

# UPDATED WATER LICENSE APPLICATION HYDROCARBON IMPACTED WATER TREATMENT

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# GENERAL WATER LICENCE APPLICATION (APPLICATION FOR NEW WATER LICENCE)

The applicant is referred to the NWB's Guide 4: <u>Guide to Completing and Submitting a Water Licence</u> <u>Application for a New Licence</u> for more information about this application form.

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	Is an Article 12 Part 4 screening determination required?				
To be o		forwarded to NIRB at the same time it was submitted			
	☐ Yes	□No			
	If Yes, indicate date issued and atta If No, provide written confirmation fr required.	och copy rom NIRB confirming that a screening determination is not			
9.	<b>DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKIN</b> proposal.	NG - List and attach plans and drawings or project			
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The trea	eatment unit and waste storage area a	are located within a fenced in area with a locking gate.			
A plan p	presenting the layout of the water trea	atment unit is attached.			
10.	<b>OPTIONS</b> – Provide a brief explar considered to carry out the project.	nation of the alternative methods or locations that were			
treated contain	d properly in Iqaluit, the parties res	ted by contact with petroleum hydrocarbons cannot be sponsible for generating the impacted water can only ed down south to authorized treatment facilities therefore are, who often are home owners.			
11.	CLASSIFICATION OF PRIMARY undertaking by checking one of the	<b>UNDERTAKING</b> - Indicate the primary classification of following boxes.			
	<ul> <li>☑ Industrial</li> <li>☐ Mining and Milling (includes exploin Conservation</li> <li>☐ Municipal (includes camps/lodges)</li> <li>☐ Power</li> </ul>	Agricultural oration/drilling/exploration camps)  s) Recreational Miscellaneous (describe below):			
;	See Schedule II of Northwest Territo	ries Waters Regulations for Description of Undertakings.			
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None o	☐ Hydrostatic Testing ☐ Tannery ☐ Tourist / Remote Camp ☐ Landfarm & On-Site Storage of Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soil ☐ Onshore Oil and Gas Exploration Drilling ☐ Mineral Exploration / Remote Camp ☐ Advanced Exploration ☐ Mine Development ☐ Municipal ☐ General Water Works ☐ Power  of the above are applicable
12.	WATER USE - Check the appropriate box(s) to indicate the type(s) of water use(s) being
	applied for.
	<ul> <li>□ To obtain water for camp/ municipal purposes</li> <li>□ To obtain water for industrial purposes</li> <li>□ To divert a watercourse</li> <li>□ To modify the bed or bank of a watercourse</li> <li>□ To alter the flow of, or store water</li> <li>□ Flood control</li> <li>☑ Other: _Collected to remove contamination and then discharge once cleaned_</li> </ul>
13.	QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF WATER INVOLVED - For each type of water use indicated in
	Block 12, provide the source of water, the quality of the water source and available capacity, the estimated quantity to be used in cubic meters per day, method of extraction, as well as
	the quantities and qualities of water to be returned to source.
	Name of water source(s) (show location(s) on map):
	Describe the quality of the water source(s) and the available capacity: N/A
	Provide the overall estimated quantity of water to be used: <u>Varies based on size of spill no more than 15 m³/day can be treated by our system in a 24 hour period</u>
	Provide the estimated quantity(s) of water to be used from each source:
	Indicate the estimated quantities to be used for each purpose (camp, drilling, etc.)
	Describe the method of extraction(s): <u>Collecting of snow using heavy equipment or shovels</u> or pumping of contact water from excavations or holding basins
	Estimated quantity(s) of water returned to source(s) m³/day
	Describe the quality of water(s) returned to source(s): Water will be treated to meet the discharge criteria that will be determined by the NWB and discharged at a location approved by the City of Iqaluit and other regulatory agencies having jurisdiction, no water will be returned to the source

14.	<b>WASTE</b> – Check the appropriate box deposited.	(s) to indicate the types of waste(s) generated and
	<ul> <li>☐ Sewage</li> <li>☑ Solid Waste</li> <li>☐ Hazardous</li> <li>☐ Bulky Items/Scrap Metal</li> <li>☐ Animal Waste</li> <li>☑ Other (describe): _Treated water test</li> </ul>	⊠ Waste oil     ☐ Greywater     ⊠ Sludges     ⊠ Contaminated soil and/or water  ted to respect discharge criteria

**15. QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF WASTE INVOLVED** – For each type of waste indicated in Block 14, describe its composition, quantity in cubic meters/day, method of treatment and method of disposal.

Type of Waste	Composition	Quantity Generated	Treatment Method	Disposal Method
Treated water	Water is tested to meet discharge criteria	Our treatment unit can only generate 15 m³ per 24 hour period	Oil/water separator, particulate filter, activated carbon filter & ultra sorption filter	Discharge on land 30 m from a water body in a location approved by Authorities Having Jurisdiction
Waste Petroleum, Oil, and Lubricants (POL) and Liquid Sludges	Hydrocarbons collected from the settling tank and oil/water separator	Varies depending on amount of contamination spilled. Maximum of 20,500 litres (100 drums) to be stored per year	regulations	Disposal/management according to regulations
Waste filter media (Solid Waste)	Ultrasorption (shredded absorbent), Granulated Activated Carbon and particulate filters	Varies depending on volume of water to be treated and level of contamination.  Maximum 6 yd <sup>3</sup> per year of each type of solid waste	Disposal according to regulations	Disposal/management according to regulations
Contaminated Water	Water with organic and/or metal contaminants	Varies depending on the amount of water collected from a particular site. Maximum of 2,000,000 litres per year can be processed.	Treatment in our Water Treatment Unit	Managed as per treated water above

**16. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS** – In addition to the sub-surface and surface land use authorizations provided in Block 6, indicate any other authorizations required in relation to the proposed undertaking. For each provide the following:

Authorization: Permission to discharge treated water from the City of Igaluit

Administering Agency: \_City of Iqaluit\_

Project Activity: \_Discharge of treated water\_

Date (expected date) of issuance: <u>One month following issue of licence by NWB</u> Date of expiry: \_\_Unknown\_\_\_\_\_

The City of Iqaluit is waiting for QE to have a valid water licence prior to issuing written permission to discharge treated water.

17. PREDICTED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF UNDERTAKING AND PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES - Describe direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts related to water and waste.

Removal of contaminated water from the environment will only have a positive impact to the environment.

The soil at the discharge location will be monitored yearly to ensure that our activities are not having a negative impact on them. If an increase of contamination over the criteria for the land use of the selected discharge location is detected, then the area will be remediated below these levels and the entire process will be re-examined to determine where the contamination came from.

#### 18. WATER RIGHTS OF EXISTING AND OTHER USERS OF WATER

Provide the names, addresses and nature of use for any known persons or properties that may be adversely affected by the proposed undertaking, including those that hold licences for water use in precedent to the application, domestic users, in-stream users, authorized waste depositors, owners of property, occupiers of property, and/or holders of outfitting concessions, registered trapline holders, and holders of other rights of a similar nature.

