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Nunavut Regional Office
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NWB File: 1BR-PEE1116
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Re: 1BR-PEE1116 – Cape Peel Project – Site Specific Spill Contingency Plan – E Gruben Ltd - Contaminated Sites - Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada.

Please be advised that Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) has completed a review of the Site Specific Spill Contingency Plan for the Cape Peel Project prepared by E Gruben Ltd. on behalf of Contaminated Sites branch of AANDC for water license 1BR-PEE1116. The Nunavut Water Board (NWB) circulated the Site Specific Spill Contingency Plan for comments on March 20, 2012. All documents related to the application posted on the NWB ftp site under 1BR-PEE1116 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) 975-4282 or by email at Ian.Parsons@aandc.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Ian Parsons
Regional Coordinator

Cc. Murray Ball, Manager of Water Resources – Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada, Nunavut Regional Office



Technical Review Memorandum

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

From: Ian Parsons – Regional Coordinator, AANDC.

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Background

Cape Peel is a former Distant Early Warning (DEW) Line Site that was been selected for clean-up by the Federal Contaminated Sites Action Plan (FCSAP). It is situated in the Kitikmeot Region of Nunavut on the South Coast of Victoria Island. The nearest community of Cambridge Bay is located 80 Kilometres to the East.

Recommendations/Comments

The Site Specific Spill Contingency Plan for Cape Peel, Water License Number 1BR-PEE1116 is quite well done.

However AANDC has a few comments.

AANDC notes that the plan only states AANDC Manager of Field Operations Telephone Number. AANDC recommends adding the Fax number to the list of AANDC contact numbers. AANDC notes that the correct contact information for AANDC in the Spill Plan should be stated as follows: AANDC Manager of Field Operations, phone: 867-975-4295, fax 867 975-6445.

AANDC recommends that the licensee have their refueling stations and/or operations 30 meters away from any high water mark.

AANDC recommends that the licensee provide to the NWB a more detailed description on how to contain and clean-up spills that may occur on different substrates such as land (soil), snow and ice and water. AANDC recommends that the proponent provide specific mitigation and remediation techniques for each of the above mentioned substrates.



AANDC notes that the proponent has stated in their spill plan that they will handle and transport all hazardous wastes as per the applicable guidelines, AANDC however recommends that the proponent also have all the proper authorizations for the disposal of any type of waste (hazardous or non-hazardous) from the owner of any approved landfill facility to be used.

AANDC recommends that the applicant provide, to the NWB, the above referenced outstanding information pertaining to the application.

Cc. Murray Ball, Manager of Water Resources – AANDC, Nunavut Regional Office
Andrew Keim, A/Manager of Field Operations - AANDC, Nunavut Regional Office