

HOPE BAY JOINT VENTURE

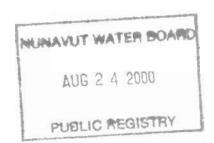
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30 August 2000

Mr. Philippe di Pizzo Executive Director Nunavut Water Board, P.O. Box 119 Gjoa Haven, NU, X0E 1J0

Dear Mr. di Pizzo,





Re: Receipt of Application for Amendment No. 2 to Permit No:NWB2HOP0002

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 25 August 2000 under the signature of Lorna Porter, A/Licensing Administrator related to the above captioned subject.

Accordingly, please find enclosed a cheque made payable to the Receiver General for Canada in the amount of \$30.00.

I have contacted your office and discussed this request with Rita Becker and have confirmed that there is no other information required at this time. When we submitted the letter dated 24 August, 2000, it was our intention that the NWB would inform us that this request would be considered an amendment and we would then provide the applicable fee. Sorry for any inconvenience in this matter.

With respect to the amendment itself, the disposal site for the sludges would be in an area similar to that where the liquid residue from the RBC is planned and as such all maps and locations are already in your files as part of the original amendment application. As such no other information is required from the HBJV as confirmed by Ms. Becker and the process of screening by NIRB will proceed in due course.

We appreciate your quick attention to this matter. To ensure a quicker response, please respond to the **above address** and contact numbers, to my cell number 780-975-2550 and my e-mail address on: hugh_r_wilson@hotmail.com.

Yours truly,

Hugh R. Wilson

Manager, Environmental Affairs

CC: A. Fleming; HBGC (fax No: 720-746-1291)

Inclosure