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**By Electronic Mail**

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Dear Ms. Ikkutisluk:

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Re: Water Licence 2BE-COP1416

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This letter is in follow-up to a letter regarding water licence 2BE-COP1416 submitted by INAC-Water Resources to the Nunavut Water Board on November 7, 2016.

Tundra Copper Corp.'s ("Tundra") Hope Lake Camp is located 68 kilometers southwest of the Hamlet of Kugluktuk (formerly Coppermine) and is situated adjacent to the Hope Lake airstrip constructed in the 1960's. The coordinates are as follows

**Projection:** Latitude/Longitude (ddd.ddd)  
**Datum:** WGS84  
**Latitude:** 67.4295  
**Longitude:** -116.4106  
**NTS Map:** 86N08  
**Region:** Kitikmeot

No field geological field programs were undertaken on the Coppermine Project in 2016. On August 13, 2016 a field inspection was conducted by Resource Management Officer ("RMO") Baba Pedersen. Officer Pedersen issued his field report on September 7, 2016 and identified maintenance issues requiring attention.

Following receipt of this inspection report Tundra contracted Private Sky Aviation ("PSA") to undertake maintenance and remediate portions of the Hope Lake Camp. The PSA crew arrived on September 29<sup>th</sup> and spent three days working at the Camp. The work was completed on October 1, 2016. Tundra's main objective for this site was to winterize the camp and prevent further damage to the fuel containment caches and to inventory the remaining materials for demobilization.

On November 7, 2016 INAC Water Resources technician Lisa Bachellier submitted a letter to the Nunavut Water Board with comments about the Hope Lake Camp. At the time this letter was

written the applicable maintenance/remediation was already complete. The following sections list the pertinent inspection comments and the applicable remediation effort undertaken.

- Inspection Comment 1:** *“The Camp Site is In-Active, some of the Structures have Wind/Weather/Animal Damage”*
- Remediation 1 :** All tent frames were dismantled, piled at two separate locations and burn in a controlled burn. Burn consisted of woody materials and did not generate any sizable amount of waste aside from metal nails.
- Inspection Comment 2::** *“Fuel Caches have signs of internal Fuel/Grease Spills and the secondary containment is failing.”*
- Remediation 2:** All fuel and grease spills were properly cleaned up and the secondary containment was reconditioned and winterized.
- Inspection Comment 3::** *“The airfield fuel cache/staging area is also in-active and is in a very messy state. The secondary containment is failing and is almost half full of contaminated looking water with obvious signs of fuel and grease spillage inside.”*
- Remediation 3:** Drums and equipment were tidied up and the fuel containment was reinforced. The fuel cache was then covered with a tarp to prevent further water accumulation.
- Inspection Comment 4:** *“Secondary containment sumps in the camp area are to be removed and there are 4 separate secondary containment/sumps that will be required to be reclaimed properly and the 2 Secondary Containment areas at the Camp and 1 Secondary Containment area at the Airfield will all need to be emptied and cleaned when the ground is not frozen.”*
- Remediation 4:** A total of four sumps in the camp were reclaimed;
- a) Kitchen sump 1
  - b) Kitchen sump 2
  - c) Dry sump 1
  - d) Helicopter refuelling berm.
- Note:** There was snow cover when the crew visited however the ground was not yet frozen.

## Activities 2017

Tundra Copper recognizes that further remediation will need to be undertaken in 2017 and is planning on conducting this operation when weather and logistics permit. Tundra plans on removing all fuel liabilities in 2017. At present all exploration work on this project has been halted due to uncertainty about designations in the draft Nunavut Land Use plan. Specifically section 47 and 48 designations that prohibit/limit mineral exploration and production in the area. At present Tundra has requested and received a Section 51 suspension of work requirements from the Nunavut Mining Recorder until this matter is clarified/resolved.

## **Permit Renewal**

Following the 2016 inspection by RMO Pedersen, Tundra mobilized a field crew to address the matters detailed in the inspection report. These activities commenced as soon as a crew was available. Work activities commenced on September 29, 2016 and were completed by October 1, 2016.

Tundra requests that the licence be extended to 2020 in anticipation that clarification regarding exploration in the region will be forthcoming in the next two to years.

If you have any question on this matter please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (604) 608-4524.

Yours truly,

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