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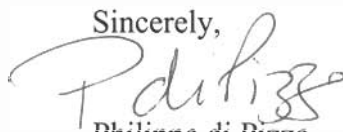
Hugh R. Wilson
Manager, Environmental Affairs
Hope Bay Joint Venture
311 West First Street
North Vancouver, BC V7M 1B5

RE: NWB License No. NWB1BOS0106- AMENDMENT No.1

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Please find attached Amendment No. 1 to Licence No. NWB1BOS0106 issued (**Motion #: 2001-49**) by the Nunavut Water Board pursuant to its authority under Article 13 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*. The terms and conditions of the attached amendment are an integral part of this approval.

The NWB in consultation with HBJV agreed that for administrative ease NWB4WEI0002 would be cancelled and Licence No. NWB1BOS0106 would be amended to include the appropriate terms and conditions related to the operation and removal of a V-notch weir at the Boston site to record the outflow from Stickleback Lake.

Sincerely,

Philippe di Pizzo
Executive Director

Enclosure: Amendment No. 1 NWB1BOS0106

cc: P.Smith, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
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LICENCE NWB1BOS0106 AMENDMENT No. 1

Licensee:	Hope Bay Joint Venture
Licence No:	NWB1BOS0106
Effective Date:	April 2, 2002

Pursuant to its authority under Article 13 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*, the Nunavut Water Board hereby grants the following Licence Amendment to Hope Bay Joint Venture for the operation and removal of a V-notch weir used to record the outflow from Stickleback Lake in support of the Boston project. Approximate location of weir: Latitude: 67°39' Longitude: 106°22'

The Licence issued on October 5, 2001 shall be amended to include the following terms and conditions:

PART J: CONDITIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION

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5. The following measures will be taken during the construction/operation/removal of the v-notch weir at the outflow to Stickleback Lake, to minimize disturbance to the creek channel and receiving waters:
 - i. Timing of weir removal is to be done during the low flow period.
 - ii. Storage of all extraneous sand bags and scrap materials away from the watercourse during the duration of the weir operation.
 - iii. At the end of the flow data collection period, the cross section of the creek channel shall be restored as close as possible to original conditions.
 - iv. Removal of naturally occurring material from the bed or bank of the creek below the ordinary high water mark is prohibited.
 - v. All sites affected by the placement or removal of the weir shall be stabilized and suitable erosion control measures shall be implemented to minimize sedimentation into the creek.
 - vi. Emplacement of the sandbag material shall be done such that the stream channel is not significantly obstructed during the spring freshet.
 - vii. Materials used shall be clean and contaminant free.
 - viii. The deposition of debris or sediment into any water body is prohibited. These materials shall be disposed of above the high water mark in such a fashion that they do not enter the water.
 - ix. Stream flow shall not be altered in any way as a result of the operation.
 - x. Storage of material on the surface ice of streams or lakes except that which is for immediate use is prohibited.

Note: As required in Part B, Item 7 (i) the licensee shall submit in an Annual Report “updates or revisions to the approved Abandonment and Reclamation Plan”. The Board herein requests that such revision include consideration for the removal of the v-notch weir and reclamation of the site.

All terms and conditions of the Licence issued on October 5, 2002 still apply.

This Licence Amendment issued and recorded at Gjoa Haven on March 5, 2002.

Approved by,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "P di Pizzo", written over a horizontal line.

Philippe di Pizzo
Executive Director