File No. NWB2MEA9899

August 5, 1999

by fax: 604-608-2559

Mr. Kerry M. Curtis Cumberland Resources Ltd. #906 - 595 Howe Street Vancouver, B. C., V6C 2T5

RE: Amendment to Permit No: NWB2MEA9899

Dear Mr. Curtis:

I am pleased to send to you Amendment No. 2 to Permit NWB2MEA9899 duly approved by the Nunavut Water Board pursuant to its authority under Article 13 of the Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada.

Any communication or correspondence with respect to this Permit shall be made in writing to the attention of Mr. Philippe di Pizzo, Executive Director of the Nunavut Water Board, at the address indicated above.

The original permit issued on June 30, 1998 is due to expire on December 31,1999. The NWB recommends that an application for renewal be filed as soon as possible.

We trust everything will be to your satisfaction.

Sincerely,

Philippe di Pizzo Executive Director

Enclosure: Amendment No.2 for NWB2MEA9899

NIRB Screening Decision, Guidelines for Spills and A&R (via mail)

Cc. S. Pagotto, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Kivalliq Inuit Association Nunavut Impact Review Board Nunavut Planning Commission

PERMIT AMENDMENT No. 2

Permittee: Cumberland Resources Ltd.

Permit No: NWB2MEA9899 Effective Date: August 5, 1999

Pursuant to its authority under Article 13 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*, the Nunavut Water Board hereby grants the following Permit Amendment to allow for trenching at the Meadowbank project.

The existing permit shall be amended to include the following terms and conditions:

2. CONDITIONS FOR THE USE AND PROTECTION OF WATER:

- 10. The Permittee shall not do anything that will cause erosion of the banks of any body of water on or adjacent to the land and shall provide necessary controls to prevent such erosion.
- 11. The Permittee shall not remove any material from below the ordinary high water mark of any waterbody.

3. CONDITIONS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF WASTE:

- 8. The Permittee shall ensure that all solid wastes/hazardous wastes generated through the course of the operation are backhauled and disposed of in an approved dumpsite.
- 9. The Permittee may only excavate and stockpile in areas designated.

4. CONDITIONS FOR CAMPS AND ACCESS INFRASTRUCTURES:

10. The Permittee shall not use any equipment except of the type, size and number listed in the accepted application.

5. CONDITIONS FOR THE USE AND STORAGE OF FUEL, CHEMICALS AND

ADDITIVES:

- 7. The Permittee shall submit to the Board for approval within two (2) months of issuance of this permit a Spill Contingency Plan in accordance with the "Guidelines for Contingency Planning, January 1987". If not approved by the Board, the Contingency Plan shall be revised and resubmitted within two (2) months after receiving notification by the Board.
- 8. The Permittee shall construct an impermeable dyke around each stationary fuel container or group of stationary fuel containers where one container has the capacity exceeding 4,000 litres.
- 9. The Permittee shall seal all containers outlets except that outlet currently in use.
- 10. The Permittee shall mark all fuel containers with the Permittee's name.
- 11. The Permittee shall dispose of all combustible waste petroleum products by incineration and removal from the site.

6. CONDITIONS FOR ABANDONMENT AND RESTORATION:

4. The Permittee shall submit to the Board for approval within one (1) month of issuance of this permit an Abandonment and Restoration Plan. The Plan shall be in accordance with the "Guidelines for Abandonment and Restoration Planning for Mines in the Northwest Territories, September, 1990". A detailed cost estimate of the cost for final reclamation shall be included. The Board may assess the need for security deposit in light of Abandonment and Restoration activities.

9. CONDITIONS APPLYING TO TRENCHING:

- 1. The Permittee shall not establish any trenches or stockpiles within thirty (30) metres of the normal high water mark of a water body.
- 2. The Permittee shall ensure that any waste and wastewater is disposed of in a properly constructed sump or an appropriate natural depression that does not drain into a waterbody.
 - 3. The Permittee shall ensure that the sump/depression capacity is sufficient to accommodate the volume of waste water.
- 4. The Permittee shall not locate any sump within thirty (30) metres of the normal high water mark of any water body.
- 5. The Permittee shall not use mechanized clearing within thirty (30) metres of the normal high water mark of a watercourse in order to maintain a vegetative mat for bank

stabilization.

- 6. The Permittee shall use berms (with burlap screens placed around them) to prevent run off water accumulated from the trenching program from entering any water bodies.
- 7. Any waste water collected in the trenched sumps shall be tested prior to discharge and analysed for the following:

Total Suspended Solids
Total Arsenic
Total Cadmium
Total Ammonia
Total Chromium
Total Copper
Total Cobalt
Total Iron
Total Manganese
Total Nickel
Total Lead
Total Zinc
pH

The results shall be provided to the Board sixty (60) days following sampling and shall include an estimate of volumes discharged.

All terms and conditions of the original permit issued on June 30, 1998 and Amendment No. 1 effective June 25, 1999 still apply.

This Permit Amendment issued and recorded at Gjoa Haven on August 5, 1999.

Approved by,

Philippe di Pizzo
Executive Director