

General Water Licence Application (Application for a new Water Licence)

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The applicant is referred to the NWB's Guide 4: <u>Guide to Completing and Submitting a Water</u> Licence Application for a New Licence for more information about this application form.

LICENCE NO: (for NWB use only)				
1. APPLICANT (PROPOSED LICENS CONTACT INFORMATION (name, a	address) CONTACT INFORMATION if different from Block 1 (name, address) Katsky Venter			
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White Cliff Minerals Itd.	RainCoast Environmental Services Ltd.			
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Calgary, Alberta T3E 5X1	Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 1M9			
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Fax:	_ Fax:			
e-mail: eric@wcminerals.com.au	e-mail: <u>Katsky.venter@gmail.com</u> (See Attached authorization letter.)			
3. NAME OF PROJECT (including the	1.			
Rae Copper Project				
4. LOCATION OF UNDERTAKING				
Project Extents				
NE 67° 51' 0.0" N	115° 00' 0.0" W			
SE 67° 12' 0.0" N	115° 49' 0.0" W			
SW 67° 40' 0.0" N	118° 22' 0.0" W			
NW 67° 58' 0.0" N	118° 22' 0.0" W			
Camp Location(s)				

MAP - Attach a topographical map, indicating the main components of the undertaking.					
Please see map in Pro	ject Description				
NTS Map Sheet No.: Map Nam		:	Map Scale:		
NTS Map Sheet No	Map Name	Scale			
086N05	HANBURY KOPJE	1:50K			
086N06	MOUNTAIN LAKE	1:50K			
086N07	TESHIERPI MOUNTAIN	1:50K			
086N08	TUKTUVAK LAKE	1:50K			
086N09		1:50K			
086N10	BORNITE LAKE	1:50K			
086N11	IMPACT LAKE	1:50K			
086N12		1:50K			
086N13		1:50K			
086N14		1:50K			
086N15	COX LAKE	1:50K			
086N16		1:50K			
086005	BURNT CREEK	1:50K			
086006		1:50K			
086011	ESCAPE RAPIDS	1:50K			
086012		1:50K			
086013		1:50K			
086014	RICHARDSON BAY	1:50K			
proposed under Sub-surface Mineral Leas Date (expected Mineral Leas Date (expected Surface X Crown Land U	e from Nunavut Tunngavik date) of issuance: e from Indian and Northern date) of issuance: Jse Authorization from India	Incorporated Da Affairs Cana Da	ada (INAC) tte of expiry:		
Date (expected WCM currently		Da I Use Licenc			

	☐ IOL Authorization from Kivalliq Inuit Association (Date (expected date) of issuance:	
	☐ IOL Authorization from Qikiqtani Inuit Association	
		Date of expiry:
	Commissioner's Land Use Authorization Date (expected date) of issuance:	Date of expiry:
	Other:	
	Other: Date (expected date) of issuance:	Date of expiry:
Name o	of entity(s) holding authorizations: White Cliff Minerals	Ltd
For list	of WCM's mineral claims please see the Project	Description Appendix A
7.	NUNAVUT PLANNING COMMISSION (NPC) DETE	RMINATION
	Indicate the land use planning area in which the proj	ect is located.
	☐ North Baffin ☐ Keewatii	
	☐ South Baffin ☐ Sanikilua ☐ Savikilua ☐ X West Kiti	
		2
	Is a land use plan conformity determination required	:
	X Yes	
	If Yes, indicate date issued and attach copyPleat Determination # 150522	ase see Attached NPC Conformity
	If No, provide written confirmation from NPC confirm is not required.	ing that a land use plan conformity review
8.	NUNAVUT IMPACT REVIEW BOARD (NIRB) DET	ERMINATION
	Is an Article 12 Part 4 screening determination requi	red?
	x Yes	
	If Yes, indicate date issued and attach copy	
	If No, provide written confirmation from NIRB confirmation required.	ning that a screening determination is not
	application has been submitted to, and accepted be ned NIRB File # 125991, 24EN047.	y, the NIRB for screening and was
9.	DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING – List and attack	ch plans and drawings or project proposal.
Please	see attached Project Description.	

