

December 4, 2015

Muhamud Hassan Chief Administrative Officer City of Iqaluit PO Box 460 Iqaluit, NU XOA 0H0

Re: Draft Agenda Techniccal Meeting and Pre-hearing Conference

Dear Mr. Hassan:

Thank you for the comments provided in your letter dated December 3, 2015, regarding the Draft Agenda for the Technical Meeting and Pre-Hearing scheduled for the City of Iqaluit (the "City") Type "A" Water Licence Application (the Application). Your letter identified some of the concerns that the City currently has pertaining to procedural aspects/requirements of the water licensing process.

The Nunavut Water Board (the "NWB") has given consideration to your concerns/comments and has taken this opportunity to state that the TM and PHC are not only necessary elements of the licensing process, moreover, they act as a precursor to any potential Public Hearing that may be scheduled for the Application. Further, the evidence collected during the TM and PHC, along with other evidence associated with the Application, play a key role in the Board's decision on whether a Public Hearing should be held for the Application.

Given the stated importance of the TM and PHC, the NWB has included allowance on the Draft Agenda for the City to support and provide general details regarding its application during the meetings. It is therefore anticipated that the City will embrace this opportunity.

Taking the above into consideration, the NWB requests that the City confirm, at its earliest convenience, its intention to fully participate, including providing the required presentation, at the upcoming TM and PHC scheduled for the City's Application during the week of January 11, 2015.

If you have further questions/concerns, please contact me at <u>licensing@nwb-oen.ca</u> or phone (867) 360-6338..

Sincerely,

Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licensing

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