

Water Resources Division Nunavut Regional Office Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0

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Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licensing Nunavut Water Board PO Box 119 Gjoa Haven, NU X0A 1J0

Re: 3BC-LEP – Landscape Evolution Paleoecology Project – Dr. Natalia Rybczynski

Please be advised that Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) has completed a review of the above noted new water licence application.

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB) distributed the application for comment on April 22, 2010.

In conducting this review, I have referred to all documents on the Nunavut Water Board FTP site as it relates to 3BC-LEP. Attached is a Technical Review Memorandum for your consideration.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or comments. I can be reached at (867) 975-4566 or by email at tanya.trenholm@inac.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Tanya Trenholm Pollution Policy Specialist

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Technical Review Memorandum

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

From: Tanya Trenholm, Pollution Policy Specialist - Indian and Northern Affairs Canada – Water Resources Division

Re: 3BC-LEP – New Water License – Landscape Evolution Paleoecology Project – Dr. Natalia Rybczynski

Existing Water Licence #: Not applicable

Recommendations / Comments

Spill Contingency Plan:

The Spill Plan should be amended to include the following information, as per the Nunavut Contingency Planning and Spill Reporting Guidelines.

- The correct contact information for the INAC Water Resources Division is (867) 975-4550
- The correct title for "INAC Field Operations Directorate" (i.e. not INAC Environment and Contaminants).
- A copy of the NU Spill Report form
- Appropriate/applicable MSDS sheets

Conclusions:

INAC has no issues with an issuance of a water licence for this project, so long as the spill contingency plan is amended to account for the above noted comments and water licence terms and conditions typically assigned to applications of this nature are imposed by the NWB.

Please feel free to contact me at your convenience should you wish to further discuss any part of this submission to the Board. I can be reached at 867-975-4566 or via email, tanya.trenholm@inac.gc.ca.

Cc. Lou-Ann Cornacchio, Manager, Water Resources Division – Indian and Northern Affairs Canada;