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Attention: Phyllis Beaulieu

RE: 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

Environment Canada (EC) acknowledges receipt of the Nunavut Water Board's (NWB) electronic mail, sent October 7, 2014, in which the NWB has announced a Public Hearing for the Type "A" Water Licence 1AR-POL0311 Renewal/Amendment Application submitted by Teck Resources Ltd. (the Proponent); for the Former Polaris Mine Long Term Monitoring, Little Cornwallis Island Project (the Project). EC has been pleased by the Proponent's efforts to respond to EC's concerns, and EC does not have any additional comments on this application at this time. For this reason, EC requests that the NWB consider a "paper," or written Public Hearing for this application. Furthermore, due to operational constraints, EC will not attend the face-to-face Public Hearing presently scheduled to occur in Resolute Bay on December 4 and 5, 2014. EC's specialist advice is provided pursuant to the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act 1999*, the pollution prevention provisions of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (MBCA), and the *Species at Risk Act* (SARA).

For further clarification on any aspect of this submission, please contact Michael I. Mohammed at (867)-975-4637 or michael.mohammed@ec.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

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