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RE: NWB5FRA – UMA Engineering Ltd. - 2003 Annual Report, PIN-3, Lady Franklin Point, NU
NWB5FRA – UMA Engineering Ltd. – Abandonment and Restoration Plan, PIN-3, Lady Franklin Point, NU

On behalf of Environment Canada (EC), I have reviewed the information submitted with the above-mentioned application. The following specialist advice has been provided pursuant to Environment Canada's mandated responsibilities for the enforcement of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*, Section 36(3) of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, and the *Species at Risk Act*.

The 2003 Annual report indicates that the sewage lagoon constructed in 2002 to support the construction camp did not retain the effluent discharged into the lagoon. Recognizing that camp closure is anticipated in 2004, EC requests information regarding how sewage was handled during the 2004 field season, as the lagoon was not operating properly. Additionally, EC requests information regarding the amount of sludge, if any, that has accumulated in the lagoon during the past two years of operation. If any sludge has accumulated, the abandonment and restoration plan should provide information regarding how this sludge will be managed and disposed of at closure.

If there are any changes in the proposed project, EC should be notified, as further review may be necessary. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments with regards to the foregoing at (867) 975-4639 or by email at colette.meloche@ec.gc.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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