

ANNUAL REPORT 2020: WATER LICENCE 2BE-MEP1828

PRESENTED TO

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## Water licence 2BB-MEA1318, Part B item 2:

- 2. The Licencee shall file an Annual Report on the Appurtenant Undertaking with the Board no later than March 31st of the year following the calendar year being reported, containing the following information:
- a. A summary report of Water use and Waste disposal activities;
  - Water was used for drilling from May to September

Table 1, Water use

Months	Water usage m³/day	
May	31.3	*Water use for 4 days in May
June	42.0	
July	15.1	
August	31.8	
		*Water use for 29 days in
September	33.7	September

- All the waste generated during the exploration activity under this water licence was transported to the mine site where it was segregated and treated along with the waste generated by the mine site. Only the cutting was disposed of at the drill sites.
- b. Quantity of Water (in cubic metres/day) obtained for domestic and other purposes from sources on, in or flowing through Inuit-owned lands for the reporting period;
  - All the water obtained in 2020 for the drilling under this water licence was withdrawn from sources located on Inuit-Owned Lands.
- c. Quantity of Water (in cubic metres/day) obtained for domestic and other purposes from sources on, in or flowing through Crown Lands reporting period;
  - No water obtained in 2020 on Crown Land.
- d. Quantity of Waste disposed of on on-site Waste disposal facility;
  - All the waste generated during the exploration activity under this water licence was transported to the mine site where it was segregated and treated along with the waste generated by the mine site.

- e. Quantity of Waste backhauled to approved facility for disposal;
  - Waste generated during exploration activities in this area was transported to the Meliadine Mine site where it was segregated and disposed of according to the waste management plan along with the waste generated by the mine site.
- f. A list of unauthorized discharges and a summary of follow-up actions taken;
  - No unauthorized discharges occurred under this licence in 2020.
- g. Any revisions to the Spill Contingency Plan and Closure and Reclamation Plan, as required by Part B, Item 7, submitted in the form of an Addendum;
  - No revisions proposed.
- h. A description of all progressive and or final reclamation work undertaken, including photographic records of site conditions before, during and after completion of operations;
  - Drill site reclamations included the removal of remaining material and drill casings at each site once drilling was completed. Casings were cut at ground level when they could not be removed.
  - No relevant construction activities or modification or major maintenance work were carried out in 2020 under this water licence and no relevant construction activities or modifications or major maintenance work are planned for 2021 either.
- i. Report all artesian flow occurrences as required under Part F, Item;
  - No artesian flow occurrences encountered in 2020.
- j. A summary of all information requested and results of the Monitoring Program;

## PART J: CONDITIONS APPLYING TO THE MONITORING PROGRAM

- 1. The Licencee shall measure and record, in cubic metres, the daily quantities of water that is used from sources located on, in or flowing through Crown Land, utilized for camp, drilling, trenching and other purposes.
  - Please see part B item 2a.

2. The Licencee shall provide the GPS co-ordinates (in degrees, minutes and seconds of latitude and longitude) of all locations where sources of Water are utilized for all purposes.

Table 2, Water intake location

Purpose	Lat	Long		
	62° 58' 13.558"	91° 58' 22.572"		
Drilling	N	W		
	62° 58' 17.389"	91° 57' 53.895"		
Drilling	N	W		
	62° 57' 25.185"	91° 55' 43.560"		
Drilling	N	W		
	62° 57' 18.879"	91° 55′ 11.461″		
Drilling	N	W		

- 3. The Licencee shall determine the GPS co-ordinates (in degrees, minutes and seconds of latitude and longitude) of all locations where Wastes associated with camp operations and exploration operations are deposited.
  - All the waste generated during the exploration activity under this water licence was transported to the mine site where it was segregated and treated along with the waste generated by the mine site. The drilling cutting was disposed of at the following locations:

