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To: Robin Ikkutisluk

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RE: Response to Comments for Application for Water Licence Amendment and Renewal for the Aston Bay (Storm) Project, Nunavut Water Board Licence No. 2BE-STO1520

Ms. Ikkutisluk,

In response to the comments received from Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) and the Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA) with respect to the Aston Bay (Storm) Project water licence renewal and amendment I would like to submit the following:

- 1. Amended Application for Water Licence Amendment
- 2. Amended Fuel Management Plan
- 3. Amended Spill Prevention & Response Plan
- 4. Amended Reclamation Cost Estimate
- 5. Land Use Clarification Figure

In response to the comment received from CIRNAC Impact Assessment Coordinator, Richard Bingley, the amended application and management plans have been updated to consistently state the amount of fuel proposed to be at the Project will total 80,000L. The Reclamation Cost Estimate has also been updated to reflect this amount of fuel.

In response to the comment received from QIA Manager of Lands Administration, Joel Fortier, a new Land Use Clarification Figure has been created to more accurately reflect the current Aston Bay Project mineral tenure and surface access authorizations.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at anytime if you require and additional clarification or edits.

Sincerely.

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Cc: Richard Dwyer, Manager of Licensing, Nunavut Water Board

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Richard Bingley, Impact Assessment Coordinator, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada Joel Fortier, Manager, Lands Administration, Qikiqtani Inuit Association

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