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Via email: licensing@nwb-oen.ca

RE: 2BE-MDP1520 - APEX Geoscience Ltd. - Muskox Diamond Project - Type B Water License Amendment

Attention: Ida Porter

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) has reviewed the information submitted to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) regarding the above-mentioned Type B Water License Amendment. ECCC's specialist advice is provided based on our mandate, in the context of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, the pollution prevention provisions of the Fisheries Act, the Migratory Birds Convention Act, and the Species at Risk Act.

The following comment is provided:

1. On p.4 of the Exploration/Remote Camp Supplementary Questionnaire, in the section about Spill Contingency Planning, APEX Geoscience Ltd. (the Proponent) refers to a Spill Prevention and Response Plan submitted with the original water license application, dated July 2015. This plan contains outdated contact information for ECCC. The contact phone number provided for ECCC is correct, however Table 2.1 Spill Reporting and Response Contact List contains a 24-hour pager number for ECCC which is no longer used.

ECCC recommends the Proponent remove the 24-hour pager number from Table 2.1 as the number is no longer in use.



Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 669-4746 or Gabriel.Bernard-Lacaille@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

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