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NUNAVUT WATER BOARD
NUNAVUT IMALIRIYIN KATIMAYINGI

NWB File No: NWB2NTI

April 30, 2003

Mr. Ken Armstrong
Strongbow Resources Inc.
1300-409 Granville Street
Vancouver, BC V6C 1T2
Email: nvr_karmstrong@telus.net

Re: Application Acknowledgement and Requirement for Notice of the Application for the West Kitikmeot Project

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

The Nunavut Water Board acknowledges receipt on April 16, 2003 of your water licence application for the West Kitikmeot Project. Your application included the following items:

- cover letter dated April 11, 2003
- executive summary in English and Inuktitut
- application form
- supplementary questionnaire
- Maps
- Project description
- Abandonment and restoration plan
- Spill response plan
- Summary list of exploration for the project area
- MSDS sheets
- Application fee

Receipt C137260 is attached for your records.

This project is currently being screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board for their determination as to whether they require further review, or if it can be processed by the Nunavut Water Board.

I have been asked by the Board to inform you that a notice of your application is required. This notice of requirement is based on Article 13.3.14 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), which states that the Board should take "...all steps necessary by way of notice...to provide and promote public awareness [of hearings]."

Accordingly, a notice in both English and Inuinaqtun will be posted for a period of 30 days, with local establishments in Kugluktuk, Umingmaktok and Bathurst Inlet. Copy of the notice will be available to you during the distribution process.

Upon request from the public, we ask you to make available, free of charge, copies of all documents pertaining to this application. Any person who is affected by this application or concerned with it, may submit a letter of concern, which must be submitted to the Board within the period of time shown on the public notice.

Please call the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 or nwblic@polarnet.ca if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Phyllis Beaulieu
A/Licensing Administrator

Cc: Paul Smith, DIAND