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Attention: Manager of Licensing Nunavut Water Board P.O. Box 119 Gjoa Haven, NU XOB 1JO

Dear Licensing Manager,

Reference: Stantec Water Licence 1BR-BIR1314 – Annual Report and Request for Transfer

Stantec Consulting Ltd. (Stantec) applied for subject permit in support of a project to complete environmental site assessment (ESA) activities on Bathurst Is. and nearby Ile Vanier and Cameron Island, under contract with Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) who in turn is managing the project on behalf of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC). The initial plan for the summer 2013 field work included establishing a field camp on Ile Vanier. The field camp plan was abandoned on August 2, 2013 as a result of a negative report on the suitability of an unmaintained airstrip on Ile Vanier to support the landing of aircraft larger than Twin Otter. A field program was executed over the July 29 – August 24, 2013 timeframe, however it was conducted with Resolute Bay as the base of operations.

The primary intent of this letter is to provide the Annual Report for subject licence in accordance with its Part B General Conditions item #2:

- Summary report of Water use and Waste disposal activities:
 - o No water used, no waste disposed of
- A list of unauthorized discharges and a summary of follow-up actions taken:
 - No unauthorized discharges
- A description of all progressive and or final reclamation work undertaken, including photographic records of site conditions before, during and after completion of operations:
 - No field camp established
- A summary of all information requested and results of the Monitoring Program:
 - No water used or waste disposed of, no monitoring undertaken
- Any other details on Water use or Waste disposal requested by the Board by November 1 of the year being reported:
 - No requests received



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- The GPS coordinates and location(s) of camp(s) and airstrips, helicopter pads established:
 - o No camps, airstrips, or helicopter pads established

The Resolute Bay-based summer 2013 field program did include the temporary storage of drummed fuel at three locations within the project area. All drums were removed prior to completion of the field work and returned to Resolute Bay for proper storage/disposal as applicable.

#	Project Reference	Lat	Long	Quantity	Use Dates	Status
1	NB038-4 Panarctic	76.144 N	104.029 W	11 drums Jet B	4 – 23 Aug	All drums
	Hotspur Airstrip					removed
2	NB007 Young Inlet	76.3376 N	98.69517 W	3 drums Jet B	3 – 19 Aug	All drums
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3	J-34	75.55861 N	98.71667 W	6 drums Jet B	30 Jul – 19	All drums
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Although no camp was established during the 2013 field work, Stantec field staff noted the presence of fuel caches at numerous locations on all three islands – in particular, major caches that included full drums are present at both Sites #1 and #2 as listed above. Quantification and characterization of these caches formed part of Stantec's scope of work, and these details will be provided to PWGSC and AANDC within the project reports currently being prepared.

The secondary intent of this letter is to ascertain whether it would be practical to reassign subject permit to Stantec's client (PWGSC) for the remainder of its applicability (the current permit expiry date is August 31, 2014), in support of potential future work within the project area in 2014, should such work include any activities that would be subject to the licence conditions as established and not be undertaken by Stantec. We look forward to hearing back from you regarding the practicality of transferring subject permit to PWGSC.

Regards,

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