10.	OPTIONS – Provide a brief explanation of the altropy considered to carry out the project.	ternative methods or locations that were
Projec	t location is determined by area geology.	
minera consid neares (such a archae the Ra	location(s) will be selected based on a combinal targets, water sources, and a location access lerations (e.g. being located on dry durable growt waterbody, in a location the minimizes impacts near the existing Hope Lake Airstrip) and curological sites)). Based on these consideration to be evaluated.	sible by plane) as well as environmental bund, set back at least 31 m from the cts and/or is in an already-impacted area ultural considerations (e.g. avoidance of any s, WCM's preferred alternative is to position
	nd drilling is the primary method used for hard emented by reverse circulation drilling where role.	
11.	CLASSIFICATION OF PRIMARY UNDERTAKING undertaking by checking one of the following box	
	☐ Industrial X Mining and Milling (includes exploration/drilling) ☐ Conservation	☐ Agricultural g/exploration camps)
	☐ Municipal (includes camps/lodges) ☐ Power	☐ Recreational ☐ Miscellaneous (describe below):
	See Schedule II of Northwest Territories Waters F	Regulations for Description of Undertakings.
	Information in accordance with applicable Supple submitted with a New Water Licence Application. application.	
	 ☐ Hydrostatic Testing ☐ Tannery ☐ Tourist / Remote Camp ☐ Landfarm & On-Site Storage of Hydrocarbon ☐ Onshore Oil and Gas Exploration Drilling X Mineral Exploration / Remote Camp ☐ Advanced Exploration ☐ Mine Development ☐ Municipal ☐ General Water Works ☐ Power 	Contaminated Soil
12.	WATER USE - Check the appropriate box(s) to i applied for.	ndicate the type(s) of water use(s) being
	X To obtain water for camp/ municipal purposes X To obtain water for industrial purposes x To cross a watercourse (when frozen) x To alter the flow of, or store water (water will to water use)	☐ To divert a watercourse ☐ To modify the bed or bank of a watercourse De stored in small water tanks for camp and drill ☐ Flood control

	Other:
13.	QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF WATER INVOLVED - For each type of water use indicated in Block 12, provide the source of water, the quality of the water source and available capacity, the estimated quantity to be used in cubic meters per day, method of extraction, as well as the quantities and qualities of water to be returned to source.
on wa	se see Project Description and Application Supporting Materials for maps and information ater sources, calculated available capacities, proposed withdrawal quantities, methods of ction, and water quantity and quality to be returned to source.
	Name of water source(s) (show location(s) on map):
	Describe the quality of the water source(s) and the available capacity:
	Provide the overall estimated quantity of water to be used:
	Provide the estimated quantity(s) of water to be used from each source:
	Indicate the estimated quantities to be used for each purpose (camp, drilling, etc.)
	Describe the method of extraction(s):
	Estimated quantity(s) of water returned to source(s)0 m³/day
	Describe the quality of water(s) returned to source(s):N/A
14.	WASTE – Check the appropriate box(s) to indicate the types of waste(s) generated and deposited.
	X Sewage
	It is noted that the other wastes listed above may also be generated, but will not be deposited at site; they will be backhauled for disposal.
	Please see the Waste Management Plan for further information.
15.	QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF WASTE INVOLVED – For each type of waste indicated in Block 14, describe its composition, quantity in cubic meters/day, method of treatment and method of disposal.
	Please see Waste Management Plan.
16.	OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS – In addition to the sub-surface and surface land use authorizations provided in Block 6, indicate any other authorizations required in relation to the proposed

Authorization: Administering Agency: Project Activity:	undertaking. For each provide the following Please see Project Description and Applease	ing: polication Supporting Materials Appendix B
Project Activity:	Administering Agency:	
	Project Activity:	
Date (expected date) of issuance: Date of expiry:	Date (expected date) of issuance:	Date of expiry:

PREDICTED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF UNDERTAKING AND PROPOSED
 MITIGATION MEASURES - Describe direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts related to water and waste.

