December 12, 2018 NWB File No: 2BE-EQE----

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Subject: Application Acknowledgement for - Eqe Bay Exploration Program

Dear Mr. Iannelli:

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") acknowledges receipt on December 7, 2018 of your new water licence application, for the Eqe Bay Exploration Program. This application has been assigned file number 2BE-EQE----. Please refer to this number on future submissions. Application documents received are as follows:

- A1 Executive Summaries English and Inuktitut
- A2 Water Licence Application Form
- A3 Regulatory Correspondence
- A4 Consultation Record
- A5 Corporate Information
- A6 SIG Concordance
- A7 Project Proposal
- A8 Vendor Information (Incinerator, STP, WTP)
- A9 Culvert Design Memo
- A10 Spill Contingency Plan
- All Closure & Reclamation Plan
- A12 Inspection and Monitoring Plan
- A13 Sampling Program QA-QC Plan
- A14 Waste Management Plan
- A15 Protection Plan
- A16 Figures
- Water Licence Application Cover Letter

Please be advised that under the Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement) Article 11, Section 11.5.9 and s. 76 (1) of *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA), the proponent of a

project governed by NuPPAA is also required to submit a project proposal document directly to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission) for the NPC's determination regarding the applicable land use planning requirements and/or directions regarding whether the project is subject to screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board. In particular, please note that as established under Articles 11, 12 and 13 of the Nunavut Agreement, NuPPAA and Part 3 of the Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act, until the project has completed the applicable land use planning and assessment process required by the NPC and the NIRB, the NWB cannot issue a water licence/approval.

The NWB confirms receipt of NPC conformity under NuPPAA on April 17, 2018 and NIRB determination through NPC under NuPPAA on August 17, 2018. This application is now ready for review and comments. Deadline for submissions is January 14, 2019.

Please call the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 or email to <u>licensing@nwb-oen.ca</u> if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Licensing Administrator

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