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3BC-AMD1212

Phyllis Beaulieu
Licencing Administrator
Nunavut Water Board
Gjoa Haven, NU, X0E 1J0

Re: 3BC-AMD1212 – Analogue Mission to Discover the Genesis of Methane on Mars – Dr. Gordon Osinski, University of Western Ontario – Qikiqtani Region – Licence Cancellation

Dear Ms. Beaulieu,

Thank you for your email on July 10, 2013, concerning the above mentioned water licence application.

A memorandum is provided for the Board's consideration. Comments have been provided pursuant to the Department's mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act*.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at 867-975-4566 or email at Bradley.Summerfield@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca for further comments or any questions.

Sincerely,

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Memorandum

TO	Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licencing Nunavut Water Board	AANDC reference CIDM# 703603 NWB reference 3BC-AMD1212
FROM	Bradley Summerfield Water Resources Technician Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada	DATE August 8, 2013

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A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On July 10, 2013 the Nunavut Water Board provided notification to Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) that Dr. Gordon Osinski, on behalf of the University of Western Ontario had submitted an application for a Type B Water Licence Cancellation, No. 3BC-AMD1212. The submitted information is as follows:

1. Water Licence Cancellation Application form, dated April 11, 2013.
2. Administration Fee Covering Letter, dated April 12, 2013.
3. Receipt of Administration Fee Only Cheque, dated June 7, 2013.
4. AANDC correspondence on Closure, various dates.

The approved Water Licence was issued on May 2, 2012 with the water to be used exclusively for camp purposes while the team of researchers carried out their study. The Application for Water Licence Cancellation was received from the licensee on April 11, 2013.

Interested parties were requested to review the information and provide comments by August 10, 2013.



B. RESULTS OF REVIEW

On behalf of AANDC, the following comments/recommendations are submitted to the Nunavut Water Board for consideration:

1. Application for Water Licence Cancellation Form

- AANDC finds the cancellation application complete and recommends that the above referenced licence not be cancelled/closed until a Water Resource Officer completes an on-site inspection and provides confirmation that no compliance issues are associated and/or remain outstanding with the project.

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