Advise the Board if compensation has been paid and/or agreement(s) for compensation have been reached with any existing or other users.

#### Not applicable

#### 19. INUIT WATER RIGHTS

Advise the Board of any substantial affect of the quality, quantity or flow of waters flowing through Inuit Owned Land (IOL), and advise the Board if negotiations have commenced or an agreement to pay compensation for any loss or damage has been reached with one or more Designated Inuit Organization (DIO).

It is not anticipated that the discharged water pass through any Inuit Owned Lands

**20. CONSULTATION** – Provide a summary of any consultation meetings including when the meetings were held, where and with whom. Include a list of concerns expressed and measures to address concerns.

There is a potential that the discharge location will be discussed with the city of Iqaluit at a council meeting. A summary of the discussions held during this meeting (if necessary) will be forwarded to the water board.

No other consultations were held

#### 21. SECURITY INFORMATION

Provide an estimate of the total financial security for final reclamation equal to the total outstanding reclamation liability for land and water combined sufficient to cover the highest liability over the life of the undertaking. Estimates of reclamation costs must be based on the cost of having the necessary reclamation work done by a third party contractor if the operator defaults. The estimate must also include contingency factors appropriate to the particular work to be undertaken.

Where applicable, the financial security assessment should be prepared in a manner consistent with the principals respecting mine site reclamation and implementation found in the *Mine Site Reclamation Policy for Nunavut*, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, 2002.

In case of abandonment for either bankruptcy, or major failure of the treatment unit, the unit will have to be dismantled and the filtering media will have to be containerized for offsite disposal in an authorized facility. Similarly, if impacted water that has not been treated remains, said water will have to be containerized for offsite shipping and disposal. The other component of the treatment facility (pumps, oil water separator, tanks) can be dismantled and sold or discarded in the landfill as non-hazardous waste. Soil at the discharge point would have to be sampled to ensure it meets the environmental guideline established by the Government of Nunavut's Department of Environment. Should there be impacted soils exceeding the guidelines, said soil will need to be excavated, containerized and ship to an authorized facility.

In a worst case scenario, we assume 30 000 liters of impacted water (the total volume capacity in place) may remain untreated, and 20 Tons of soils are impacted. It is estimated that the labour efforts to restore the site to its original condition, by dismantling the unit, packaging impacted media, packaging impacted water remaining, excavating and containerization of impacted soils, backfilling the excavated area, shipping all impacted material by marine sealift and disposal of all impacted material in authorized facilities to be about 2 weeks for a manager, a helper and the assistance of heavy equipment for excavation, and hauling of material to the barge landing in Iqaluit. The cost estimates for the final reclamation is estimated at \$79 340 for this worst case scenario (see attached spreadsheet).

QE can provide to the NWB a maintenance bond for the amount of \$80 000 to be renewed and maintained in place annually.

#### 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Provide a statement of financial responsibility. See attached for the audited financial statement

If the applicant is a business entity, provide a list of the officers of the company.

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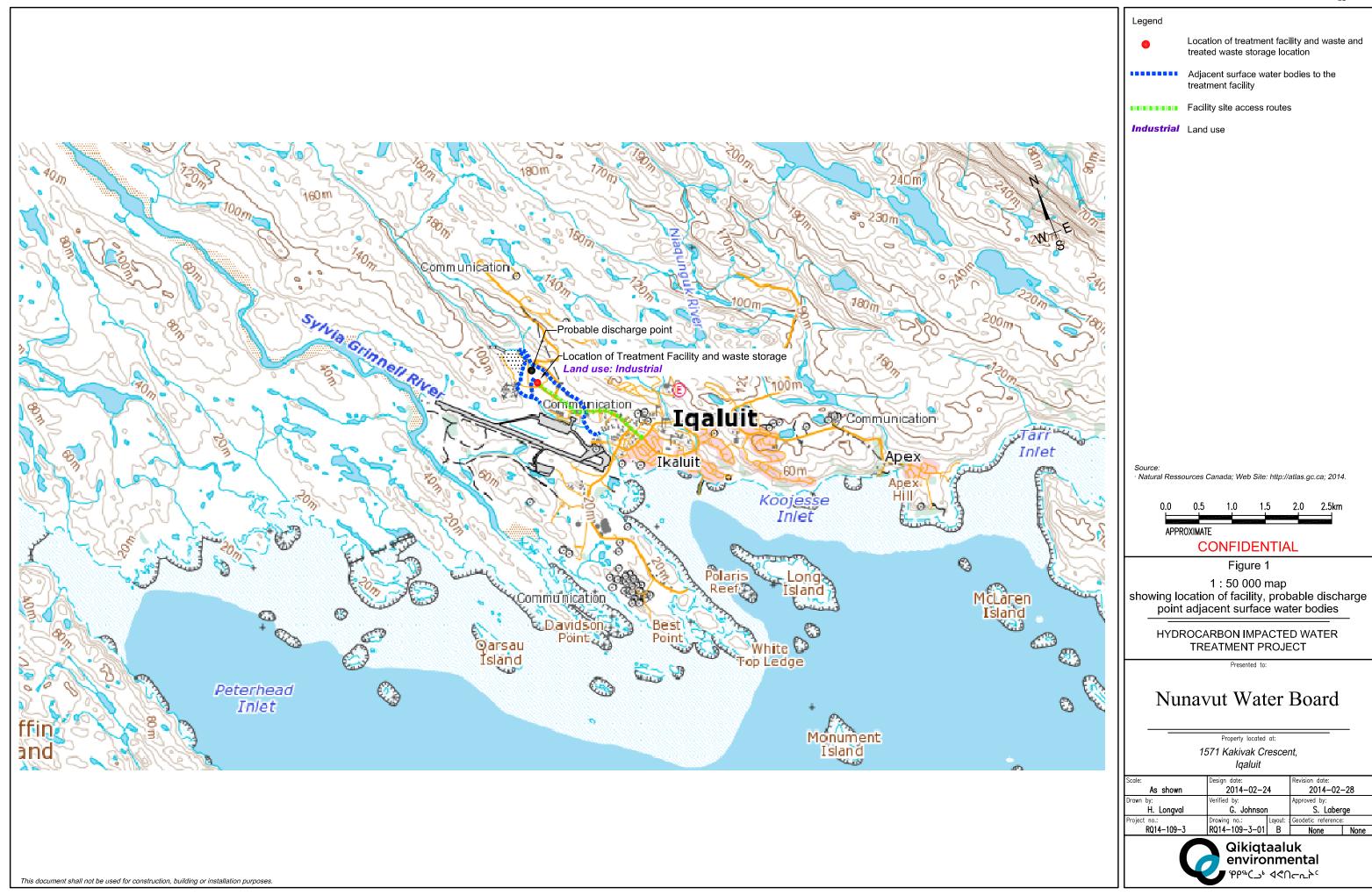
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	If the applicant is a business entity attach a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation or evidence registration of the company name.	of
See at	tached Certificate of Incorporation and Business License	
23.	STUDIES UNDERTAKEN TO DATE - List and attach copies of studies, reports, research, etc.	
No stu	dies have been undertaken related to this activity	
24.	<b>PROPOSED TIME SCHEDULE</b> – Indicate the proposed start and completion dates for ea applicable phase of development (construction, operation, closure, and post closure).	ach
	Construction Proposed Start Date: _August 2013 Proposed Completion Date: _May 2014 (month/year)	_
	Operation Proposed Start Date: _As soon as licence is obtained Proposed Completion Date: None (this value)  be permanent	will a
	(month/year)  Closure Proposed Start Date: N/A (month/year)  (month/year)  Proposed Completion Date: N/A (month/year)  (month/year)	_
	Post - Closure Proposed Start Date:N/A Proposed Completion Date:N/A (month/year)	
	For each applicable phase of development indicate which season(s) activities occur.	
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	Operation ☐ Winter ☑ Spring ☑ Summer ☑ Fall ☐ All season	
	Closure  ☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer ☐ Fall ☐ All season	
	Post - Closure Winter Spring Summer All season	
25.	PROPOSED TERM OF LICENCE	
	Number of years (maximum of 25 years): _25 years	
	Requested Date of Issuance: 05/2014 Requested Expiry Date: 10/2038 (month/year)	

