File No.: **2BE-GEO1520** 

2BE-GOO1520 2BE-MLL1722 2BC-BRP1819

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RE: NWB Technical Review of 2018 Annual Reports for Water Licences Nos.:

2BE-GEO1520, George Lake Property, Back River Project;

2BE-GOO1520, Goose Lake, Back River Project; 2BE-MLL1722, Wishbone-Malley Project; and

2BC-BRP1819, Development Works - Back River Project.

Dear Mr. Pickard:

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) has completed a technical review of the 2018 Annual Report submissions for above stated water licences.

On April 1, 2019, the NWB acknowledged receipt of Annual Reports for water licences and additional associated information and made them available to the Kitikmeot distribution list for information. No comments have been received to date.

The technical review of the Annual Reports for above stated water licences determined that the information provided addresses the requirements of respective water licences.

The NWB strongly recommends that the Licensee address all operational deficiencies identified in 2018 by the Inspector<sup>1</sup>. Please provide a brief summary of completed work associated with

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC or known currently as Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) Inspection Report, October 10, 2018

concerns listed in the inspection report as part of the renewal application package for the Water Licence No. 2BE-GEO1520.

The Board notes that Annual Report submission for Water Licence No. **2BE-GOO1520** (Licence) included an updated Abandonment and Restoration Plan (Plan). The technical review of updated Plan found that the additional/updated information addresses the requirements of the above stated Licence.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Sergey Kuflevskiy, at (867) 360-6338 (extension 29), at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Sergey Kuflevskiy Nunavut Water Board, Technical Advisor

Enclosure: Comments – INAC (or known currently as CIRNAC)

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