

PUBLIC NOTICE OF NEW APPLICATION
Northern Empire Minerals Ltd.
Article 13.3.14: Nunavut Land Claims Agreement

Notice is given that APEX Geoscience Ltd. filed an application on behalf of Northern Empire Minerals Ltd. for a new licence to the NUNAVUT WATER BOARD (NWB) under the provisions of the NLCA, Article 13 to use water or deposit of waste into water for the following project:

File #: **NWB2NOR**

Project: Melville Peninsula

Location: Latitude: 68°10'55.9"; Longitude: 83°45'16.0".

Purpose: Exploratory Drilling and Camp

This application has been reviewed by the Nunavut Planning Commission for conformity with the appropriate land use plan and is currently being screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB), before it can be processed by the Nunavut Water Board. The NWB shall hold a public hearing before approving this application, but it may waive this requirement if no public concerns are expressed.

Any person who is affected by or concerned with the application is asked to submit written comments before **July 9, 2003** to:

Licensing Administrator

Nunavut Water Board

P.O. Box 119, Gjoa Haven, Nunavut X0B 1J0

Phone: (867) 360-6338; Fax: (867) 360-6369; E-mail: nwblic@polarnet.ca

Copies of all application documents may be obtained by affected parties, free of charge, through the internet on our ftp site at <ftp://ftp.nunavut.ca> in the NWB folder "NWB2NOR" or by contacting:

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Failure to file a written statement within the specified period may affect the right to later intervene, file a notice, appear before the Nunavut Water Board, and result in the loss of the right to be compensated, as provided in Section 59 and 60(2) of the Act.