

Environment Canada would like to note that the hearings, and steps leading up to them, were very constructive. The proponent's initiative in addressing issues raised in the course of this process has been appreciated.

I would like to commend the Board on a well-run hearing. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the residents of Arctic Bay for their hospitality. It has been a great pleasure to have had the opportunity to visit your wonderful community.

Thank you,

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