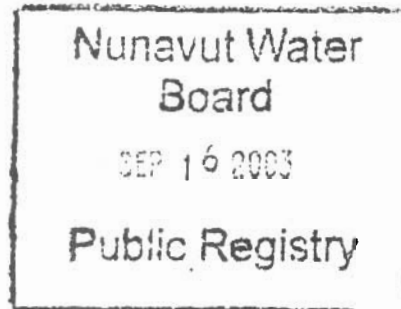




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Dear Mr. Di Pizzo

Re: License NWB1NAN0208 - Final Technical Meeting on HHERA.

The Hamlet Working Group has concerns to the HHERA and Phase II ESA Reports submitted by Canzinco/Breakwater Resources Ltd. pursuant to License NWB1NAN0208.

Since, the first Nunavut Water Board public hearing in July 2002. The residents of Arctic Bay and the Hamlet Working Group had been periodically addressing their concerns to different agencies on these two reports.

The residents and former worker at Nanisivik Mine Ltd. expressed their concerns on medical conditions related to the contamination exposure during the 26 years of the operation of Nanisivik Mine Ltd. The Phase II ESA Report used 1985 soil sampling data and it is not relevant since the exposure of contaminant has been blown to the town site and right down to the loading dock area. Since the exposure of this contaminant the residents of Arctic Bay has seen over the years of games going back and forth to the area surrounding the community of Arctic Bay. The marine and land games have been hunted by the residents of Arctic Bay, and more concerns are expressed again on how the contaminants are contracted by these games have been eaten by most of the residents of Arctic Bay.

The Hamlet Working Group and the residents of Arctic Bay had reviewed the Phase II reports with different agencies. The HWG have more questions to address learning about the chemicals that have been deposited to the tailings pond and the wind blown chemical exposed to the surrounding area at the town site right down to the dock area. Although, the HWG have limited resources to address and deal with these complicated toxic contaminants. And in Inuktitut, we do not have terminology for a lot of chemicals that have been used to extract the lead and zinc during the 26 years of operation of Nanisivik Mine Ltd.

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In 1996 the government brought 11 units to accommodate the need for the housing needs in Arctic Bay. The buildings brought to Arctic Bay from Nanisivik were brought without cleanup. And during the operation of the mine the residents and the mineworkers have been traveling back and forth from Nanisivik Mine to Arctic Bay by using mine vehicles. Some of the former mine residents and workers have concerns why they have to get off work for 6 to 7 days in order for the level of lead and zinc alone to drain from their system. The concern from resident of Arctic Bay and former workers is the other contaminants contracted in their body and other people who were pregnant and lived at the town site and children who played outside during the exposure of contaminants by the wind blown from tailings pond.

The reclamation plan is to commence in the fall of 2004. And there is a expectation of more Arctic Bay residents and from other communities to be hired in order to meet the 60% plus Inuit employment under the 1974 Strathcona Sound Agreement, without addressing the other contaminants which the people will be hired to clean-up the contaminants. The another concern that has been expressed is that the tailings pond is only 30X from the water lake of Arctic Bay residents and there is a creek coming from the area of tailings pond to the drinking water of the residents of Arctic Bay.

Sincerely,



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