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Cc: Brian Aglukark
Subject: RE: Teck Metals - Former Polaris Mine Long Term Monitoring Program

Good morning Karlette,

Mr. Aglukark forwarded your email below to me for response.

A review by NPC of a proposed renewal/amendment to a project is generally triggered when an application or request is received from a land use authorising agency. Upon receipt, the NPC will review and determine whether a conformity determination is required.

To date, the NPC has not received the renewal/amendment application described below from any authorising agency.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Teck Metals - Former Polaris Mine Long Term Monitoring Program

Dear Mr. Aglukark

I am working with Teck Metals Ltd. on their application for renewal and amendment of their water licence for the former Polaris Mine long term monitoring program.

In fall 2002 Teck submitted the attached application to NPC and received the attached decision from NPC regarding conformity of the Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Reclamation Project with the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan. Subsequently in December 2002, NIRB issued its screening decision for the project and in April, 2003 the NWB issued water licence 1AR-POL0911 for closure and reclamation of the mine. Decommissioning activities were completed in 2003 and 2004, and since mine closure ten years of monitoring information has been collected.

At this time, Teck is in the process of preparing its application for water licence renewal including a request to amend the Licence terms and conditions to reflect that there is no activity at the site other to allow for long term monitoring during post closure for a term of 18 years. Long term post closure monitoring will not involve any water use or waste disposal activity, however, the NWB and AANDC have both suggested that the continued use of a water licence would be the most appropriate means to structure Teck's continued monitoring and provide a viable means for maintaining reclamation security. As such, Teck proposes to apply for renewal of its type A water licence as a type B licence.

As part of the water licence renewal/amendment application package, the NWB requires written confirmation from the NPC confirming that NPC's land use planning requirements have been satisfied.

Can you please advise whether NPC requirements are satisfied by the previous conformity review? Please feel free to contact me if you would have any questions at this email address or 867-446-4459.

Kind regards,
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