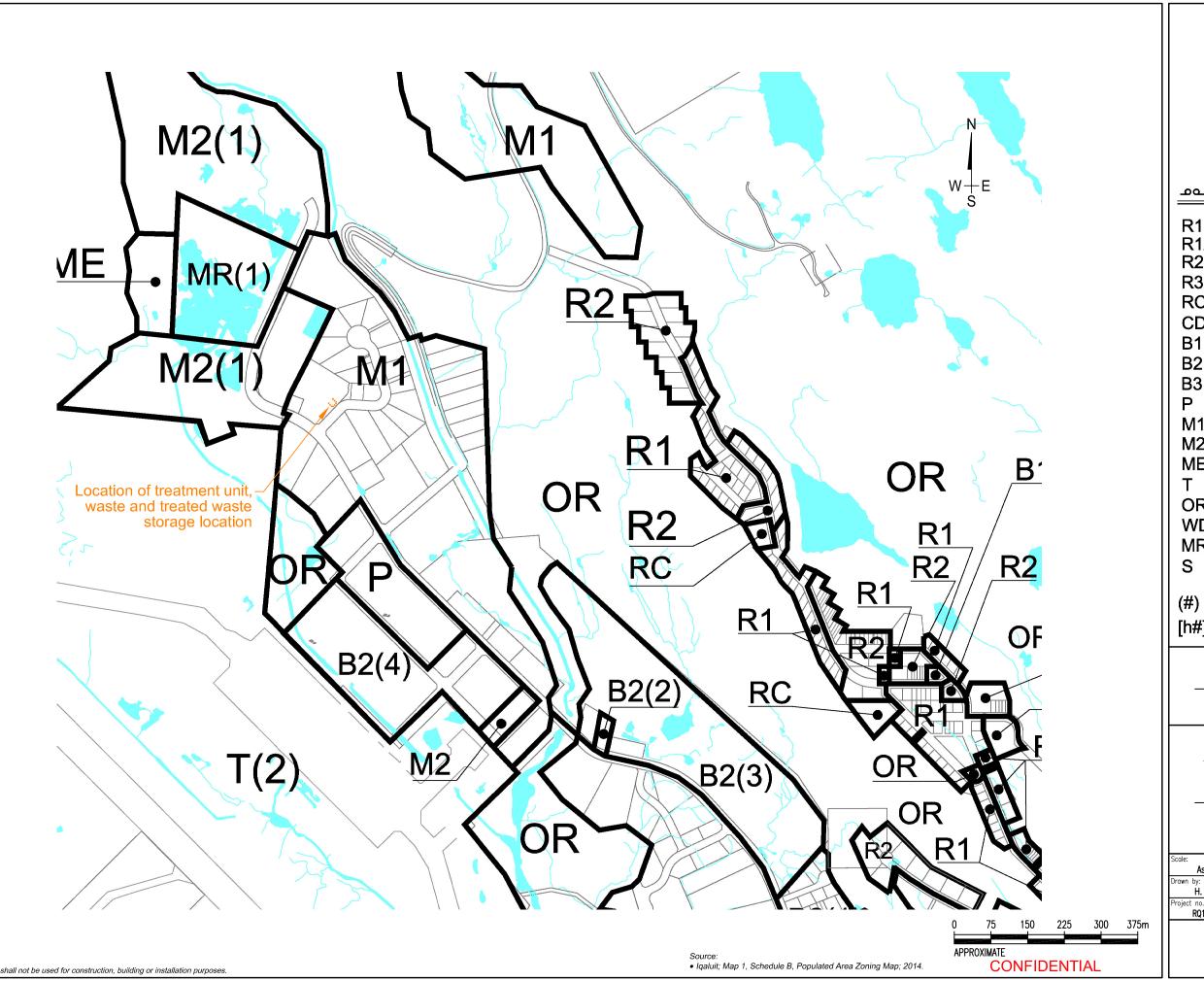
(The requested date of issuance must be <u>at least</u> three (3) months from the date of application for a type B water licence and <u>at least</u> one (1) year from the date of application for a type A water licence, to allow for processing of the water licence application. These timeframes are approximate and do not account for the time to complete any prelicensing land use planning or development impact requirements, time for the applicant to prepare and submit a water licence application in accordance with any project specific guidelines issued by the NWB, or the time for the applicant to respond to requests for additional information. See the NWB's *Guide 5*: <u>Processing Water Licence Applications</u> for more information)

26.	<b>ANNUAL REPORTING</b> – If not using the NWB's <u>Standardized Form for Annual Reporting</u> , provide details regarding the content of annual reports and a proposed outline or template of the annual report.
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27.	CHECKLIST – to begin.	The following must be	included with the application for the water licensing process		
		nation from the NPC co e been addressed.	onfirming that NPC's requirements regarding land use plan		
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		nation from the NIRB oment have been addres	confirming that NIRB's requirements regarding development sed.		
	Yes	⊠ No	If no, date expected _this application to be reviewed		
	Completed Ger	neral Water Licence Ap	plication form.		
	⊠ Yes	□No	If no, date expected		
	Information ad 11)	dressing Supplemental	Information Guideline (SIG) , where applicable (see Block		
	Yes	□No	If no, date expected		
	English Summa	ary of Application.			
	⊠ Yes	□No	If no, date expected		
	Inuktitut and/or	Inuinnaqtun Summary	of Application.		
	⊠ Yes	□No	If no, date expected		
	Application Fee	Application Fee of \$30.00 CDN (Payee Receiver General for Canada).			
	⊠Yes	□No	If no, date expected		
	use fee will be	calculated by the NW	N (Payee Receiver General for Canada). The actual water B based upon the amount of water authorized for use in e time of issuance of the licence.		
	⊠ Yes	☐ No	If no, date expected		

