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NUNAVUT WATER BOARD
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NWB File No: 2BE-GOO1520

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Subject: Application Acknowledgement for the Renewal of Licence No. 2BE-GOO1520 Goose Lake Back River Project

Dear Mr. Keefe:

The Nunavut Water Board (“NWB”) acknowledges receipt on November 14, 2019 of your renewal water licence application, for the Goose Lake Back River Project. This application has been assigned file number 2BE-GOO1520. Please refer to this number on future submissions. Application documents received are as follows:

- Cover Letter
- Water Licence Renewal Application
- Spill Contingency Plan
- Project Map
- Abandonment Restoration Plan
- Comprehensive Non-Hazardous Waste Management Plan
- Comprehensive Hazardous Materials Management Plan
- Inuinnaqtun and English Summaries

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 December 5, 2019 and NIRB determination through NPC under NuPPAA on December 5, 2019. This application is now ready for review and comments. Deadline for submissions is January 17, 2020.

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

Sincerely,

Kayla Carter
Licensing Administrator