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RE: NWB Technical Review of Annual Reports for the Resolute Bay Land Treatment Units Maintenance Project; Water Licence No. 1BR-RLF1520

Dear Ms. Barker:

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) has completed a technical review of the 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 Annual Report submissions provided to the Board as part of the Part B, Item 1 requirement of the Licence. Upon receipt, all submissions were provided to the Qikiqtani distribution list for information. No comments have been received to date.

The technical review of the above-mentioned submissions determined that the information provided generally addresses the requirements of current Water Licence.

However, the Board notes that the Licensee has not provided all the submissions previously required by the Licence:

## • Part J. Item 12:

The Licensee shall within ninety (90) days following issuance of the Licence submit to the Board for review and acceptance a **Quality Assurance/ Quality Control** (**QA/QC**) **Plan**. The Plan shall include up-to-date sampling methods based on applicable standards and other information relevant to sampling. The Plan shall also include a cover letter from an accredited laboratory referenced under Part J, Item 11, confirming approval of the Plan for the analyses to be performed under this Licence.

To date, the NWB has no record of receiving this information, which was due on November 17, 2015. The Board understands that some of the required information is included into the QA/QC

Section of the Environmental Monitoring Program Reports provided to the NWB on an annual basis. However, the Board would like to remind the Licensee that Part J, Item 12 requires a standalone QA/QC Plan that has to be approved by the NWB.

The Board would also like to remind the Licensee that the current Water Licence will expire on August 16, 2020. Therefore, a Licence Renewal process should be initiated at least three months prior to the expiration date, if the Licensee intends to continue working on the Project.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 (extension 29) or <a href="mailto:sergey.kuflevskiy@nwb-oen.ca">sergey.kuflevskiy@nwb-oen.ca</a>, at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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