File No. NWB2MEL

June 26, 1998

Mr. Joe Ahmad Executive Director Nunavut Impact Review Board Cambridge Bay, NT XOE OCO

Subject: Meliadine West Project - Request for Screening

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Dear Mr. Ahmad,

The Nunavut Water Board received an application for a licence dated June 19, 1998 from WMC International Ltd. for an underground exploration program in the Meliadine Lake area near Rankin Inlet, NT.

In accordance with Articles 12 and 13 of the Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, this project shall be screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board to determine whether it has significant impact potential, and whether it require's review, before the application can be processed by the Nunavut Water Board. I would appreciate if you could inform me of your deadline to complete your determination so that we may formally advise the applicant and the public accordingly.

Sincerely,

David Porter Licence Administrator

cc. WMC International Ltd.