

NWB File No: 3AM-ARV1016

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RE: Type "A" Water Licence 3AM-ARV1016; Application for Renewal-Amendment; Hamlet of Arviat; Technical Meeting Draft Agenda

Dear Steve England and Elan Chalmers:

Further to the Nunavut Water Board's (NWB or Board) correspondence of December 10, 2021, with respect to the technical review of Type "A" Water Licence Renewal-Amendment Application No: 3AM-ARV1016 and supporting documentation (the Application) submitted by the Hamlet of Arviat (Hamlet or the Applicant) via its representative, Government of Nunavut – Community and Government Services (GN-CGS), by way of this letter, the Board would like to provide the **Draft Agenda** for the upcoming Technical Meeting (TM).

The Board received comments¹ from the following interested parties

- Crown-Indigenous Relations & Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNA);
- Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), and
- Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO).

Copies of the comments received from Intervening Parties, submissions from the Applicant, and all documents associated with the Application have been placed in the Board's Public Registry and made available through the NWB's FTP site using the following link:

ftp://ftp.nwb-oen.ca/registry/3%20MUNICIPAL/3A/3AM%20-%20Municipality/3AM-ARV1016/1%20APPLICATION/2020%20Renewal/

On February 3, 2022, the Applicant provided responses to interveners' comments. The Applicant is advised to review all submissions, including Intervening Parties' comments on the technical

¹ Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), January 25, 2022; Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), January 21, 2022; Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA), January 20, 2022.

review of the Application in preparation for the upcoming Technical Meeting and Pre-Hearing Conference.

As stated in its December 10, 2021 correspondence, the Board directed the NWB staff to hold a Technical Meeting and Pre-hearing Conference (TM/PHC) in Arviat the week of February 21, 2022. On December 24, 2021, the Chief Public Health Officer of Nunavut declared a territory-wide "circuit-breaker" lockdown due to rapidly raising cases of COVID-19 infections. Although the lockdown restrictions have since been lifted, the COVID-19 spread continues in the Territory. After careful consideration, the Board concluded that holding the TM/PHC via teleconference would be appropriate at this time. Therefore, the NWB advises the parties that <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 22, 2022 and Wednesday</u>, <u>February 23, 2022</u> are set as dates for the teleconference Technical Meeting and Pre-hearing Conference, respectively. The Board would like to advise the interested parties that the holding of the Community Session may or may not be feasible due to logistical issues. The Board will be further advising on this matter.

During the Technical Meeting, the Applicant and Intervening Parties will be required to provide PowerPoint (or PDF) presentations and submissions made to the Board during the technical review. Intervening Parties are expected to indicate during their presentation if they anticipate that the issues that they have identified, have been or will be addressed to their satisfaction prior to the NWB's Public Hearing for the file. Intervening Parties are requested to provide Inuktitut and French translations of their presentations to be made available.

If a teleconference Community Session is conducted, the NWB is proposing to hold it during the evening of **February 22, 2022** to allow community representatives to express views they may have regarding the Water Licence application and/or to ask any questions to the Applicant and the Intervening Parties. The Applicant and Interveners should be prepared to provide a summarized version of its PowerPoint presentation provided during the Technical Meeting for community session.

As communicated by the Board in its December 10, 2021 correspondence, the Applicant and Interveners are to provide their presentations (including versions translated into Inuktitut and French) to the NWB's Licensing Department at licensing@nwb-oen.ca on or before 3:00 p.m. MT, Tuesday, February 15, 2022.

In addition, interested parties are to provide relevant comments on the draft Agenda to the NWB's Licensing Department at licensing@nwb-oen.ca by 15, 2022. In addition to comments on the draft Agenda, interested parties are also asked to provide the following information along with their submissions:

- Confirm the attendance of their organization, group or individual;
- Provide the names of the individuals who will be participating on their behalf in the TM and PHC respectively; and
- Identify whether they wish to make a formal presentation of their submissions during the Technical Meeting.

Following receipt of this information the NWB will distribute a final version of the Agenda in advance of the TM/PHC along with the teleconference information, as well as the names of the participating organizations and/or persons who have confirmed their attendance.

If any parties/persons have technical questions or require clarification with respect to the above, please contact Assol Kubeisinova, Technical Advisor by email at assol.kubeisinova@nwb-oen.ca. For procedural and administrative inquiries, please contact the undersigned, by phone at (867) 360-6338 or by e-mail to licensing@nwb-oen.ca.

Sincerely, **NUNAVUT WATER BOARD**

Richard Dwyer Manager of Licensing

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Attachment: Draft TM/PHC Agenda Cc: Distribution List – Kivalliq



DRAFT AGENDA

TECHNICAL MEETING AND PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE – HAMLET OF ARVIAT

APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL-AMENDMENT TO WATER LICENCE NO: 3AM-ARV1016

TECHNICAL MEETING

Date: February 22, 2022

Time: 9:00AM – 5:00PM (CT)

Teleconference Call-In Information: Information will be provided with the final Agenda

- 1. Introduction and registration.
- 2. Application to the Board, NWB Opening Remarks (15 minutes).
- 3. Purpose of the Technical Meeting.
- 4. Technical Review of the Application:
 - a) Presentation by Applicant (30-45 minutes);
 - b) Identification of Intervening Parties;
 - c) Presentations by Intervening Parties (30 minutes per party);
 - d) Discussion of Commitments to address Technical Issues; and
 - e) Formulation of Outstanding Issues.

Health Breaks – 15-20 minutes

COMMUNITY SESSION (TO BE CONFIRMED)

Date: February 22, 2022 Time: 6:30 - 9:30 PM (CT)

Teleconference Call-In Information: Information will be provided with the final Agenda

- 1. Overview of NWB process by NWB (15 minutes).
- 2. Presentation of Application by Applicant (30 minutes).
- 3. Presentations by Intervening Parties (15 minutes per party).
- 4. Questions and comments from community members.

DRAFT AGENDA - CONTINUED

TECHNICAL MEETING AND PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE – HAMLET OF ARVIAT

APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL-AMENDMENT TO WATER LICENCE NO: 3AM-ARV1016

PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE

Date: February 23, 2022 Time: 9:00 AM (CT)

Teleconference Call-In Information: Information will be provided with the final Agenda

- 1. Identify issues preventing Application from proceeding to a Public Hearing.
- 2. Discuss form, timing and location for any potential Public Hearing.
- 3. Establish timetable for the pre-hearing exchange of information, including:
 - a. preparation and service of documents to parties (deadlines, form, public registry);
 - b. document translation requirements; and
 - c. documentation to be included in the hearing record.
- 4. Finalize the list of issues to be dealt with at the Public Hearing.
- 5. Identify interested parties.
- 6. Identify any changes to Application for the purposes of clarification.
- 7. Final procedures to be followed at the Public Hearing, including:
 - a. requested modifications to the applicable NWB *Rules of Practice and Procedure for Public Hearing* (May 2005); and
 - b. language requirements at the Public Hearing.
- 8. Consider any other matters that may aid in the simplification and disposition of the Application at the Public Hearing.
- 9. Other Issues.
- 10. Closing of the Meeting.