Water Resources Division Resource Management Directorate Nunavut Regional Office P.O. Box 100 Igaluit, NU, X0A 0H0

June 22, 2018

Your file - Votre référence 2BC-BRP1819

Our file - Notre référence CIDM# 1221781

Richard Dwyer Manager of Licencing Nunavut Water Board P.O. Box 119 Gjoa Haven, NU, X0B 1J0

Re: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada's Support of the Kitikmeot Inuit Association holding security for water licence 2BC-BRP1819 instead of the Minister for water licence 2BC-BRP1819

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) has considered and agrees with the Kitikmeot Inuit Association's (KitIA) request of April 12, 2018 to hold the reclamation security as identified under Water Licence 2BC-BRP1819.

CIRNAC recognizes that the activities proposed under Water Licence 2BC-BRP1819 are on Inuit Owned Land and therefore it is appropriate in this instance that KitlA hold the required security.

Currently, the Water License requires that the amount of \$1,485,663 be furnished by Sabina to be held by the Minister of CIRNAC. To avoid a situation of double bonding, CIRNAC would support the Nunavut Water Board amending the Water License 2BC-BRP1819 to remove the requirements that the proponent furnish and maintain security with the Minister and allow Sabina to post security directly with the KitlA.

If the Water Board agrees to amend the Water Licence, CIRNAC would request that KitlA and Sabina give notice to all interested parties once security has been furnished.

Please advise on the Nunavut Water Board's process to consider this request.



f there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at (819) 953-8988 or by e-mail at lan.Parsons@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

Ian Parsons Manager, Water Resources