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Via email: dewars@inac-ainc.gc.ca

Dear Spencer,

Re: Water License Applications: 1BR-TAL, 3BM-REP0409 and 3BM-WHA0207

Thank you for your letter of July 20, 2007, regarding the above-noted water license applications. The Nunavut Water Board (Board or NWB) agrees with your letter and accordingly proposes that the Board will continue its review of the above-noted license applications.

To facilitate the review, the Board supports Indian and Northern Affairs Canada's (INAC) recommendation to the applicants that they submit information on the current status of the activities/infrastructure referred to in their original applications as soon as possible. By copy of this letter, the Board requests the applicants advise the Board by August 17, 2007 of their intention to submit such information and if so, the date the information is to be submitted.

The Board also requests that INAC make available to the Board inspection reports relevant to these applications. In this regard, the Board notes that its approval of any application, if granted, will not retroactively authorize non-compliance with the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*.

More generally, the Board agrees that raising awareness and educating proponents, including municipalities, on the regulatory requirements in Nunavut is best achieved through the consolidated effort of all involved. Accordingly, the Board proposes a joint NWB, INAC, Government of Nunavut, and Nunavut Association of Municipalities meeting to improve awareness and education of the water and waste regulatory requirements in Nunavut and discuss how the regulatory process fits with the capital planning for water and waste infrastructure.

I will contact you later in the month to discuss proceeding with the joint meeting. In the interim, the Board looks forward to receiving updated submissions from the applicants and related INAC inspection reports.

Regards,



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