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**Re: Nunavut Water Board Licence 3BM-ARV0308, Renewal, Type A, Water Use and Waste –
Wolf River and area (Hamlet of Arviat)**

Date of request: **May 7, 2010**

Dear Richard Dwyer

The Government of Nunavut (CLEY) has reviewed the material for a New Type A Water Licence for the Hamlet of Arviat.

The department does not object to the application. However, we have concerns because of threats posed by the proximity to known archaeological sites near the southern limits of the water pipeline location. In addition, there is one other known archaeological site within the wetland treatment area which is downstream of both the active sewage lagoon and landfill site area. Accordingly, we recommend that an assessment of potential impact of this project on resources be completed.

All archaeological sites in Nunavut are protected by law and the proponent must understand that it is their responsibility to ensure no sites are disturbed in the course of activities. Should any additional sites or artifacts be encountered, the proponent must contact the Department of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth.

Sincerely,

Edward Atkinson, for

Douglas R. Stenton, PhD
Director, Culture and Heritage
Culture, Language, Elders and Youth