

February 6, 2003

Nunavut Water Board  
P.O. Box 119  
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**Attention: Patrick Duxbury, Mine Reclamation Coordinator**

Dear Sir;

**Re: Department of Fisheries and Oceans Request for Extension to Submission Deadline re Water Licence # N4L2-0262**

This letter is in response to your email dated February 3, 2003 regarding the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) request for an extension to the submission deadline related to the March 10, 2003 Public Hearing in Resolute. DFO has requested that interventions be accepted until March 3, 2003.

Teck Cominco is in favor of granting DFO's request extending the deadline to March 3, 2003 in order that DFO and others have ample opportunity to provide written submissions regarding our Water Licence application. Based on the numerous meetings and screenings that have been conducted on this project over the past two years, and based on comments from participants at the recent pre-hearing meeting in Resolute, we do not believe that there will be any new significant technical issues raised at the last minute.

Yours truly,

*original signed & faxed to NWB office Feb 6/03 by B. Donald*

Bruce Donald