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Attention: Ms. Beaulieu

## RE: 121120 2BE-SIP1117 Application for Cancellation

Vale Exploration Canada has submitted to the Nunavut Water Board an application for the cancellation of water license 2BE-SIP1117 for the Southampton Island Project. Environment Canada (EC) has reviewed the above-mentioned application and has no objections to the cancellation of the license if the proponent has met all abandonment and restoration obligations as laid out in Part I of the water license and the site meets Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada inspection approval.

If there are any changes to the project EC should be notified, as further review may be necessary. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (867) 975-4631 or Paula.C.Smith@ec.gc.ca.

Regards,

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