

Application for Access to Inuit Owned Lands

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY - BOSTON

Miramar Hope Bay Ltd.

Executive Summary

Miramar Hope Bay Ltd. (MHBL), is applying for a Solid Waste Disposal Facility to be located at the Boston site. MHBL sees this application as an extension of land use activities currently covered under existing licences, namely KTL399C029 and Water Licence NWB1BOS0106.

The approval for a Solid Waste Disposal Facility at the Boston site is seen to be a critical component for the continued long-term activities planned for the Hope Bay Project area. The Solid Waste Disposal Facility will be located and operated giving full consideration to the Consultants report entitled "Assessment Report on Solid Waste Disposal Site at the Hope Bay Joint Venture Boston Project" prepared for KIA Lands Division by Bryant Environmental Consultants and dated August 21, 2001.

It is the intention of MHBL to follow the recommendations in the above mentioned report and operate the facility in accordance with sound waste management practices. Disposal of inert waste will include scrap metal, tires, incinerator ash, plastics, crushed fuel drums that have had all fuel residues completely removed, glass, concrete and wood. No hazardous materials will be placed in the solid waste disposal facility.

Consistent with your consultants report, material will initially be placed in the area previously known as the south settling pond. Once this area has been filled, the area will be covered with crushed material. As the south pond is approaching the full stage, an adjacent cell will be constructed with existing stockpiled material, which will enable continued disposal of solid waste material generated in the project area. During construction of the new cell, MHBL will strive to follow the recommendations in the consultants report and as built drawings will be submitted to KIA after the construction of the new area is completed

Once again, the approval of this application is critical to the long-term advanced exploration activities anticipated in the Hope Bay project area. The earliest possible approval would be appreciated.