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Bruce Donald  
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**RE: NWB file NWB1POL0311 - Decommissioning Design Drawings –  
Operational Landfill, Dock and Garrow Lake Dam**

Dear Mr. Donald:

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Fish Habitat Management (DFO-FHM) has reviewed the technical specifications and drawings of the Garrow Lake Dam decommissioning, operational landfill cover design and dock decommissioning in regard to Polaris Mine. This information was submitted to the NWB in compliance with your current water licence. Please be advised that the decommissioning plans were previously reviewed by DFO staff and authorized on July 07, 2003.

Provided that the details of the technical specifications and drawings are consistent with the project plans previously submitted to DFO, and that the mitigation measures outlined in the *Authorization For Works or Undertakings Affecting Fish Habitat* (July 07, 2003) and *Polaris Fish Habitat Restoration Plan* (May 24, 2002) are implemented, DFO does not have any additional concerns with the above-mentioned documents.

If you have any questions or should there be any changes to the proposed work, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-8007 or by fax at (867) 979-8039.

Sincerely,

***Original signed by:***

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cc: Dionne Filiatrault, Nunavut Water Board

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