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Your file - Votre référence 2BE-KIG1318 May 2, 2018

> Our file - Notre référence CIDM#1218934

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Re: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada's comments on Areva Resources Canada Inc.'s annual report for water licence #2BE-KIG1318 - Kiggavik **Project**

Dear Ms. Porter,

Thank you for your April 3, 2018 invitation for comments on the above mentioned annual report.

The Water Resources Division of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) reviewed the annual report and found it to be thorough, and meeting the requirements specified in Part B, Item 2 of the water licence.

Your invitation also requested a review of the following management plans:

- Abandonment and Restoration Plan, Version 6;
- Spill Contingency Plan, Version 8;
- Uranium Exploration Plan, Version 5; and
- Waste Management Plan, Version 7.

These plans are the same as we recently reviewed for Areva Resources Canada Inc.'s renewal application¹, and were also provided in the 2016 annual report. They address the care and maintenance state of the project. All plans include the mention they will be updated prior to a change in phase of the project.

We do not have comments regarding the plans; our two comments on the renewal application were about water sources and a reclamation security cost estimate

¹ Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada. January 22, 2018. Review of Renewal Application for Type B Water Licence 2BE-KIG1318



INAC appreciates the opportunity to participate in this review. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at (867) 975-3876 or by e-mail at sarah.forte@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

Sarah Forté Water Management Specialist

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