Table 3, Cutting disposal location

Location description (type)	Lat	Long	Location description (type)	Lat	Long
Cutting disposal M20-2969	62° 57' 42.087" N	91° 55' 23.128" W	Cutting disposal M20-2969	62° 57' 42.087" N	91° 55' 23.128" W
Cutting disposal M20-2970	62° 57' 43.062" N	91° 55' 23.286" W	Cutting disposal M20-2970	62° 57' 43.062" N	91° 55' 23.286" W
Cutting disposal M20-2971	62° 57' 45.256" N	91° 55' 20.029" W	Cutting disposal M20-2971	62° 57' 45.256" N	91° 55' 20.029" W
Cutting disposal M20-2972	62° 57' 45.265" N	91° 55' 20.027" W	Cutting disposal M20-2972	62° 57' 45.265" N	91° 55' 20.027" W
Cutting disposal M20-2973	62° 57' 45.933" N	91° 55' 25.935" W	Cutting disposal M20-2973	62° 57' 45.933" N	91° 55' 25.935" W
Cutting disposal M20-2974	62° 57' 46.563" N	91° 55' 23.514" W	Cutting disposal M20-2974	62° 57' 46.563" N	91° 55' 23.514" W
Cutting disposal M20-2975	62° 57' 45.919" N	91° 55' 25.936" W	Cutting disposal M20-2975	62° 57' 45.919" N	91° 55' 25.936" W
Cutting disposal M20-2976	62° 57' 47.262" N	91° 55' 28.533" W	Cutting disposal M20-2976	62° 57' 47.262" N	91° 55' 28.533" W
Cutting disposal M20-2977	62° 57' 42.812" N	91° 55' 20.245" W	Cutting disposal M20-2977	62° 57' 42.812" N	91° 55' 20.245" W
Cutting disposal M20-2978	62° 57' 42.831" N	91° 55' 20.240" W	Cutting disposal M20-2978	62° 57' 42.831" N	91° 55' 20.240" W
Cutting disposal M20-2979	62° 57' 43.543" N	91° 55' 16.875" W	Cutting disposal M20-2979	62° 57' 43.543" N	91° 55' 16.875" W
Cutting disposal M20-2980	62° 57' 45.169" N	91° 55' 17.539" W	Cutting disposal M20-2980	62° 57' 45.169" N	91° 55' 17.539" W
Cutting disposal M20-2981	62° 57' 43.693" N	91° 55' 19.233" W	Cutting disposal M20-2981	62° 57' 43.693" N	91° 55' 19.233" W
Cutting disposal M20-2982	62° 57' 43.543" N	91° 55' 16.875" W	Cutting disposal M20-2982	62° 57' 43.543" N	91° 55' 16.875" W
Cutting disposal M20-2983	62° 57' 43.350" N	91° 55' 14.125" W	Cutting disposal M20-2983	62° 57' 43.350" N	91° 55' 14.125" W
Cutting disposal M20-2984	62° 57' 48.248" N	91° 55' 11.490" W	Cutting disposal M20-2984	62° 57' 48.248" N	91° 55' 11.490" W
Cutting disposal M20-2985	62° 57' 46.295" N	91° 55' 37.629" W	Cutting disposal M20-2985	62° 57' 46.295" N	91° 55' 37.629" W
Cutting disposal M20-2986	62° 57' 47.686" N	91° 55' 35.989" W	Cutting disposal M20-2986	62° 57' 47.686" N	91° 55' 35.989" W
Cutting disposal M20-2987	62° 57' 50.466" N	91° 55' 50.570" W	Cutting disposal M20-2987	62° 57' 50.466" N	91° 55' 50.570" W
Cutting disposal M20-2989	62° 57' 19.440" N	91° 55' 7.633" W	Cutting disposal M20-2989	62° 57' 19.440" N	91° 55' 7.633" W
Cutting disposal M20-2990	62° 57' 35.552" N	91° 55' 39.192" W	Cutting disposal M20-2990	62° 57' 35.552" N	91° 55' 39.192" W
Cutting disposal M20-2991	62° 57' 35.677" N	91° 55' 40.455" W	Cutting disposal M20-2991	62° 57' 35.677" N	91° 55' 40.455" W
Cutting disposal M20-2992	62° 57' 36.305" N	91° 55' 45.350" W	Cutting disposal M20-2992	62° 57' 36.305" N	91° 55' 45.350" W
Cutting disposal M20-2993	62° 57' 35.427" N	91° 55' 35.358" W	Cutting disposal M20-2993	62° 57' 35.427" N	91° 55' 35.358" W
Cutting disposal M20-2994	62° 57' 37.112" N	91° 55' 48.962" W	Cutting disposal M20-2994	62° 57′ 37.112″ N	91° 55' 48.962" W
Cutting disposal M20-2995	62° 57' 35.268" N	91° 55' 32.824" W	Cutting disposal M20-2995	62° 57' 35.268" N	91° 55' 32.824" W
Cutting disposal M20-2996	62° 57' 35.979" N	91° 55' 41.580" W	Cutting disposal M20-2996	62° 57' 35.979" N	
Cutting disposal M20-2997	62° 57' 36.981" N	91° 55' 47.725" W	Cutting disposal M20-2997	62° 57′ 36.981″ N	
Cutting disposal M20-2998	62° 57' 35.793" N	91° 55' 37.755" W	Cutting disposal M20-2998	62° 57' 35.793" N	
Cutting disposal M20-2999	62° 57′ 35.879″ N	91° 55' 36.478" W	Cutting disposal M20-2999	62° 57' 35.879" N	91° 55' 36.478" W
Cutting disposal M20-3000		91° 55' 41.199" W	Cutting disposal M20-3000		91° 55' 41.199" W
Cutting disposal M20-3001		91° 55' 38.634" W	Cutting disposal M20-3001		91° 55' 38.634" W
Cutting disposal M20-3071	62° 56' 55.394" N	91° 54' 18.642" W	Cutting disposal M20-3071	62° 56' 55.394" N	91° 54' 18.642" W
Cutting disposal M20-3102	62° 58' 10.984" N	91° 58' 4.860" W	Cutting disposal M20-3102	62° 58' 10.984" N	91° 58' 4.860" W
Cutting disposal M20-3103	62° 57' 47.341" N	91° 55' 32.132" W	Cutting disposal M20-3103	62° 57' 47.341" N	91° 55' 32.132" W
Cutting disposal M20-3104	62° 57' 49.222" N	91° 55' 30.697" W	Cutting disposal M20-3104	62° 57' 49.222" N	91° 55' 30.697" W
Cutting disposal M20-3105	62° 57' 48.473" N	91° 55' 12.960" W	Cutting disposal M20-3105	62° 57' 48.473" N	
Cutting disposal M20-3106		91° 55' 16.257" W	Cutting disposal M20-3106	62° 57' 47.422" N	91° 55' 16.257" W
Cutting disposal M20-3107	62° 57' 49.008" N	91° 55' 43.380" W	Cutting disposal M20-3107	62° 57' 49.008" N	91° 55' 43.380" W
Cutting disposal M20-3108	62° 57' 44.924" N	91° 55' 26.368" W	Cutting disposal M20-3108	62° 57′ 44.924″ N	91° 55' 26.368" W
Cutting disposal M20-3109	62° 57′ 37.364″ N	91° 55' 48.859" W	Cutting disposal M20-3109	62° 57′ 37.364″ N	91° 55' 48.859" W
Cutting disposal M20-3110	62° 57' 37.274" N	91° 55' 47.587" W	Cutting disposal M20-3110	62° 57′ 37.274″ N	
Cutting disposal M20-3111		91° 55' 49.635" W	Cutting disposal M20-3111		91° 55' 49.635" W
Cutting disposal M20-3156	62° 58' 9.549" N	91° 57' 53.247" W	Cutting disposal M20-3156	62° 58' 9.549" N	91° 57' 53.247" W
Cutting disposal M20-3157	62° 58' 11.556" N	91° 58' 26.894" W	Cutting disposal M20-3157	62° 58' 11.556" N	91° 58' 26.894" W

