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via Email to: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

RE: NWB File No. 3AM-IQA0611 City of Iqaluit Amendment Application

The Government of Nunavut, Department of Environment (DoE) has reviewed the City of Iqaluit Amendment Application. The Nunavut Water Board (NWB) requested on May 20, 2009 that parties comment on the four questions below.

1. The type and form of public hearing in order to consider the Type A Licence amendment?

The Department of Environment (DoE) believes that written or teleconference hearing would be sufficient for our needs.

2. The relevance of the information deficiencies identified in the preliminary assessment of administrative compliance in relation to the processing of this Application.

DoE has reviewed the NWB's April 20, 2009 compliance assessment report and agrees with the NWB's report that outlines a number of unresolved issues. DoE is aware that the City has not yet provided sufficient information that would allow us to proceed with the Amendment Application.

3. Any additional information the parties may require in order to process and evaluate the merits of the amendment requests listed above and in the submitted documentation

DoE recommends that City of Iqaluit should prioritize and submit all relevant documents prior to any type of technical hearing.

4. Any other matters relevant to the Application process

Sewage Treatment Plant





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In the application, DoE noted that City is in a state of non-compliance with the current criteria required by the water licence. DoE acknowledges that with the current system available to them, it will be impossible for them to meet the criteria. The City is asking the NWB to reconsider the effluent criteria until such time as the commissioning of Phase II of the project. DoE recommends that the Board request that the city provide a time table for the establishment of Phase II along with more detailed information on how the system works.

Landfills

DoE recommends that the City of Iqaluit install monitoring system to determine if there is an impact to the surrounding environment from leachate within the West 40 Landfill.

DoE recommends that the Board proceed with a hearing for the City of Iqaluit's water license amendment application once City submits all required documentation by NWB.

DoE thanks NWB for giving us the opportunity to comment on the City of Iqaluit's amendment application. If NWB has any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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