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Your file *Votre référence*

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Our file *Notre référence*

NU-05-0046

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Via electronic mail to:

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Dear Ms. Beaulieu:

Subject: Proposed works or undertakings are not in or near fish habitat.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) received a proposal from you on August 8, 2005, concerning the construction and operation of a soil treatment landfarm by the Nunavut Government, Public Works and Services Department near Kugaaruk. To expedite future correspondence or inquiries, please refer to the following referral title and file number when you contact us.

Referral File No.: **05-HCAA-CA7-000-000046**

Habitat File No.: **NU-05-0046**

Referral Title: **Soil Treatment Landfarm, Kugaaruk**

It is our understanding that the proposal consists of:

- *Construction and operation of a two cell (soil treatment and water retention) land treatment farm approximately 1.5 km south-east of Kugaaruk, NU in 2004/05*
- *Farm operations are expected to last for approximately 6-9 years*
- *During operation the water in the retention cell will be sampled to meet appropriate criteria before being discharged to the surrounding natural drainage*

as outlined in the following plans:

- *Water License Application, Project Summary and Location Map*

If the above plans have changed at all, the advice in this letter may no longer apply and the proponent should consult with us to determine if further review is needed.

We have found that the proposed works are not in or near fish habitat and will not likely effect fish or fish habitat. No further review pursuant to the habitat protection provisions of the *Fisheries Act* is needed.

Please note that this letter of advice does not release the proponent from the responsibility to obtain any other federal (for example, the *Navigable Waters Protection Act*), territorial or municipal approvals. If the proponent has any questions concerning the above, or if my understanding of the proposal is either incorrect, incomplete, or if there are changes, they should contact me directly by telephone at (867) 979-8011, or by fax at (867) 979-8039.

Yours sincerely,

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