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Sent via Email: licensing@nwb-oen.ca; derek.donald@nwb-oen.ca

Re: 2019 Annual Report Review; Hope Bay Project, TMAC Clarification on LC-50 Tests

Dear Mr. Donald,

On October 8, 2020, TMAC Resources Inc. (TMAC) received from the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) correspondence indicating the NWB has completed the technical review of the 2019 Annual Report for the Water Licences No(s): 2AM-DOH1335, 2AM-BOS1835, 2BE-HOP1222, 2BB-MAE1727, and 2BB-BOS1727.

The correspondence included a summary of the items identified during the review that pertain to the NWB's mandate and require follow up. One of the items listed (ID: 'R-02') states: "TMAC is committed to the use of an Arctic species in future LC50 tests, rather than relying on rainbow trout".

TMAC would like to clarify for the NWB's benefit that this commitment has *not* been made to the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA). Fish species used in LC-50 tests are based on approved industry-wide laboratory procedures and standards that each laboratory must abide by, and TMAC has no control over these testing protocols.

TMAC will consider referrals from the KIA for any commercially available and economically achievable LC-50 test service providers, which use an arctic species and meet testing standards.

I hope this helps clarify this item. Should you have any further questions please feel free to contact me at oliver.curran@tmacresources.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Oliver Curran".

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