Potential environmental impacts related to the use of water and the disposal of waste from camp operation and proposed activities and mitigation measures would include:

- Water use will be limited to the waterbody-specific calculated available water capacity of each waterbody to ensure no negative impacts on water quantity
- · No waste will be landfilled on site
- Camp waste is burnt, incinerated, and/or removed from site or deposited in sumps or natural depressions
- All sumps and camp infrastructure and fuel storage will be located more than 31 m from the nearest high water mark
- Drills and drilling supplies are positioned using helicopters to minimize ground disturbance when the ground is unfrozen
- When drilling in permafrost, salt (calcium chloride) is added to drill water to keep the drill rods from freezing in the hole and water may be heated.
- Water from drilling operations is recirculated to minimize the quantity of both water and salt used and runoff near the drill site.
- Drill cuttings are collected and deposited in a sump
- Drilling on lakes occurs within a casing to minimize sedimentation.

Cumulative impacts of drilling are reduced because of the above mitigation measures.

Further detail on potential Project impacts and proposed mitigation in relation to the physical, biological, socio-Economic environment as well as potential for cumulative effects can be found in the Project Description and Application Supporting Materials Section 6 and Appendix C. Please also see WCM's Waste Management Plan and Spill Contingency Plan which outline management and mitigation measures which will be employed to minimize potential for impacts related to water and waste.

Through the application of these management and mitigation measures, in combination with the nature and limited scale of the proposed activities, no significant effects related to water use and deposit of waste are anticipated.

18. WATER RIGHTS OF EXISTING AND OTHER USERS OF WATER

Provide the names, addresses and nature of use for any known persons or properties that may be adversely affected by the proposed undertaking, including those that hold licences for water use in precedent to the application, domestic users, in-stream users, authorized waste depositors, owners of property, occupiers of property, and/or holders of outfitting concessions, registered trapline holders, and holders of other rights of a similar nature.

WCM's drilling activity and drill water use will be constrained to WCM's mineral claims. WCM is not

aware of any notable overlapping water uses in these areas.

WCM's camp may be established outside of WCM's mineral claims, near the existing all-weather Hope Lake Airstrip. Tundra Copper Corp. (contact information from NWB public registry below) holds the mineral claims in this area and water licence 2BE-COP2429. 2BE-COP2429 allows a cumulative daily water use of up to 18 m³/day for a combination of camp and initial drilling purposes.

WCM does not anticipate any significant cumulative impact of combined WCM and Tundra Copper water uses and waste deposit and has discussed plans to use the Hope Lake Airstrip with Tundra Copper Corp.

Tundra Copper Corporation 654-999 Canada Place Vancouver, BC V6C 3E1 (604)669-6446

Advise the Board if compensation has been paid and/or agreement(s) for compensation have been reached with any existing or other users.

19. INUIT WATER RIGHTS

Advise the Board of any substantial affect of the quality, quantity or flow of waters flowing through Inuit Owned Land (IOL),and advise the Board if negotiations have commenced or an agreement to pay compensation for any loss or damage has been reached with one or more Designated Inuit Organization (DIO).

Due to the nature and scope of activities combined with the implementation of the mitigation and management measures outlined in this application, no substantial effect on the quality, quantity or flow of waters flowing through Inuit Owned Land is anticipated.

20. CONSULTATION – Provide a summary of any consultation meetings including when the meetings were held, where and with whom. Include a list of concerns expressed and measures to address concerns.

Please see Attached Engagement Summary.

21. SECURITY INFORMATION

Provide an estimate of the total financial security for final reclamation equal to the total outstanding reclamation liability for land and water combined sufficient to cover the highest liability over the life of the undertaking. Estimates of reclamation costs must be based on the cost of having the necessary reclamation work done by a third party contractor if the operator defaults. The estimate must also include contingency factors appropriate to the particular work to be undertaken.

Where applicable, the financial security assessment should be prepared in a manner consistent with the principals respecting mine site reclamation and implementation found in the *Mine Site Reclamation Policy for Nunavut*, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, 2002.

A combined land and water security estimate for closure of the fully executed Project is estimated at \$110,000. WCM will be posting a \$75,000 security deposit with the Kitikmeot Inuit Association for this Project, as per the KitlA's requirements for a Class II Land Use Licence.

22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Provide a statement of financial responsibility.

