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Subject:

Notice of Technical Meeting and Pre-Hearing Conference for the Government of Nunavut Community Government Services, Type A Water Licence Application for the Hamlet of Rankin Inlet, Water Supply and Sewage Collection.

Dear Mr. Thistle.

Pursuant to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) Motion 2009-20-11¹ and in accordance with Rule 14 of the Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure for Public Hearing*, the NWB has decided to tentatively schedule the next Technical Meeting (TM), followed by the Pre-Hearing Conference (PHC) for the Government of Nunavut Community Government Services (GN-CGS or Applicant) Type A Water Licence Application for the Hamlet of Rankin Inlet (Application) at **08:00a.m., April 19, 2010 via teleconference**.

In its letter to parties, dated March 9, 2010, the NWB summarized the commitments made by the GN-CGS to revise the Application and to provide additional information by March 31, 2010. The Board has set the date for the next TM and PHC in order to allow interested parties sufficient time (two weeks) for review of the anticipated revisions and additional information. Failure of the GN-CGS to provide the additional information by March 31, 2010 may result in a delay to this schedule.

The purpose of the TM is to informally resolve any remaining technical matters between interested parties and the Applicant prior to the PHC, particularly those matters that could affect the Board's determination on any PHC issues. The purpose of the PHC is to deal with administrative matters related to the public hearing. A PHC decision will be issued following the PHC and will include a timetable for the exchange of written information if required, filing of evidence for the hearing and confirmation of notice of hearing in accordance section 55(2) of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*. Agendas confirming the particulars of the TM and PHC will be provided following the receipt of the updated Application and related comments from the parties.

Interested parties are requested to continue their technical assessment of the Application as the information is made available through the NWB and are encouraged to work cooperatively with the

¹ On February 3, 2010, the Board delegated to the staff the authority to hold a technical meeting/pre-hearing in accordance with the *Rules of Practice and Procedure for Public Hearings* in accordance with Motion #2009-20-11.

Applicant or as required, the designated consultant, Nuna Burnside, to discuss minor issues in advance of the TM and PHC. The NWB requests to be kept informed of any issues and any agreement between the parties on issues. Following review of the anticipated additional information, parties are requested to submit the results of their technical assessment to Phyllis Beaulieu, Manager of Licensing at licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org prior to 3:00 p.m. (MDT) April 15, 2010.

If you have any questions or require clarification on the above, please contact the undersigned at (780) 443-4406 or by email to dts@nunavutwaterboard.org.

Yours truly,

Original signed by:

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