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> Your file - Votre référence 2AM-WTP1826

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2AM-WTP1826 Design Report Arsenic WTP AEM Response to Comments Re:

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

Thank you for your email message, received on December 21, 2018, requesting CIRNAC to confirm by January 7, 2019, on whether AEM's response addresses CIRNAC's comments, submitted to the NWB on December 14, 2018, on the 2AM-WTP1826 Design Report Arsenic Water Treatment Plant

CIRNAC acknowledges AEM's prompt response and considers that CIRNAC's comments, except comment #3, have been addressed by AEM. Therefore, CIRNAC recommends that the design report be updated to include or incorporate the appropriate information provided by AEM in its response package.

With regard to AEM's response to CIRNAC's comment #3, CIRNAC reiterates and reminds AEM that Part D Item 1 of Water Licence No: 2AM-WTP1826 requires that "the Licensee shall submit to the Board for review, at least sixty (60) days prior to Construction, final design and construction drawings accompanied, with a detailed report." AEM confirmed that it started construction on the Arsenic Water Treatment Plant on the 5th of November 2018; as the 2AM-WTP1826 Design Report Arsenic WTP was circulated to interested parties on the 29th of November 2018 - this would constitute an instance of non-compliance with the terms and conditions of its Water Licence and will be recorded by inspections. As CIRNAC's other comments are resolved, a stop construction due to non-compliance is not required at this time.

CIRNAC appreciates the opportunity to participate in this review and looks forward to working closely with AEM and the NWB. If you have any questions or require any further information with respect to this matter, please contact me at (867) 975-4555 or email david.zhong@canada.ca, or lan Parsons at (867) 222-9278 or email ian.parsons@canada.ca.

Regards,

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