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Via electronic mail to:
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Re: NWB2BRO0405 - 2004 Annual Report

On behalf of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), I would like to thank the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for the opportunity to provide comments on the 2004 Annual Report for the exploration site on Brodeur Peninsula, Baffin Island. The report presented was prepared by Kennecott Canada Exploration Inc. (the Licensee), as per the requirements of Part B.1 of water licence NWB2BRO0405 (the current licence).

A review of the 2004 report was conducted by Water Resources. The report appears to be complete, as it adequately fulfills the requirements of the licence (Part B.1). Although each condition was addressed, there are several sections where additional information may be requested, if deemed necessary by the NWB. The following comments are offered:

1. Section 5.3 of the annual report gives all co-ordinates where wastes associated with industrial operations are deposited. The license requires that all wastes be deposited at least (30)m from any high water mark in the area, such that they do not enter any water body. INAC suggests attaining confirmation of this stipulation, enabling the NWB to assess whether or not the deposits are in accordance with the water licence conditions. A recent map of the exploration site, with marked waste deposits, may suffice.
2. Revisions to the spill contingency plan are to be included in the report as per Part B.1.3 of the above mentioned licence. The proponent has given contact information to attain the changes made to their plan. It is suggested that they actually submit the changes within the report in the future so that the plan is documented and readily available for review.

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call.

Best regards,

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