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RE: 2BE-KIG – AREVA Resource Canada – Abandonment and Restoration Plan.

On behalf of Environment Canada (EC), I have reviewed the Abandonment and Restoration plan submitted as a requirement of Part I, Item 1 of water license 2BE-KIG0708.

EC has no concerns with the plan however; EC would like to remind the proponent that burning of wooden structures should only be considered if the wood has not been treated with chemicals. Burning wood waste that has been treated with preservative chemicals or protective coatings can release harmful substances such as Dioxins and Furans into the Canadian environment. EC strongly recommends that the proponent remove all wood that are treated with preservatives and protective coatings from the project site upon final abandonment and dispose of these materials at an approved recycling or disposal facility.

If there are any changes in the proposed project, EC should be notified, as further review may be necessary. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments with regards to the foregoing at (867) 975-4631 or by email at cindy.parker@ec.gc.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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