



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) has participated in the ongoing review of the City of Iqaluit (City) water licence amendment application for its existing Type A Nunavut Water Board water licence 3AM-IQA1626 for municipal undertakings. The amendment proposes two (2) changes which, if approved, will be in effect until the end of the licence term in 2026. These proposed changes are:

1. To increase the volume of water allowed to be extracted from Lake Geraldine, the City's primary drinking water source; and
2. To supplement the water in Lake Geraldine by pumping water from the Apex River (Niaqunguk River).

During the technical review, topics discussed were:

1. The development of a Drinking Water Management Plan;
2. The City's withdrawal of the Contingency Plan for exceeding allowable extraction rates;
3. Requirements for monitoring and reporting; and
4. The addition of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) in the Site Specific Spill Contingency Plan.

The Requirements for monitoring and reporting and the addition of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) in the Site Specific Spill Contingency Plan were both resolved during the technical review. CIRNAC's outstanding issues relate to the scope of the Drinking Water Management Plan to include water supply and water demand issues, and the lack of a Contingency Plan presenting additional risk.



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