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Dear Richard,

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I've been directed to contact you by personnel at Polar Continental Shelf, whom I hope will be able to provide logistic support for expedition work I am planning in Nunavut for June-July, 2012.

Our scientific goals can be met through the use of small (4-6 person) mountaineering-style camps. For 2012, I plan 3 camp locations at remote locations on western Axel Heiberg and northernmost Ellesmere Island. All sites are on Crown Land. At no site will there be more than 100-person days.

Our camps are extremely low impact. Our water use is restricted to the collection of drinking and cooking water (all camp cleaning is done distant from bodies of water).

Given these parameters, are there any water licensing issues with my activities? If not, is it possible to get a formal exemption, or acknowledgement, that I can pass on to others reviewing whether I comply with all permitting requirements?

Sincerely,

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