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Your file - Votre référence
1AR-POL1531

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Our file - Notre référence
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Sent via email: licensing@nwb-oen.ca

Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) comments on the Long Term Limnology, Water Quality and Effluent Monitoring Program for Type “A” Water Licence No: 1AR-POL1531 – Polaris Mine.

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

Thank you for the email notice, received on January 24, 2019, inviting comments by interested parties on Long Term Limnology, Water Quality and Effluent Monitoring Program for Type “A” Water Licence No: 1AR-POL1531. CIRNAC reviewed the aforementioned document and provides comments pursuant to its mandated responsibilities from the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act*.

CIRNAC notes that 2019 is the last long-term limnological and water quality monitoring, and geotechnical inspection event, until 2029. CIRNAC has no technical comments on the Long Term Limnology, Water Quality and Effluent Monitoring Program – and appreciates that the results of the sampling program will be reported to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) no later than March 31, 2020. As this Long Term Limnology, Water Quality and Effluent Monitoring Program is also being applied to the 2029 sampling program, CIRNAC requests the results of the 2029 sampling program are reported to the NWB no later than March 31, 2030 in preparation for the 2031 Water Licence No: 1AR-POL1531 renewal.

CIRNAC also notes that the Long Term Limnology, Water Quality and Effluent Monitoring Program was to be submitted to the NWB for approval within six months of issuance of the Water Licence No: 1AR-POL1531. CIRNAC reminds the licensee to stay within the timelines stipulated in their water licence.

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If you have any questions or require further information with respect to this matter, contact me at (867) 975-3877 or email michelle.blade@canada.ca, or Godwin Okonkwo at (867) 975-4550 or email godwin.okonkwo@canada.ca.

Regards,

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