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Sent via email: licensing@nwb-oen.ca

**Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada Review of
Proponent Response to Intervener Comments on Hamlet of Pangnirtung
Duval River Crossing Water Licence Renewal Application, Water Licence No.
1BW-DUV1520**

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

Thank you for the September 28, 2020, invitation to review the proponent's responses to intervener comments on the Hamlet of Pangnirtung Duval River Crossing Water Licence Renewal Application, for the Type "B" Water Licence No. 1BW-DUV1520. Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) provided review comments for the Nunavut Water Board's review on September 18, 2020. The Government of Nunavut Department of Community and Government Services (CGS) provided responses to CIRNAC comments within the original CIRNAC Technical Memorandum.

CIRNAC examined the responses and its attachment pursuant to CIRNAC's mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Act*.

CIRNAC finds that the responses address the concerns raised by CIRNAC, and is satisfied with the commitments made by CGS. These commitments are as follows:

1. Provide updated Spill Contingency Plan within six (6) months of licence renewal;
2. Provide updated Abandonment and Restoration Plan within six (6) months of licence renewal; and
3. Provide 2020 Monitoring Results with the 2020 Annual Report.



As part of the response to CIRNAC recommendation number (R-01), CGS notes that the recommendations provided by DFO were intended for construction machinery. While CIRNAC acknowledges that CGS and the Hamlet of Pangnirtung do not intend to drive heavy machinery over the river crossing, many of the DFO recommendations can still be applied to small vehicle traffic. CIRNAC maintains the recommendation that the updated Spill Contingency Plan include mitigation measures for:

1. The prevention of erosion and sedimentation, entrance of deleterious substances into the waterway, and disturbance of banks;
2. Ongoing restoration of banks, if disturbed; and
3. Use of only clean rock for rip rap.

CIRNAC intends to review the updated management plans when they become available.

If you have any questions or require further information with respect to this matter, please contact me at (867) 975-4282 or email bridget.campbell@canada.ca, or Godwin Okonkwo at (867) 975-4550 or godwin.okonkwo@canada.ca.

Regards,

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