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Mr. Erik Goldsilver Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP Scotia Plaza, Suite 2100, 40 King Street West Toronto, ON M5H 3C2

Re: Application Acknowledgement and Requirement for Notice of the application for the George Lake Project

Dear Mr. Goldsilver:

The Nunavut Water Board acknowledges receipt on January 3, 2001 of your water licence assignment application for the Goose Lake and the George Lake projects.

As per our e-mail and telephone communication, the assignment for the Goose Lake project is not deemed necessary at this point. As a result, I will be returning the assignment fee to your office.

With regards to the assignment of George Lake, the following items were received:

- cover letter dated December 10, 2001
- assignment forms
- application fee
- fax dated January 11, 2002 with the Certificates of Amendment showing recent name changes

Receipt C116842 is attached for your records.

I have been asked by the Board to inform you that a <u>notice of your application is required</u>. This notice of requirement is based on Article 13.3.14 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), which states that the Board should take "...all steps necessary by way of notice...to provide and promote public awareness [of hearings]."

Accordingly, please have the enclosed notice in both English and Inuinnaqtun published in a two-column width format in the **News North** as per enclosed "Instructions for Publication of Notice in Newspaper." The Applicant is responsible for payment of the publication.

Upon request from the public, we ask you to make available, free of charge, copies of all documents pertaining to this application. Any person who is affected by this application or concerned with it, may submit a letter of concern, which must be submitted to the Board within the period of time shown on the public notice.

Please note that the confirmation of notice posting, must be submitted to our office before your application process will be completed.

Please call the undersigned at (867)360-6338 or rbecker@polarnet.ca if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Rita Becker Licensing Administrator

Enclosures

cc.

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