



THE NUNAVUT IMPACT REVIEW BOARD

THE NUNAVUT WATER BOARD



June 13, 2002

Mr. Hugh R. Wilson  
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*via fax and regular mail*

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Subject: Request for amendment to KIA Land Use Licence KTL399C028  
and Water Licence NWB2HOP0207

Thank you for your letter June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2002 requesting that the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) and the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) allow HBJV to move forward with the exploration decline program while the Doris proposal is pending public review under Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). Your request has been copied to the parties identified on the attached distribution list.

Inasmuch as this exploration program is “. . . part and parcel of the overall project. . .” and since the exploration is “critical to the project [timing] . . .” both Boards propose that the exploration and development *only* proceed as authorized per sections 12.10.2(b) and 13.5.5 of the NLCA. Both Boards believe such short-term approval should be for a maximum term of one year.

If *any* party objects to this proposal, please write to the Boards on or before June 20, 2002, failing which the application by HBJV to amend their current water license (NWB2HOP0207) and land-use permit (KIA Land Use License KTL399C028) on a short-term basis to allow for the exploration decline program to be conducted will be processed by the NWB and the KIA. Following June 20<sup>th</sup>, specific documentation from either Board will be forthcoming. In the meantime, if parties have any questions, please call us at (867) 983-2593 (NIRB) or (867) 360-6330 (NWB). Additionally, for HBJV, please see that all future correspondence is copied to all parties.

Yours truly,

*signature on file*

S. Briscoe  
Ex. Director NIRB

*signature on file*

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cc: Boards, Minister and to full Distribution List w/ Enclosure (6/10/02 Wilson letter)

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