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By Email and Regular Mail
File #: NWB1POL0311/A2/Wavebreak

Mr. Bruce Donald Reclamation Manager Teck Cominco Limited Bag 2000 Kimberley, BC V1A 3E1

Subject: Approval for TeckCominco Limited's plan to decommission the Garrow

Lake wavebreak structure

Dear Mr. Donald,

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada ("INAC") have reviewed TeckCominco Limited's (the "Licensee") letter, dated April 26, 2004, which reported upon the Licensee's efforts to decommission the Garrow Lake wavebreak during late 2003, as well as its intentions to further reclaim and monitor the structure in 2004.

As part of the review process, the Licensee's letter was submitted for public review on May 26, 2004. One submission from INAC-Water Resources, Iqaluit was received on June 14, 2004. A submission by BGC Engineering, consultant for INAC, had been previously submitted on May 5, 2004. Both submissions are available on the NWB's FTP site at:

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The NWB and INAC hereby approve, with the following terms and conditions, the Licensee's previous steps to decommission the Garrow Lake wavebreak, as well as its plans to complete the task during the 2004 summer reclamation period:

- 1. The Licensee shall conduct and report upon, in an addendum to the applicable Quarterly Report, required under Part B, Item 2 of Licence NWB1POL0311, detailed visual observations of Garrow Creek's flow, until the end of the summer freshet period, to confirm that the channel is no longer obstructed.
- 2. The Licensee shall provide the NWB and INAC with a survey drawing of the wavebreak structure and creek channel at the lake outlet, as observed during a period of low flow in the creek. The survey drawing must include the location and width of the channel as well as the extent of the remaining portions of the wave break structure.

- 3. The Licensee shall, if additional reclamation work is necessary to prevent any obstructions to the long term flow from Garrow Lake, complete such work when the creek flows are near their minimum levels.
- 4. The Licensee shall, in order to prevent the migration of sediment into Garrow Creek, utilize silt curtains and/or sediment ponds in the event that further reclamation work on the wavebreak structure is required during a period of creek flow.

Any questions regarding these abovementioned items can be addressed to the undersigned at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Dionne Filiatrault Senior Technical Advisor Nunavut Water Board

c.c. Polaris Distribution List

Original signed by:

Spencer Dewar Acting Manger, Lands Administration Indian and Northern Affairs Canada