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Re: NWB 3BC-TUN – University of Manitoba – Tungatsivvik Project – New Type "B" Water License

On behalf of Environment Canada (EC), I have reviewed the information submitted with the above-mentioned application. The following specialist advice has been provided pursuant to the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*, Section 36(3) of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, and the *Species at Risk Act*.

Anne Hamilton, of the Department of Anthropology at the University of Manitoba, has applied for a Land Use Permit to conduct archaeological excavations at the Tungatsivvik site, Peterhead Inlet, Nunavut. Field personnel will be transported to the project area will be via boat and will remain in the field in temporary field camps from July 31 to August 26, 2009. After excavation, disturbed soils will be backfilled, re-contoured to the natural terrain, and re-sodded.

Based on the information presented at this time, EC has no real concerns with the issuance of this water license. Comments and recommendations submitted for the project on July 8, 2009 in response to the INAC Application for Land Use Permit, would apply to this water license application (please see attached).

If there are any changes in the proposed project, EC should be notified, as further review may be necessary. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments with regards to the foregoing at (867) 975-4631 or by email at carrie.spavor@ec.gc.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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