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Mr. Thomas Kabloona  
Chair  
Nunavut Water Board  
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Dear Mr. Kabloona:

Thank you for your letter of December 23, 2014, conveying the Nunavut Water Board's issuance of a renewed and amended type A Water Licence 1AR-NAN1419 for CanZinco Ltd.'s former Nanisivik mine site.

While I appreciate the challenging workload faced by the Board, I am deeply concerned by the increasing frequency of projects that have been operating under an expired water licence. I have directed departmental officials to work with your staff to examine possible means of resolving this issue and to prevent future occurrences.

In light of the foregoing, I have approved the water licence as recommended by the Board. The signed original is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Bernard Valcourt, PC, QC, MP

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