28. SIGNATURE			
Jacques Dion	Board Member & Vice President	Carguerti	March 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2014
Name (Print)	Title (Print)	Signature	Date





# **SCHEDULE B** POPULATED AREA ZONING MAP ZONING BY-LAW No. 704

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R3 High Density Residential Zone

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CD Capital District Zone

**B**1 Central Commercial Zone

District Commercial **B2** 

Neighbourhood Business Zone

Public / Institutional Zone

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Heavy Industrial Zone M2

Industrial Extractive Zone ME

Transportation Zone

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Figure 2

City of Iqaluit Zoning Map

HYDROCARBON IMPACTED WATER TREATMENT PROJECT

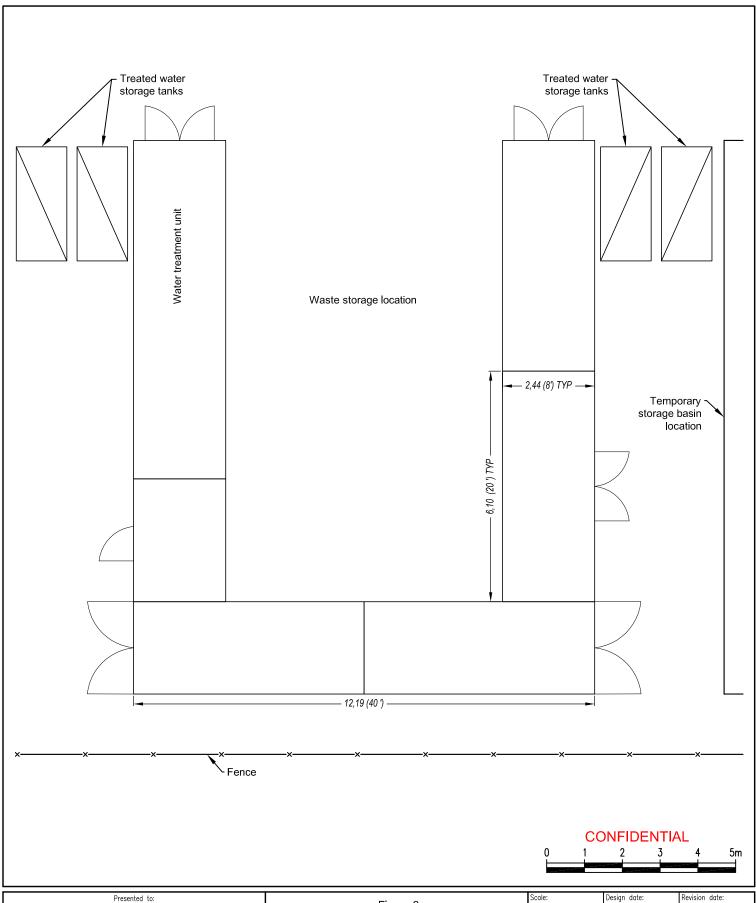
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1571 Kakivak Crescent, Igaluit

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Drawn by:	Verified by:		Approved by:			
H. Longval	G. Johnson	G. Johnson S. Le		ge		
Project no.:			Geodetic reference:			
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#### Design date: 2014-02-26 Figure 3 As shown 2014-02-28 Drawn by: H. Longval Approved by: S. Laberge Verified by: G. Johnson Nunavut Water Board Layout of treatment equipment and Project no.: RQ14-109-3 Drawing no.: RQ14-109-3-01 ayout: Geodetic reference: waste storage area Property located at: Qikiqtaaluk HYDROCARBON IMPACTED WATER 1571 Kakivak Crescent, environmental TREATMENT PROJECT Iqaluit

From: Christopher Tickner [ctickner@nunavut.ca]

**Sent:** July 26 2013 10:15 AM

To: Philippe Simon Cc: Brian Aglukark

**Subject:** RE: land use plan conformity determination

Good morning Mr. Simon,

#### Re: land use plan conformity determination

Thank you for your email.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has determined that the project proposal as described below is located outside the boundaries of the two approved land use plans currently administered by the NPC.

No further review is required by the NPC at this time.

Please ensure that any change in scope of the proposed project is forwarded to the NPC so as a determination can be made as to weather a conformity review is required.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Christopher

Christopher Tickner MCIP, RPP Senior Planner Nunavut Planning Commission P.O. Box 2101 Cambridge Bay, NU X0B 0C0 Phone: (867) 983-4634

Fax: (867) 983-4626 Website: www.nunavut.ca

From: Philippe Simon [mailto:psimon@sanexen.com]

**Sent:** July-25-13 9:12 AM **To:** Christopher Tickner

Subject: land use plan conformity determination

Hi Christopher,

The project for which we will be applying for a water licence is for:

The treatment of hydrocarbon contaminated water resulting from fuel spill (contact water) or from the cleaning of fuel tanks. The impacted water is collected in tanks and haul to a facility located in the industrial district of Iqaluit, and then pumped through various filters and treatment system prior to be containerize, tested, and discharge if it meet the proper parameters.

The coordinates for the project are:

NW: Latitude: (63 °46 '21 " N) Longitude: (68 °33 '34 " W)
NE: Latitude: (63 °44 '10 " N) Longitude: (68 °25 '20 " W)
SE: Latitude: (63 °43 '18 " N) Longitude: (68 °26 '26 " W)
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Regards,