- 4. The Licencee shall determine the GPS co-ordinates (in degrees, minutes and seconds of latitude and longitude) of all drill holes located within thirty one (31) metres of the ordinary High Water Mark, as per Part F Item 2, and provide these locations on a map of suitable scale for review as part of the Annual Report.
  - No drilling was conducted within thirty one (31) metres of the Ordinary High Water Mark.
- 5. The Licencee shall establish background and post drilling water quality for pH, conductivity, temperature and dissolved oxygen at the nearest downstream water body to drill locations. Monitoring is to be done prior to commencement of drilling and weekly thereafter, concluding one week after drilling has been completed and the site restored.
  - No drilling was conducted within thirty one (31) metres of the Ordinary High Water Mark.
- 6. The Licencee shall obtain representative samples of the Water column below any ice where required under Part F, Item 8 and 9. Monitoring shall include but not be limited to the following:

Total Suspended Solids

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Electrical Conductivity, Total Trace Metals as determined by a standard ICP Scan (to include at a minimum, the following elements: Al, Sb, Ba, Be, Cd, Cr, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Li, Mn, Mo, Ni, Se, Sn, Sr, Tl, Ti, U, V, Zn), and

Trace Arsenic and Mercury

- No drilling on ice was conducted under this licence in 2020.
- 7. The Licencee shall establish baseline water quality conditions prior to drilling within thirty one (31) metres of the ordinary High Water Mark as per Part F, Items 2 and 4. Monitoring shall include the following:

**Total Suspended Solids** 

**Turbidity** 

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Electrical Conductivity,

Total Trace Metals as determined by a standard ICP Scan (to include at a minimum, the following elements: Al, Sb, Ba, Be, Cd, Cr, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Li, Mn, Mo, Ni, Se, Sn, Sr, Tl, Ti, U, V, Zn), and

Trace Arsenic and Mercury

- No drilling was conducted within thirty one (31) metres of the Ordinary High Water Mark.
- 8. The Licencee shall, where turbidity is observed in adjacent waters or waters immediately downstream of any drilling program conducted within thirty one (31) metres of the ordinary High Water Mark of any Water body, during summer following any such drilling program as per Part F Item 4 (c), conduct additional monitoring of the parameters listed in Part J Item 7 to determine whether any further mitigation is required.
  - No drilling was conducted within thirty one (31) metres of the Ordinary High Water Mark.
- 9. All sampling, sample preservation and analyses shall be conducted in accordance with methods prescribed in the current edition of *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater*, or by such other methods approved by the Board in writing.
  - N/A
- 10. All analyses shall be performed in a laboratory accredited according to ISO/IEC Standard 17025. The accreditation shall be current and in good standing.
  - N/A
- k. Any other details on Water use or Waste
  - No other details to provide.