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RE: 120116 2BE-EDE0608 Request for Cancellation

Environment Canada (EC) has reviewed the above-mentioned request for cancellation submitted to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB). The following specialist advice has been provided pursuant to the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*, Section 36(3) of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, and the *Species at Risk Act*.

EC File: 4703 001

NWB File: 2BE-EDE0608

Tri Origin Exploration Ltd. has submitted an application for water license cancellation to the NWB for Type B water license 2BE-EDE0608 for their Keewatin Project at Edehon Lake. EC has no objections to the cancellation of the license so long as the proponent has met all abandonment and restoration obligations as laid out in Part H of the water license.

If there are any changes in the project EC should be notified as further review may be necessary. Comments previously submitted on behalf of EC regarding water license 2BE-EDE would still apply to this project. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions or comments with regards to the foregoing at (867) 975-4631 or by email at Paula.C.Smith@ec.gc.ca

Yours truly,

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