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NWB reference #1BR-LOR0813

Karén Kharatyan A/Manager of Licencing Nunavut Water Board Gjoa Haven, NU, X0E 1J0

Re: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Technical Review of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada Amendment Renewal Type B Application # 1BR-LOR0813

Dear Mr. Kharatyan,

Thank you for email received on January 11, 2017, from the Nunavut Water Board (NWB), concerning the above mentioned water licence application process.

A memorandum is provided for the consideration of the Nunavut Water Board. Comments have been provided pursuant to the Department's mandated responsibilities under the Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act and the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at 867-975-4568 or email at Lisa.Bachellier@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca for further comments or any questions.

Sincerely,

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Ian Parsons, A/Manager Water Resources, Nunavut Regional Office (NRO), C.C.: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) Erik Allen, Manager of Field Operations, NRO, INAC



Technical Memorandum

Re: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Technical Review of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada Amendment Renewal Type B Application # 1BR-LOR0813

Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada Applicant:

Amendment Renewal Application Type 'B' Water licence Project:

Region: Qikitani Region

A. BACKGROUND

On January 11, 2017 the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) provided notification to interested parties that Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada had submitted a Type "B" water amendment renewal licence application, # 1BR-LOR0813, for Cape Christian - Long Term Monitoring Program.

The applicant has submitted a new Type B water licence application for their planned activities.

The Cape Christian site is located 16km Northeast of Clyde River on the east coast of Baffin Island, the site was used historically as a former US Coast Guard Long Range Navigation communication station operated between 1954 and 1975.

The licensee's planned activities for the amendment renewal application is to amend the existing water licence so that long term monitoring can continue at Cape Christian until 2035.

Interested parties were asked to review the water licence renewal amendment application and provide technical comments by February 1, 2017.

B. RESULTS OF REVIEW

INAC Water Resource Division submits the following comments/recommendations to the Nunavut Water Board for consideration:

1. Abandonment and Restoration Plan

Source:

1. 1BR-LOR0813 Cape Christian Cleanup Abandonment and Restoration Plan dated 08-24-2009

Recommendation

INAC recommends the licensee submit a current updated Abandonment and Restoration plan for the long term monitoring plan for Cape Christian

2. Spill Contingency Plan

Source:

1. Health and Safety Plan Cape Christian Project dated June 2010

Recommendation

INAC recommends the licensee submit a current and updated Spill contingency plan for their activities for the long term monitoring plan for Cape Christian.

INAC is satisfied and confident that the Long term monitoring plan presented will be effective in determining whether the site remains stable or if site conditions are deteriorating. INAC has no other comments at this time.

Prepared by Lisa Bachellier