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**Re: Amendment/Renewal - Defence Construction Canada 1BR-LON0813 – FOX – 2
Longstaff Bluff**

Dear Phyllis Beaulieu:

Please be advised that Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) have completed a review of the submission for the licence amendment/renewal application 1BR-LON0813 submitted by Defence Construction Canada. The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") circulated the amendment/renewal application on August 19, 2013. All documents related to the request posted on the NWB ftp site under 1BR-LON0813 were included in my review (See attached Technical Review Memo).

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 975-4568 or by e-mail at Rory.MacDonald@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca

Regards,

Sent via Email

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Technical Review Memorandum

To: Phyllis Beaulieu – Manager of Licensing, Nunavut Water Board

From: Rory MacDonald – Water Resources Technician, AANDC

Existing Licence: 1BR-LON0813

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1. Project Description

FOX – 2, Longstaff Bluff is one of the Department of National Defence (DND) Distance Early Warning sites decommissioned for remediation and clean-up. FOX – 2 is 15km inland, located on southwestern Baffin Island approximately 250km west of Clyde River and 250km east of Igloolik.

The site was decommissioned in 1991 and remediation work was completed on site in 2011. DND in cooperation with Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated (NTI), developed a landfill monitoring plan to address post closure monitoring requirements for landfills at DEW Line Sites in Nunavut (pursuant to the *September 1, 1998 Department of National Defence – Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. Agreement for the Clean-up and Restoration of DEW Line Sites within the Nunavut Settlement Area*). Defence Construction Canada will be managing the clean-up and monitoring on behalf of DND. The objective of the program is to collect sufficient information to assess the performance of landfills from a geotechnical and environmental perspective. Program components consist of visual monitoring, soil monitoring, groundwater monitoring, and thermal monitoring.

The program schedule is a three (3) phased approach with monitoring occurring in years 1 through 5 in Phase I. The second phase monitoring schedule is years 7, 10, 15, and 25, with year 25 marking the end of Phase II monitoring. A re-evaluation of the monitoring program will be carried out during Phase III. The scope of Phase III has not been determined; however it is anticipated to be based on a 10 year monitoring interval.

A licence term of 23 years is being requested with water use limited throughout the licence term. No water will be used for domestic or construction purposes. Small quantities (approximately 1L) of water will be taken from existing monitoring wells to carry out the groundwater monitoring component of the program.

2. Results of Review and Recommendations

AANDC Water Resources Division offers the following comments/recommendations for the Board's consideration.

A. General

- AANDC finds the following application to be complete.
- The contact information for the "AANDC Water Resources Inspector" listed in Section 3.2 of the submitted Spill Contingency Plan is incorrect and should be replaced with the contact information for AANDC's Manager of Field Operations. The manager can be reached by telephone at (867) 975 4295 and fax at (867) 975 6445.



- AANDC notes that no annual report has been provided for 2012 to date. Part B, Item 1 – General Conditions of the water licence 1BR-LON0813 – requires the licensee to provide the Board with annual reports for each year of the appurtenant undertaking. AANDC recognizes that remediation was substantially completed in 2011 on site; however, it is recommended that the Proponent provide a report indicating what work, if any, has been conducted in 2012, as per licence conditions.