Philippe Simon, P.Eng., Ph.D. Managing director

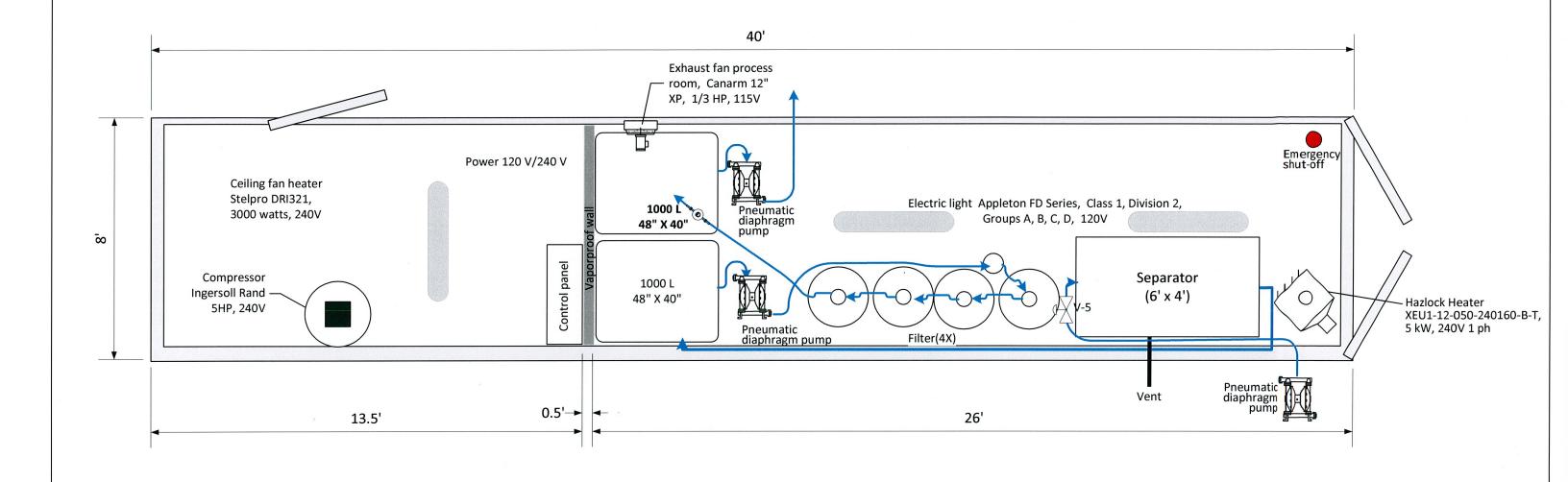


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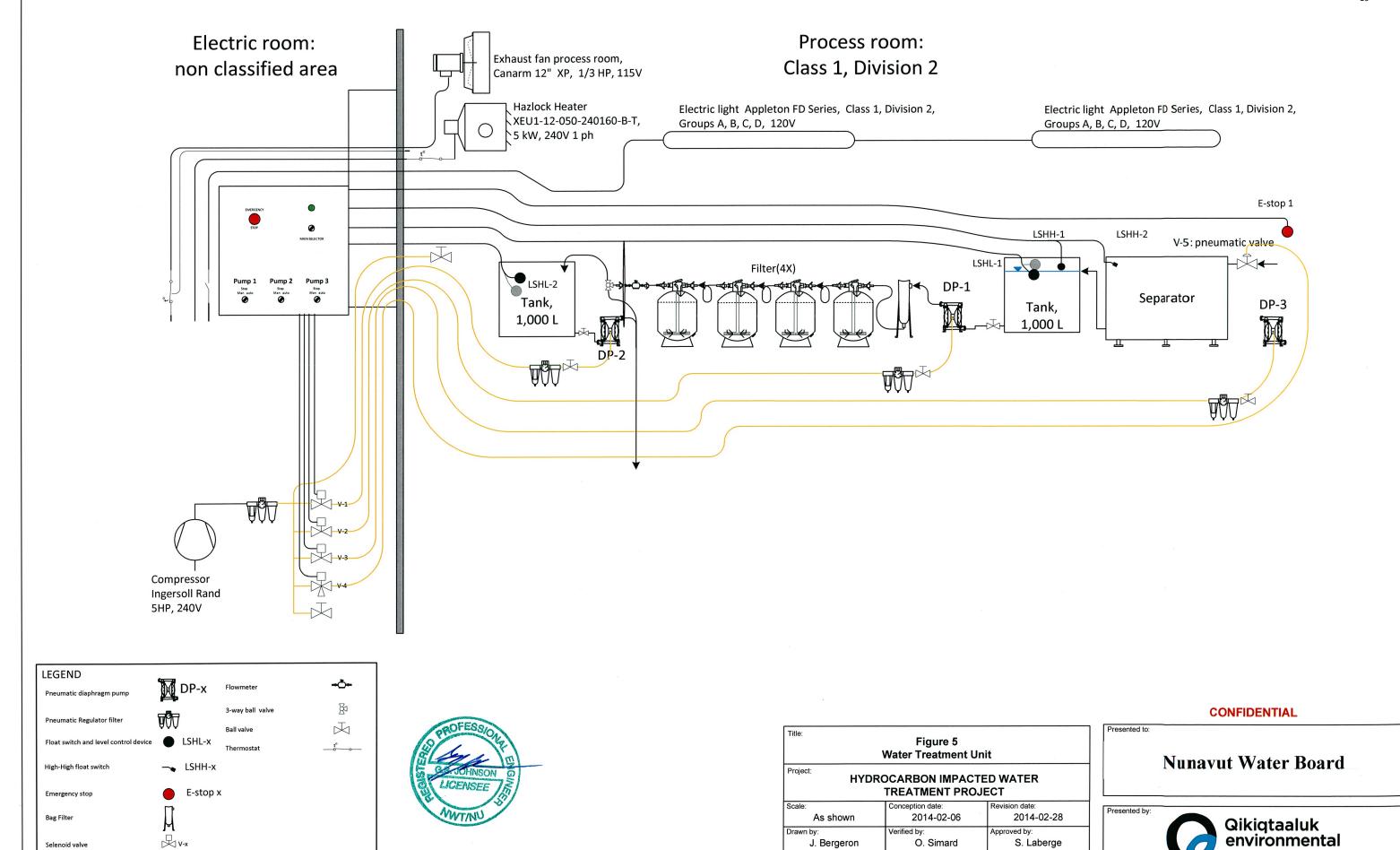
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Selenoid valve

3-way selenoid valve

# Hydrocarbon Impacted Water Treatment Cost Estimate in Case of Abandonment for Security

ltem	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total			
Cost to Manage 30,000 L of Impacted Water							
Container (tote tanks - 1200 liter) for shipping	30	each	\$450	\$13 500			
Marine shipping to Iqaluit	39	cu.m.	\$150	\$5 850			
Marine shipping from Iqaluit	39	cu.m.	\$120	\$4 680			
Handling from to harbor in Iqaluit - loader/truck	8	hrs	\$275	\$2 200			
Manager for coordination of impacted water transfer	2	days	\$720	\$1 440			
Labour assistance for transfer of impacted water	2	days	\$400	\$800			
Disposal of impacted water in an authorized facility	30000	liter	\$0.60	\$18 000			
Spill control supplies		lump sum		\$500			
			Subtotal	\$46 970			
Cost to Excavate and Containerize	e 20 Tons of	Soil at Discha	arge Point				
provision of soil containers	20	each	\$145	\$2 900			
Excavator	16	hrs	\$200	\$3 200			
Backhoe to move soil bags prior to shipping	8	hrs	\$150	\$1 200			
Manager to supervise and sample	3	days	\$720	\$2 160			
Labour to assist in soil containerisation	3	days	\$400	\$1 200			
Marine shipping of contaminated soil from Iqaluit	20	Tons	\$300	\$6 000			
Disposal of contaminated soil in an authorized facility	20	Tons	\$95	\$1 900			
Laboratory analysis for confirmatory sampling		lump sum		\$800			
Manager for reporting and coordination with authorities	3	days	\$720	\$2 160			
Gravel for backfilling excavated area	20	Tons	\$35	\$700			
			Subtotal	\$22 220			
Dismantling of t	he Treatmen	t Unit					
Provision of containers for impacted filtering media	5	each	\$145	\$725			
Manager for dismantling coordination	5	days	\$720	\$3 600			
Labour for assistance	5	days	\$400	\$2 000			
Electrician to disconnect power	4	hrs	\$125	\$500			
Loader to move non-hazardous dismantled parts to landfill	8	hrs	\$150	\$1 200			
Truck to bring non-hazardous dismantled parts to landfill	8	hrs	\$125	\$1 000			
Marine shipping of impacted filtering media	5	Tons	\$300	\$1 500			
Disposal of impacted filtering media in an authorized facility	5	Tons	\$425	\$2 125			
Spill control supplies		lump sum		\$500			
Credit for valued reselling of parts		lump sum		-\$3 000			
Subtotal							
Grand total for Abandonment in Worst Case Scenario							



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Certificate of Incorporation

Certificat de constitution

Canada Business Corporations Act Loi canadienne sur les sociétés par actions

QIKIQTAALUK ENVIRONMENTAL INC.