WCMs financial statements can be found on it's website at https://wcminerals.com.au/annual-reports. The annual report for year ended June 30, 2024 indicates that WCM has cash and cash equivalents of \$2.96 million Australian Dollars (AUD) and total assets of \$5.57 million AUD.

If the applicant is a business entity, provide a list of the officers of the company.

WCM Company officers are:

Eric Sondergaard (Director) Roderick McIllree (Director) Troy Whittaker (Director) Dan Smith (Director)

If the applicant is a business entity attach a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation or evidence of registration of the company name.

Please see attached Certificate of Incorporation.

23. STUDIES UNDERTAKEN TO DATE - List and attach copies of studies, reports, research, etc.

WCM recently completed an initial geophysical and ground sampling survey and an archaeological overview assessment of potential camp locations and initial drill sites to ensure activities will not conflict with archaeological resources. Reports of these findings are in preparation and archaeological results will be provided to the Government of Nunavut as required under the Archaeological Research Permit that authorized the study. WCM notes that other studies have been undertaken by other proponents during the course of historical exploration in this area, and these included additional geological and archaeological studies.

Construction Proposed Start Date:		Proposed Completion Date:	
· –	(month/year)	_	(month/year)
<u>Operation</u>			
Proposed Start Date: _	February 2025 (month/year)	_ Proposed Completion Date: _	_ February 2032 (month/year)
<u>Closure</u>			
Proposed Start Date: _		Proposed Completion Date:	
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<u>Post - Closure</u> Proposed Start Date:		Proposed Completion Date:	
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For each applicable pha	ase of develonment i	ndicate which season(s) activities	COCCUE
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	Operation Winter Spring Summer Fall x All season (with exception of Bluenose East a calving and post-calving periods, during which time activities will cease/exploration camp conally closed)
	<u>Closure</u> ☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer ☐ Fall ☐ All season
	<u>Post - Closure</u>
25.	PROPOSED TERM OF LICENCE
	Number of years (maximum of 25 years): years (to align with a 5 year Class A Land Use Permit Term with the possibility of a 2 year extension)
	Requested Date of Issuance:February 2025 Requested Expiry Date:February 2032_ (month/year) (month/year)
water licensing license a respond	uested date of issuance must be <u>at least</u> three (3) months from the date of application for a type B water and <u>at least</u> one (1) year from the date of application for a type A water licence, to allow for processing of the ence application. These timeframes are approximate and do not account for the time to complete any preland use planning or development impact requirements, time for the applicant to prepare and submit a water pplication in accordance with any project specific guidelines issued by the NWB, or the time for the applicant to to requests for additional information. See the NWB's <i>Guide 5:</i> <u>Processing Water Licence Applications</u> for promation)
26.	ANNUAL REPORTING – If not using the NWB's <u>Standardized Form for Annual Reporting</u> , provide details regarding the content of annual reports and a proposed outline or template of the annual report.
27.	CHECKLIST – The following must be included with the application for the water licensing process to begin.
	Written confirmation from the NPC confirming that NPC's requirements regarding land use plan conformity have been addressed.
	x Yes
	Written confirmation from the NIRB confirming that NIRB's requirements regarding development impact assessment have been addressed.
	Yes x No If no, date expectedSubmitted Sept 20, 2024; Screening Decision anticipated November 2024
	Completed General Water Licence Application form.
	x Yes
	Information addressing Supplemental Information Guideline (SIG) , where applicable (see Block 11)

1	Name (Print)	Title (Prin	t)	Signature	Date
28. Eric So	SIGNATURE ondergaard	Country Manag	er	huhyul	24/10/2024
	x Yes	☐ No	If no, date exped	cted _ submitted by mail	
		lated by the NWB	based upon the	General for Canada). To amount of water author f the licence.	
	x Yes	□No	If no, date expe	ectedsubmitted by n	nail
	Application Fee of \$30	0.00 CDN (Payee F	Receiver General	for Canada).	
	x Yes	□No	If no, date expe	ected	
	Inuktitut and/or Inuinn	aqtun Summary of	Application.		
	x Yes	□No	If no, date expe	ected	
	English Summary of A	Application.			
	x Yes	□No	If no, date expe	cted	