

<u>NWB File:</u> NWB1GOO0104

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via Email to: licensing@nwb.nunavut.ca

Dear Mrs. Beaulieu:

Re: NWB1GOO0104, MIRIMAR BATHURST RESOURCES LTD, GOOSE LAKE PROJECT

The Department of Environment (DOE), Government of Nunavut has reviewed the application and has the following comments and concerns.

Comments/Recommendations:

Spill Contingency Plan:

- Miramar must provide contact names, addresses, and a 24 hr phone number for the persons in charge for activating the spill contingency plan. Also, the names, addresses and phone numbers of the owners and project manager should be included into the plan.
- 2) Quantities and MSDS sheets for all fuels and chemicals should be provided in the plan for workers safety and for spill response. The plan should also include clean up and disposal options for contaminated soils.
- 3) The proponent needs to provide the workers with adequate training for spill response and clean up.
- 4) Miramar should provide locations and contents of the spill kits. This would ensure that each kit contains enough materials for the workers to respond to minor spills.
- 5) Emergency contact numbers for police, ambulance, clean up specialist, and fire department should be included in the plan in the event of a spill or accident.

Nunavut wildlife Act

Whilst The GN DOE has no specific concern at this time regarding the impacts of the project on wildlife; the proponent should be aware of the Nunavut Wildlife Act which was passed by the Nunavut Legislative assembly in December 2003. This Act, whilst not currently in force, establishes a comprehensive regime for the management of wildlife



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and habitat in Nunavut. The proponent should be aware of the provisions of this act and its implications for construction, operation and management of the project.

GN DoE would specifically like to draw the proponents attention to the prohibitions created under Section 65 (1) and (2) of the Act; these sections create an offence for the unlawful destruction of habitat. In addition, Section 73 (1) (a) creates an offence for people engaging in activities which cause disturbance to wildlife, unless authorized by a license.

It should be noted, that other sections and prohibitions contained within the Act will also apply, and the proponent should be aware of the content. The Act is scheduled to come into force in July 2005.

We thank the NWB for giving us the opportunity to review this application. Please contact me if you have any further questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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