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Name of corporation-Dénomination de la société

Corporation number-Numéro de la société

I hereby certify that the above-named corporation, the articles of incorporation of which are attached, was incorporated under the Canada Business Corporations Act.

Je certifie que la société susmentionnée, dont les statuts constitutifs sont joints, a été constituée en société en vertu de la Loi canadienne sur les sociétés par actions.

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May 12, 2003 / le 12 mai 2003

Director - Directeur

Date of Incorporation - Date de constitution

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September 12, 2013

To: Phyllis Beaulieu
Manager of Licensing
Nunavut Water Board
P.O. Box 119

Gjoa Haven, Nu X0B 1J0

Tel: 867-360-6338, ext: 26 Fax: (867) 360-6369

RE: Water Licence Submittal Executive Summary

Ms. Beaulieu,

Qikiqtaaluk Environmental Inc. would like to have authorization to discharge treated water resulting from the operation of a hydrocarbon impacted water treatment unit in Iqaluit. This request results from a need arising from clients that have to manage impacted water and/or snow resulting from spills from storage tanks or water from tank washing.

#### **Description of the Undertaking**

The impacted water will be collected from the site of spills by being pumped into a reservoir and hauled to our facility in Iqaluit. The water will then be treated through an oil/water separator and particulate filters to remove free product and sediments. The water then passes through activated carbon filters and our patented ultrasorption filters to remove any organic chemicals in the water. The treated water will then be stored in clean reservoirs. The treated water in the reservoirs will be sampled and analysed in a CALA certified laboratory to see if it respects the discharge criteria determined by the Nunavut Water Board.

Once test results show that the treated water respects the concentrations above, the water will be discharged onto the land at a location to be determined in consultation with the city of Igaluit.

A soil sample will be collected 2 meters down slope of the discharge location prior to first discharge, and prior to the first discharge of every season, to ensure that the discharge location has not been contaminated by the discharge of the treated water.

#### Location of the Undertaking

City of Iqaluit, Nunavut

#### **Water Use**

Water contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons will be collected, treated and discharged once it meets criteria.

## **Quantity of Water Involved**

At most our treatment unit can only generate 15 m³ per 24 hour period if it is run continuously. Under normal operations QE will only operate the treatment unit 8 hours per day which will give a total volume of no more than 5 m³ per day. Water will be collected into reservoirs and composite samples will be collected for analysis. QE anticipates that we will discharge no more than 30 m³ within a 48 hour period when discharging water that meets criteria, as this is the maximum amount of water that we can store in our reservoirs at this time. Discharge will be done in such a way as to ensure that we are not having a negative impact on the discharge location and so that we will not cause any erosion to the land.

#### Waste

The waste generated by our activities will be:

- Petroleum Hydrocarbons from the contaminated water holding tanks and the oil/water separator, this material will be collected and disposed of according to regulations;
- Used filter media that will be shipped south for disposal; and,
- Treated water, which will be discharged at our discharge location.

#### Other Persons or Properties Affected by the Undertaking

The only parties that may be affected by this activity would be the land owners of the discharge location. Once a final discharge location is selected, written authorisation will be obtained from the landowner giving us approval for discharge. The city of Iqaluit has also been contacted to ensure that they are aware of our activities and that they have no objections. QE is not aware of any other parties that would be affected by our activities.

## Predicted Environmental Impacts of the Undertaking and Proposed Mitigation Measures

Since QE is removing contaminated water from the environment, this will only have a positive impact.

The only impact to the environment will be at the discharge location where treated water may have an impact on the soil at the discharge location. As mentioned above, this soil will be monitored yearly to see if any impacts are observed. If an increase of any of the parameters measured is found that rise above the criteria for the land use, then the soil will be immediately excavated and disposed of according to regulations. Should any of the parameters rise above the criteria; our treatment system will also be evaluated to ensure that the parameters that no longer meet criteria are being addressed during the treatment process.

## Water Rights

This water is collected from the properties of home owners, and or businesses who are owners or renters of the property. QE does not feel that the use of this water infringes on anyone's rights.

#### **Proposed Time Schedule**

QE would like to setup this treatment unit on a permanent basis in Iqaluit. Operation will start as soon as the water licence is obtained and will continue for many years. Should the treatment unit every be shut down then our abandonment and restoration plan will be put into place.

Please feel free to communicate with us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Greg Johnson, Director Qikiqtaaluk Environmental Inc.

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# SPILL CONTINGENCY PLAN HYDROCARBON IMPACTED WATER TREATMENT

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## 1. SPILL CONTINGENCY PLAN

#### 1.1 General

The spill emergency plan was developed to assist Qikiqtaaluk Environmental Inc. (QE) in implementing measures to protect the environment and minimize impacts from spill events. It provides precise instructions that all personnel shall be familiarized with during emergency situations. This plan outlines procedures for responding to spills in a way to minimize potential health and safety hazards, environmental damage, and clean-up costs.

The spill emergency plan ensures that QE will respect all applicable laws, regulations and requirements of federal and/or territorial authorities. QE will hold and comply with all required permits, approvals and authorizations required for the project. QE will work in close collaboration with all regulatory authorities to ensure full compliance according to applicable federal or territorial laws, regulations and/or guidelines. The following documents shall be used as spill containment guidelines:

- The Canadian Environmental Protection Act controls hazardous substances from their production and/or import, their consumption, storage and/or disposal;
- The Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act and Regulations describe safety measures in the transportation of dangerous goods. The act applies to all handling of dangerous goods by any means of transport whether or not the goods originate from or are destined for any place(s) in Canada;
- The Guidelines for Preparation of Hazardous Material Spill Contingency Plans describe
  parameters that should be considered in the development of hazardous material spill
  emergency plans. It also defines the information that should be incorporated into a
  comprehensive contingency plan;
- The Code of Practice for Used Oil Management defines appropriate environmental options for handling, storage, collection, recycling, transportation, reuse and/or disposal of used oils in Canada. It provides standard procedures to handle used oil generators. It also helps regulatory authorities to formulate provincial and/or regional strategies for used oil management;
- The Nunavut Environmental Protection Act governs the protection of the environment from contaminants. The act defines offenses and penalties as well as the powers of environmental inspectors;
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- The Nunavut Environmental Protection Act governs the protection of the environment from contaminants. The act defines offenses and penalties as well as the powers of environmental inspectors;

- The Nunavut Spill Contingency Planning and Reporting Regulations describe requirements for spill reporting and emergency planning;
- The Environmental Guideline for Industrial Waste Discharges, from the Government of Nunavut's Department of Sustainable Development provides water discharge criteria for many parameters.

