

## Richard Dwyer

---

**From:** Spencer Dewar [Spencer.Dewar@inac-ainc.gc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 13, 2010 8:47 AM  
**To:** Charlotte Lamontagne; Mark Yetman  
**Cc:** Bernie MacIsaac; Brian O'Mara; Jeff Mercer; John Craig; Kevin Robertson; Lou-Ann Cornacchio; Melissa Joy; Natalie Plato; Peter Kusugak; Tat Ma; Tracey McCaie  
**Subject:** Re: Bear Island - Burning of untreated and unpainted wood

Hello Mark/Charlotte,

In regard to your amendment request for Land Use Permit #N2010X0005, issued for the Bear Island Mid-Canada Line Radar Station Remediation Project, the following consideration has been given.

As part of the remediation plan you have requested the permission to burn untreated and unpainted wood.

Land Use Permit #N2010X0005 states:

31 (1) (c) - Equipment

10. The Permittee shall use a forced-air fuel-fired incinerator to incinerate all combustible garbage and debris.
11. The Permittee shall burn all combustible garbage and debris in a container acceptable to a Land Use Inspector.

Your proposed ash collection system, which allows for the containment of ash is considered to be a container acceptable to the Land Use Inspector. Therefore, your amendment request has been granted to allow for the burning of untreated and unpainted wood only.

It is our understanding that you have agreed to sample ash, when it is found to be non-hazardous the materials will be disposed of in the on-site Non-Hazardous Waste Landfill as approved by Land Use Permit #N2010X0005. Any material found to be exceeding Tier II contaminated soil criteria will be packaged and shipped off site to an appropriate disposal facility.

This amendment may require approval from the Nunavut Water Board, therefore, please contact them at the following address for any approvals that you may require:

Nunavut Water Board  
P. O. Box 119  
Gjoa Haven, NU X0E 1J0  
Phone: (867) 360-6338 Fax: (867)360-6369

Thank you for bringing this amendment request forward in a timely manner.

Spencer Dewar  
Manager, Land Administration  
Nunavut Regional Office  
Indian and Northern Affairs  
Tel: (867) 975-4280  
Fax: (867) 975-4286  
E-mail: [spencer.dewar@inac-ainc.gc.ca](mailto:spencer.dewar@inac-ainc.gc.ca)

>>> Mark Yetman 6/28/2010 11:02 AM >>>  
Spencer,

Are we permitted to burn wood at Bear Island this summer? There is a lot of wood debris that is untreated and unpainted that we would like to burn. We would like to avoid placing this in our landfill as over the long term the wood will rot and have a negative impact on the integrity of our landfill. Shipping the wood off-site is a much more costly option and we do not have the budget to do this.

The Land Use Permit (#N2010X0005) contains a condition 31(1)(c) 11. that states:

" The Permittee shall burn all combustible garbage and debris in a container acceptable to al Land Use Inspector."

I asked Kevin Robertson about this and his interpretation was that all burning has to be done within the incinerator.

Is it possible for us to obtain permission to burn the wood in a fire pit or another acceptable container?

Thanks,  
Mark

Mark Yetman  
Project Manager, Contaminated Sites  
Indian & Northern Affairs Canada  
PO Box 2200  
Iqaluit NU X0A 0H0  
Phone: (867) 975-4733  
Fax: (867) 975-4736  
Cell: (867) 222-2014  
E-mail: [mark.yetman@inac-ainc.gc.ca](mailto:mark.yetman@inac-ainc.gc.ca)