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Your file - Votre référence  
2BE-PIX0510

October 3, 2012

Our file - Notre référence  
CIDM# 599497

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**Re: Request for Closure - Type "B" Nunavut Water License 2BE-PIX0510**

Dear Phyllis Beaulieu:

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) has performed a review of the water license closure application 2BE-PIX0510 submitted by Ashton Mining Ltd. (Northwest Territories) to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB). The following advice has been provided pursuant to AANDC's mandated responsibilities for the enforcement of the Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act (NWNSRTA) and the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act (DIAND Act). In conducting our review, AANDC referred to the documents on the NWB's FTP-site under 2BE-PIX0510.

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 975-4568 or by e-mail at [Rory.MacDonald@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca](mailto:Rory.MacDonald@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca)

Regards,

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Technical Review Memorandum

To: Phyllis Beaulieu – Manager of Licensing, Nunavut Water Board

From: Rory MacDonald – Water Resources Technician, AANDC

Existing Water License: 2BE-PIX0510

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A. Project Description

Ashton Mining (Northwest Territories) Ltd. submitted a request for closure to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) on August 31, 2012 and held an existing water license 2BE-PIX0510 (expiring August 1, 2010). The license was authorized to use up to 5 cubic meters of water/day (not to exceed) in association with a temporary fly camp to be constructed on Inuit Owned Land parcel BB-16 located 80km south of Bathurst Inlet. The camp was to occupy a footprint that would not exceed 130m<sup>2</sup>.

Given the camp was never constructed during its 5 year license term; there are no reclamation activities to report.

B. Results of Review

AANDC Water Resources Division offers the following comments/ recommendations for the Board's consideration.

1. General
  - AANDC - Water Resources Division finds the cancellation application complete and recommends that the above referenced license not be cancelled/ closed until a Water Resource Officer provides confirmation that no compliance issues are associated and/or remain outstanding with the project.