# 1.2 Hazardous Liquids found Onsite And Storage Capacity

No fuel or any other hazardous liquids are used during the operation of the hydrocarbon impacted water system. Hydrocarbons may be recovered from the oil/water separator, and such waste oil will either be used with a waste oil furnace, or containerized for off-site disposal. The volume of waste oil to be managed from the treated system is variable and difficult to predict as it is dependent on the degree of impacted snow/water.

The industrial area in Iqaluit where the hydrocarbon impacted water treatment is installed has a permit from the Government of Nunavut to be an authorized hazardous waste transfer station. Therefore, QE already has spill response material, additional containers including tote tanks and overpack drums in stock, and can thus easily manage any waste oil generated by the treatment system.

All fuel storage containers will be situated in a manner that allows easy access and removal of containers in the event of leaks or spills. Large fuel caches in excess of 20 drums will be inspected daily. QE will manage the hazardous waste transfer station in Iqaluit and each fall will coordinate for the retrograde shipment through sealift of properly packaged and labelled hazardous waste to authorized disposal facilities located in the Montreal area.

12 Volt fuel pumps (and hand pumps) are to be used for fuel transfer operations with drums of waste oil.

# 1.3 Duties and Responsibilities

As part of the spill emergency response, QE is responsible for implementing, through its manager or its authorized representative, the following procedures.

#### 1.3.1 Waste Oil or Impacted Water Spill

- To communicate the spill event immediately to the GN official (immediately shall mean upon discovery);
- To authorize the use of personnel and applicable equipment to contain the spill using the most reliable method;
- To eliminate all fire hazards and potential ignition sources near the spill area;
- To implement all required safety and security procedures at the site of the spill;

- To eliminate the source of the spill or reduce the rate of discharge, if such procedures can be implemented with respect to health and safety requirements;
- To contain the spill using the most appropriate methods for the situation (dykes, ditches, sorbent materials, containment booms and other barriers);
- To evaluate the possibilities of recovering spilled chemicals;
- To mobilize all available personnel, equipment and tools, as required;
- To obtain assistance from GN (through its official), from the Hamlet and/or from Environment Canada, if required. To consult and, if required, request assistance from the Canadian Coast Guard and/or and Fisheries and Oceans Canada if the spill affects water:
- To obtain additional assistance by hiring northern residents from Iqaluit and/or specialized spill response firms, if required;
- To comply with all applicable guidelines and regulations;
- To assess, on a preliminary basis, environmental impacts on marine, freshwater and terrestrial wildlife and on the general ecosystem, to be communicated to relevant authorities;
- To provide documentation for all events and actions;
- To report the event to the GN Spill Report Line and to prepare and submit a written spill
  report using the appropriate form (see below for the list of information required for such
  submittals).

# 1.3.2 Other Duties and Responsibilities

As part of the spill emergency response, the Manager is responsible for the implementation of the following procedures:

- To ensure that appropriate resources required to respond and clean the spill are made available;
- To supervise containment, cleanup and remediation operations;
- To provide documentation for all events and actions, using the Spill Report Form found at the end of this section;
- To notify relevant government authorities.

Otherwise, QE will ensure that each selected shipment company has prepared the contingency plans (emergency response plans {ERP}) required to face spill events, and that they comply with all applicable regulations. The shipping company will be responsible to register their ERP, if required, with the Director General of the Transport of Dangerous Goods Directorate if materials identified for transport exceed volumes listed in Schedule XII of the TDG regulations. The ERP shall contain information on the nature of risks from dangerous goods and contact names and numbers for emergency assistance.

If a spill of hazardous materials exceeds the volumes listed in Part 9, Table I of the TDG regulations during transport, the shipment company authorities must immediately notify the relevant authorities using the contact lists defined in Table II of the same regulations. The shipment authority must also inform his/her employer, the owner of the transport vehicle, and the dangerous goods owner. The shipment authority's employer will then be required to submit a written report to the TDG Director General within 30 days following the spill event.

The Contractor will ensure that the selected shipment company reports all spill events using the appropriate spill response line. Quantities of substances which represent "a spill" are listed in Schedule B of the NWT Spill Contingency and Reporting Regulation.

If a spill occurs on water during shipment of material, the shipment company will be responsible to deploy containment booms and recover as much fuel as possible with required and available equipment.

# 1.4 Training and Drills

All personnel onsite shall be informed that any spill of fuel and/or hazardous liquids or solids, whatever the extent, must be reported immediately to the manager or his authorized representative.

These persons shall also be aware that defensive actions and techniques employed will depend on a variety of factors. These include, but are not limited to:

- Type of pollutant;
- Degree of loss;
- Topography of the nearby area;
- Proximity to water.

Also, they should be aware that the most common pollution incident potentially occurring for this project will probably be caused by fuel, oil or other hazardous fluid spills onto land or water resulting from:

- Human error during transfer operations of fuel from the oil/water separator to the container;
- Leaks from fittings or valves;
- Collapse of a hydrocarbon impacted water container.

Finally, the spill containment team shall be aware that, if a spill occurs, the protection of human health and safety shall be a priority. Even if emergency procedures are attempted to rapidly clean, contain and dispose of released contaminants to minimize further environmental impact, human exposure during a spill event is to be considered as a real concern and be prevented.

# 1.5 Material and Equipment

In order to prevent spills and provide an appropriate response in case of spill events, QE maintains appropriate equipment and material required onsite. A list of spill prevention and spill containment equipment including protective clothing is presented below. Spill kits have a capacity of 630 L (see www.quatrex.ca - item Spill kit Q Ultra 75)

# 1.5.1 Spill Prevention

The materials and equipment used for spill prevention are essentially related to temporary fuel tank inspection, and temporary containment basin construction:

Quantity	Description	
1	Roll of HDPE geomembrane for lining bermed areas and fuel transfer areas;	

# 1.5.2 Spill Containment

The material and equipment available onsite to be used for spill containment and emergency response including protective clothing are:

Quantity	Description		
5	Containerized spill kits having 10 sorbent booms, 2 safety glasses. 2 Nitrile gloves, bails of 100 sorbent sheets		
10	38" x 144' Rolls of sorbent sheets		
5	100 metre long / 8 inch diameter oil sorbent booms		
1	Vacuum suction hose/tank installed on a trailer		
2	1 ½" x 25 ft oil hose c/w cam lock fittings		
2	2" x 25 ft oil hose c/w cam lock fittings		
10	Emergency eye wash station c/w saline solution		
1	Caterpillar bulldozer (D6)		
1	Caterpillar excavators (320CL)		
1	Caterpillar excavator (322BL)		
1	Caterpillar integrated tool carrier (IT38G) c/w snow/gravel bucket, 4 ft adjustable forks, material handling arm		
1	Caterpillar Wheeled Loader (950G) c/w snow/gravel bucket, 4 ft fixed forks		
8	spade nose shovels		
1	Electric fuel pump - stationary 115 V, approx. 15 USGAL/min, explosion proof switch, water sediment filter – is it still on site?		
100	Saranek & Tyvek suits		

# 1.6 Spill Response Procedures

Following a spill event, specific procedures shall be implemented by the person who first noticed the emergency situation. These procedures are as follows:

- Immediately warn other personnel working near the spill area;
- Evacuate the area if health and safety are judged to be threatened;
- If not, take appropriate measures to stop, contain and identify the nature of the spill;
- Report all relevant information concerning the spill event to QE's manager, such as the
  type and volume of contaminant, the location and approximate size of the spill, the
  actions already taken to stop and contain the spill and all other observations including
  the presence of wildlife and meteorological conditions.

