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Re: Type "A" Water Licence Renewal Application – Response to NWB draft Table of Commitments and Issues related to water licence 3AM - GRA1015 - Hamlet of Rankin Inlet

Please be advised that Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) have completed a review of the water licence application for 3AM-GRA1015 for the Hamlet of Rankin Inlet. The NWB circulated the Draft Table of Commitments and Issues for comment on December 10, 2015. All associated documents related to this application posted on the NWB ftp site under 3AM-GRA1015 were included in this review (see attached Technical Review Memo).

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 975-4282 or by email at lan.Parsons@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Memorandum

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Comments/Recommendations

INAC believes that the draft table of commitments and issues distributed for comment addresses most of INAC's concerns outlined in its November 30, 2015 submission to the NWB.

INAC still maintains its position on the issue of the deposit of waste (sewage effluent) into the marine environment and at this time is seeking an opinion on the applicability of the Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act in this case.

Comments inserted into the draft table of commitments and issues by the applicant indicate that additional information will be submitted on or by January 31, 2016 that will speak to and/or clarify INAC's concerns as listed in the draft table. INAC reserves the right to review these documents and make further comments if necessary when the documents are made available.

INAC believes that an in-person Public Hearing held in Rankin Inlet may be the most adequate form of Public Hearing as this would probably facilitate more side table discussions if needed as well as more participation from the public on any concerns they may have with respect to its water supply and its sewage disposal.

