

File No.: 3AM-IQA0612 / Renewal – Amendment

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Re: Water Licence Licence No. 3AM-IQA0612 (or Licence No. 3AM-IQA0611), Type "A"; Renewal - Amendment Application by the City of Iqaluit for a Municipal Undertaking

Dear Mr. Hassan:

In response to the Nunavut Water Board's (the NWB or Board) correspondence in which the City of Iqaluit (the City) was requested to provide written response(s) to interveners' technical review comments regarding the City's renewal – amendment application for Type "A" Water Licence No. 3AM-IQA0612 (the Application), the City provided on November 13, 2015, a submission intended to address the Board's request. The NWB has posted the City's submission on the Board's File Transfer Protocol (FTP) site and Public Registry, which in addition to all other submissions received for the Application, can be accessed using the following link:

ftp://ftp.nwb-oen.ca/1%20PRUC%20PUBLIC%20REGISTRY/3%20MUNICIPAL/3A/3AM%20-%20Municipality/3AM-IQA0612/.

Based on the extent and type of technical review comments received from the intervening parties, relevant response(s) provided by the City, and the general internal review conducted by the NWB, the Board has decided that the Application can proceed to the next stage of the water licensing process, which will involve a Technical Meeting and Pre-Hearing Conference (TM and PHC). In accordance with Rule 14 of the Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure for Public*

Letter from Robin Ikkutisluk, A/Manager of Licensing, NWB, to Muhamud Hassan, Chief Administrative Officer, City of Iqaluit, Re: 3AM-IQA0612 (Previously Licence No. 3AM-IQA0611), Type "A"; Amendment Renewal Application by the City of Iqaluit for a Municipal Undertaking, August 10, 2015.

Hearing, the Panel duly representing the Board on matters related to the Application has directed the NWB's staff, under Motion No.: 2015-23-P6-03, to schedule an in-person TM and PHC for the City Application. The TM and PHC will be held on the week of January 11, 2016 at Iqaluit, Nunavut, the community most affected by the undertaking.

The purpose of the Technical Meeting (TM) is to informally discuss and resolve any outstanding technical matters related to the Application at this stage in the review process, particularly those matters that could affect the Board's determination on any Pre-Hearing Conference issues. In contrast, the purpose of the Pre-Hearing Conference (PHC) is to address administrative matters pertaining to any potential Public Hearing that may be conducted for the Application. Subsequent to the TM and the PHC and assuming that the Application is to proceed to the next stage of the licensing process, the Board's PHC decision will include a timetable for the exchange of any written information required, filing of evidence for a potential Public Hearing, and confirmation of notice of Public Hearing in accordance s. 55(2) of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*.

In preparation for the TM and PHC, the Board has attached a copy of a draft agenda and recommends that interested persons provide relevant comments to the NWB's Manager of Licensing at licensing@nwb-oen.ca by 3:00 p.m. MST, on December 11, 2015. In addition to commenting on the agenda, interested parties should provide the names of their prospective participant(s) for upcoming meetings to ensure that adequate preparations are made. The NWB will distribute in advance of the TM and PHC a final version of the agenda as well as the names of the participating organizations/persons who have confirmed their attendance.

As the date for the TM and PHC scheduled for the Application approaches, the NWB will accordingly keep interested persons informed to promote and encourage full participation in the process. In the interim, however, the NWB takes this opportunity to inform the Licensee and intervening parties intending to make representation to the Board that the NWB requires for public distribution, copies of the licensee's and interveners' presentations, in English along with summaries in Inuktitut and French (preferably PDF/PowerPoint files, less than 3 MB/file size), no later than **2:00 p.m. MST, January 7, 2016**.

If any parties/persons have procedural questions related to the above, they should direct those questions to Phyllis Beaulieu, Manager of Licensing, or Robin Ikkutisluk, Licensing Administrator, by phone at (867) 360-6338 or by e-mail to licensing@nwb-oen.ca. Questions related to technical matters should be directed to Sean Joseph, Senior Technical Advisor at Sean.Joseph@nwb-oen.ca or David Hohnstein, Director of Technical Services, by e-mail to david.hohnstein@nwb-oen.ca

Sincerely,

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