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**Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada's Review of the
Licence Amendment Application for Coppermine River Project, Type B Water
Licence No. 2BE-COP2429**

Dear Richard Dwyer,

Thank you for the 7 May 2026 invitation to review the amendment application, submitted by Dahrouge Geological Consulting Ltd. On behalf of Tundra Copper Corp., for Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-COP2429.

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) examined the application pursuant to its mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Act*. Please find CIRNAC comments and recommendations in the attached Technical Memorandum.

The applicant shall provide confirmation from the Nunavut Water Board that all outstanding water license fees have been paid in full prior to approval of this application.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact William Quere at william.quere@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca or (873) 452-1981 Or Andrew Keim at (867) 975-4550 or Andrew.keim@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

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Regional Coordinator



Technical Review Memorandum

Date: 5 June 2026

To: Richard Dwyer – Manager of Licensing, Nunavut Water Board

From: William Quere – Regional Coordinator, CIRNAC

Subject: **Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada’s Review of the Licence Amendment Application for Coppermine River Project, Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-COP2429**

Region: Kitikmeot Kivalliq Qikiqtani

A. BACKGROUND

Tundra Copper Corp. is looking to expand their exploration program at Coppermine River Property to include more personnel and equipment. They are also looking to increase their water use, as an amendment to type water licence BE-COP2429, to allow up to 299 m³ a day. Their current camp is located the southernmost end of the Hope Lake Airstrip area, at UTM coordinates 526025 E, 7478954 N. They intend to operate in 2026 and 2027 from March to October. The project will be Helicopter supported and will include activities such as prospecting, geological mapping and sampling, core drilling, and RC drilling. Due to this increased need in water, a new water source has been proposed which is 700m from camp.

CIRNAC provides the following comments and recommendations pertaining to the application package. A summary of the subjects of recommendations can be found in Table 1. Documents reviewed as part of this submission can be found in Table 2 of Section B. Detailed technical review comments can be found in Section C.

**Table 1: Summary of Recommendations**

Recommendation Number	Subject
R-01	Incineration and Open Burning
R-02	New Camp Water Source

B. DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AND REFERENCED

The following table (Table 2) provides a list of the documents reviewed under the submission and reference during the review.

Table 2: Documents Reviewed and Referenced

Document Title	Author, File No., Rev., Date
260424 2BE-COP2429 25EA086 - Tundra Copper Response to Comments-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, March 2026
260424 2BE-COP2429 25EA086-Screening Decision Report-OT5E	NIRB, March 2026
260424 2BE-COP2429 2024-04-17-NPC File # 150294 [Coppermine River Drilling Program-IMLE	NPC, April 2024
260424 2BE-COP2429 2025-11-25-NPC File # 150939 Coppermine River Drilling Program-IMLE	NPC, November 2025
260424 2BE-COP2429 150707-15EN009-Screening Decision Report-IMLE	NIRB, July 2015
260424 2BE-COP2429 Abandonment and Restoration Plan-IMLE	Dahrouge Geological Consulting, March 2026
260424 2BE-COP2429 Amendment Application Summary - English-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, ND
260424 2BE-COP2429 Annual Summary of Work 2025 2027-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, March 2026
260424 2BE-COP2429 Application for Amendment to Water Licence-IMLE	Dahrouge Geological Consulting, April 2026
260424 2BE-COP2429 Assessment Report for Airborne Magnetic VLF-EM Survey-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, February 2024
260424 2BE-COP2429 Certificate of Registration-IMLE	Nunavut, November 2013
260424 2BE-COP2429 Emergency Response Plan-IMLE	Dahrouge Geological Consulting, September 2025
260424 2BE-COP2429 Environmental and Wildlife Management Plan-IMLE	Dahrouge Geological Consulting, March 2026
260424 2BE-COP2429 Letter of Authorization-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, ND
260424 2BE-COP2429 Location Figure Updated 20251222-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, ND
260424 2BE-COP2429 NWB Baseline Data-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, ND
260424 2BE-COP2429 Register of Directors & Officers-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, ND
260424 2BE-COP2429 Remote Camp Questionnaire	Dahrouge Geological Consulting, ND



Document Title	Author, File No., Rev., Date
20260413-IMLE	
260424 2BE-COP2429 Spill Contingency and Fuel Management Plan-IMLE	Dahrouge Geological Consulting, March 2026
260424 2BE-COP2429 Tundra Copper Consultation Letter 20250920-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, ND
260424 2BE-COP2429 Waste Management Plan-IMLE	Dahrouge Geological Consulting, September 2025
260424 2BE-COP2429 Water Withdrawal Locations-IMLE	Tundra Copper Corp, ND
Water Licence 2BE-COP2429	June 2024



C. RESULTS OF REVIEW

1. Incineration and Open Burning

Comment:

The Waste Management plan states in section 4.2 Incinerator that

“All combustible waste will be incinerated per federal, territorial regulations, and Nunavut’s guidelines”.

There is no description speaking to incinerator capacity or their specialized nature as mentioned in section 2.2 of the plan. There is also no procedure included for the incinerator’s use. The concern is that this information is relevant to confirming this equipment’s adequacy for this project. Open Burning is cited in the Abandonment and Restoration Plan, with no mention in the Waste Management Plan. Similarly though, This also includes no procedure but additionally has no ash management or burning area information.

Recommendation:

(R-01) CIRNAC recommends that the incinerator description and procedure for use be added to the Waste management plan as well as all Open Burning procedures.

2. New Camp Water Source

Comment:

The applicant mentions a new water source for their camp stating in section 13 of the General Application that

“Water is available on site; however, a pump may be relocated to a stream-fed lake 700 m from camp to meet expanded camp needs”.

There is a concern that no further information is given for this water source as required by Part C of their licence.

Recommendation:

(R-02) CIRNAC recommends the applicant provide additional information for the new water source including transportation, sedimentation and erosion controls, as well as any other descriptions or characteristics relevant to Part C of their current licence.