The spill cleanup approaches shall be discussed with the GN. The GN will communicate with Environment Canada. The selected methods shall be based on criteria where the impacts on human health and safety, wildlife, land, water and other environmental parameters are minimized.

To manage a spill incident, some emergency clean-up guidelines shall be followed by the Contractor when applicable. These incorporate some of the material previously described and include:

- Sorbent materials will be used to contain waste oil spills and/or to minimize its movement;
- Appropriate protective clothing and other safety devices will be used to handle spilled materials:
- When the spill occurs on land, dykes may be constructed to limit the spill movement providing granular material is sufficiently available. Snow dikes covered with an impermeable liner may also be used if snow still remains. Otherwise, containment booms will be installed in front of the plume and secured to make sure these sorbent barriers do not become saturated;
- Any free product settled in ditches, trenches or any other ground cavities will be removed using equipment such as pumps, buckets or skimmers. Recovered fluids will be temporarily stored in appropriate containers;
- Any spill areas will be cleaned to an extent where land, water and other disturbed environmental systems are remediated and the site is left as close as possible to its original state.

# 1.7 Reporting Requirements

Spills will immediately be reported using the 24 Hour Spill Report Line (867) 920-8130 (NWT). Immediately shall mean upon discovery. Failure to report spills can lead to fines. A written spill report will then be prepared by the Contractor with the assistance of the Engineer and submitted to the GN and the Spill Report Line supervisor (see end of this section). This report will include:

- Date and time of the incident:
- Location or map coordinates and direction of spill movement if not at steady-state;
- Party responsible for the spill;
- Type and estimated quantities of spilled contaminant(s);
- Specific cause of the incident;
- Status of the spill indicating if spilled materials are still moving or now at steady-state;
- Approximate surface of contaminated area;
- Factors affecting spill or recovery such as temperature, wind, etc.;
- Status on containment actions indicating whether:
  - naturally;
  - booms, dykes or other, or
  - no containment has been implemented;
- Corrective action taken or proposed to clean, contain or dispose of spilled material;
- Whether assistance is required and in what form;
- Whether the spill poses a hazard to persons or property (i.e., fire, drinking water);
- Comments and recommendations;
- Name, position and employer of the person reporting the spill;
- Name, position department of the person to whom the spill is reported.

Apart from reporting requirements, QE, through its manager, may require special assistance. These could be implemented for the following reasons:

 If assistance and coordination are required for spill response, Environment Canada (Nunavut Office) and the Department of Environment of the Government of Nunavut can be contacted at:

a.	Environment Canada	(867) 975-4644
b.	Environment Canada (24-hour emergencies)	(867) 920-5131
C.	INAC Water Resources Inspector	(867) 975-4289
d.	GN Department of Environment	(867) 975-7700
e.	GN DOE, Manager of Pollution Control	(867) 975-7748

2. If medical assistance and coordination are required when injuries occur during spill incident/spill response and/or critical incident stress is observed after an event, the Baffin Regional Hospital (general enquiries) shall be contacted at:

a. Baffin Regional Hospital

(867) 979-7300

3. QE's manager and/or project managers can be reached at:

a. Greg Johnson(Manager)

1-866-634-6367

514-717-7604 (24 hr)

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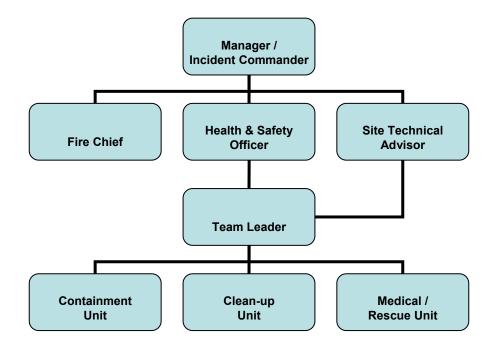
b. Olivier Simard (resident Manager in Iqaluit as of April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014)

1-866-634-6367 (before April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014)

(867) 222-8194 (after April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014)

# 1.8 Spill Report Form

The Nunavut Spill Report Form is found hereafter.



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#### 2. INTRODUCTION

Qikiqtaaluk wishes to obtain a Water Licence to operate a treatment system in Iqaluit to manage and treat hydrocarbon impacted water encountered during spill cleanup and fuel tank cleanup. When spills occur while snow is still present, impacted snow and ice has to be containerized, properly stored until the impacted snow has melted and only then it can be treated prior to discharge. Snow and water during spills must be properly managed and removed from the environment to minimize additional impacts to the soils.

#### 3. ABANDONMENT AND REMEDIATION PLAN OBJECTIVES

The general abandonment and remediation goals of this A&R Plan are to:

- Ensure the long-term physical and chemical stability of the project area(s) so as to protect the public's health and safety;
- Enhance natural recovery of the disturbed area(s) to a state that is compatible with original conditions to allow for future use by people and wildlife;
- Ensure that the requirement for long-term maintenance and monitoring is minimized.

This A&R Plan is written to address all project-related activities.

#### 4. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

An application for the Water Licence was submitted for activities to be implemented as soon as the License is granted considering the treatment system is already functional in Iqaluit. The system is operated by electricity; petroleum products that will be recovered are either recovered to be burnt in a waste oil furnace or placed in drums, labelled and shipped to an authorized disposal facility down south, near the Montreal area. The treated water will be tested, and once it meets the discharge parameters, the water will be transported and discharged into a specific and preapproved discharge location.

#### 5. FINAL ABANDONMENT

Should QE's treatment system no longer be functional or should QE decide to cease those activities and/or to withdraw from this market, the system will be dismantled and disposed of. Any treatment filters that may be impacted by hydrocarbons will be containerized and shipped down south for disposal in authorized facilities. If any untreated water remains once the activities are ceased, it will be transferred into drums, and shipped down south for disposal in authorized facilities. For final abandonment, the soils at the treated water discharge point location will be sampled and if any contaminated soils are present, they will be excavated, containerized and shipped down south for disposal to an authorized facility.

#### 6. MONITORING

Once activities conducted under the requested Water Licence are abandoned, water will no longer be managed or handled and therefore monitoring shall also cease.