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June 24, 2010

Richard Dwver **Nunavut Water Board** P.O. Box 119 Gjoa Haven, Nunavut XOB 1JO

Re: Nunavut Water Board -3BC-NTC Licence Type B, Northeast Thelon Compilation (C. Jefferson, Canada, NRCan-GSC)

Date due: June 10, 2010

Dear Richard Dwyer

The Department of Culture, Language, Elders' and Youth (CLEY) has reviewed the documentation for the new application of Charlie Jefferson, Geological Survey of Canada, for waste water disposal and general uses associated with multi-year base camp and flying operations for its geomapping.

The department does not object to the application. However, the department is concerned about the relatively elaborate base camp and fuel cache facilities. The plan described 12 fly-camp areas and six fuel caches within a specified area. In general, the fly-camp areas contain archaeological sites. However, there is a significant clustering of known archaeological sites within both the 'W2' and 'W4' fly-camp areas. The proponent must appreciate that it is their responsibility to ensure that no heritage resources are directly or indirectly altered from their current state in the course of, or the result of, their activities.

All archaeological and palaeontological sites in Nunavut are protected by law. Should any site be encountered, the proponent must contact the Department of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth.

Sincerely,

Edward Atkinson, for

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