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Sent via email:

**Re: Water Use License Application
Bernard Harbour PIN-C Contaminated Site Remediation Project, Kitikmeot, Nunavut**

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) is submitting the enclosed application for a Water Use License for the remediation of the PIN-C, Bernard Harbour Former Intermediate Distant Early Warning (DEW) Line site. The proposed project is the result of multiple years of assessment (1995-2022) and remediation activities that were completed at the site since its abandonment. The objective of the project is to demolish old buildings and structures, remove all remaining hazardous and non-hazardous debris, contaminated soil, and dispose of materials at offsite facilities. Some contaminated soil will also be treated on-site during the project.

CIRNAC has developed a remedial action plan (RAP) and proposes to commence on-site remedial activities in September 2025. The proposed work is detailed in the appended General Water License Application, Exploration/ Remote Camp Supplementary Questionnaire, and supporting documents. As there will be some on-site landfarming to treat a small volume of moderately petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soil, CIRNAC will be submitting a Supplemental Information form and supporting Contaminated Soil Treatment Plan at a later date. The information should be available in the next few weeks and will be forwarded once received from our contractor.

In order to support the site activities, CIRNAC also requires the license/permit to include permission to burn untreated and unpainted wood, and to operate a camp incinerator for organic waste and paper. Details are provided in the attached applications.

We trust that this and the information is satisfactory for your requirements. If you have any questions or comments, please contact the undersigned or the Project Manager, Peter G. Martin, P. Eng. at Peter.Martin4@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca, or by telephone at (867) 979-0085.

Sincerely

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List of Documents Submitted (Application & Supporting Documents)

APPLICATION:

1. Cover Letter of Application for Water Use License
2. Section 1 – General Water Use Licence Application Form
3. Section 2 – Exploration / Remote Camp Supplementary Questionnaire

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

1. Executive Summary PIN C Project (English version)
2. Executive Summary PIN C Project (Inuktitut version)
3. Executive Summary PIN C Project (Inuinnaqtun version)
4. PIN C Bernard Harbour Project Site Map – Overall Site Plan
5. PIN-C Remedial Action Plan (RAP)
6. PIN C Remediation Project Spill Contingency Plan - April 2025
7. PIN C BERNARD HARBOUR 2023-02-14 PIN-C Community Engagement Presentation
8. Kugluktuk Community Meeting - PIN-C Bernard Harbour Minutes 2023-02-28 - Rev1
9. PIN-C RAP Attendance Kugluktuk Community Meeting_28Feb2023
10. PIN-C Project Proposal Report-FINAL - Environmental Impact Assessment
11. Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) Determination (NPC Conformity Check) - NPC File No. 150257
12. Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) Screening Decision Report - 241220-24KN042-Screening Decision Report