

File No: 1AR-POL0311/ Amendment - Renewal

To: Polaris Distribution List

Date: October 7, 2014

Subject: Type "A" Water Licence 1AR-POL0311; Former Polaris Mine Long Term

Monitoring, Little Cornwallis Island Project, Renewal/Amendment Application by Teck Resources Ltd. – Notice of Public Hearing

Dear Parties:

On August 29, 2014 the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) delivered the Pre-Hearing Conference (PHC) Decision Report for the Type "A" Water Licence, 1AR-POL0311, issued to Teck Resources Ltd. for the Polaris Mine Site Reclamation (the Project). The PHC was held on August 18, 2014, immediately following a Technical Meeting (TM) for the Renewal Application associated with this file.

The purpose of the PHC was to discuss the various matters as set out in Rule 14 of the NWB *Rules of Practice and Procedure* (the Rules) in preparation for the Public Hearing. In particular, Rule 14 requires that a timetable for the Pre-Hearing exchange of information be set.

During the PHC, the Applicant and interveners agreed that the 2014 Site Monitoring Report (Monitoring Report) would have to be provided by the Applicant in advance of a Public Hearing. It was further noted that the timetable for the exchange of information would be very much influenced by the date on which monitoring at the site would be carried out by the Applicant (in turn, this would have implications on the ability of the Applicant to subsequently submit the Monitoring Report). To reflect these factors, a tentative timetable was set and Teck was requested to confirm that the 2014 site visit had taken place and that a Monitoring Report would be provided for distribution on or before October 17, 2014. On October 7th, 2014, Teck confirmed that the site visit was carried out, that data was collected and thus, that the Monitoring Report would be available for distribution, in accordance with the timelines outlined in the PHC Decision Report.

Therefore, please be advised, as per the Public Notice distributed yesterday by our Office and the timing provided in the PHC Decision Report issued on August 29, 2014, that on <u>Thursday and Friday, December 4-5, 2014</u>, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM the Nunavut Water Board will hold a Public Hearing with regards to the Water Licence, 1AR-POL0311 Licence Amendment Renewal. The location of the Public Hearing will be the Community Hall of Resolute Bay, Nunavut. Additionally, on the evening of Thursday, December 4, 2014, a Community Session will be held at the same location from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM.

All parties should note that the timetable set in the PHC Decision Report remains in effect:

- On or before Friday October 17, 2014, the Applicant will provide the 2014 Monitoring Report to the Board for distribution;
- All further and final written submissions provided by interveners must be filed with the Board on or before Friday, November 7, 2014;
- All further and final responses of the Applicant to the information filed to date must be filed with the Board on or before Friday, November 14, 2014;
- Any presentations (e.g. powerpoint presentations, etc.) upon which anyone intends to rely at the Public Hearing must be filed with the Board on or before Friday, November 21, 2014;
- Additional written submissions, final responses and presentation materials are required to
 provide an Executive Summary of their written submissions in both English and Inuktitut
 and fully translated copies of their presentation materials in English and Inuktitut; and
- The Board requires any party requesting French translation of the executive summary materials, presentation materials and/or requesting the Board to provide simultaneous French at the Public Hearing to make such requests to the Board in writing on or before Friday, October 17, 2014.

All submissions will be placed in the Board's ftp-site ftp-site ftp-site ftp-site ftp-site ftp-site ftp-site ftp-site ftp-site ftp-site ftp://ftp.nwb-oen.ca/1/2%20ADMIN/4%20HEARINGS/ and in the available for review at the Public Hearing.

If you have any questions regarding procedural matters, please contact Phyllis Beaulieu, Manager of Licensing, at 867-360-6338 or by e-mail to licensing@nwb-oen.ca. For inquiries related to technical matters, please contact Sonia Aredes, Technical Advisor by email at sonia.aredes@nwb-oen.ca or David Hohnstein, Director of Technical Services by e-mail to david.hohnstein@nwb-oen.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by:

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