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Mr. Lootie Toomasie
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Via email: lootie.toomasie@nwb-oen.ca

Dear Mr. Toomasie:

I am responding to your letter of August 3, 2018, addressed to the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, seeking consent for the Nunavut Water Board to process an amendment to the City of Iqaluit's Type "A" Water Licence on an emergency basis. As the authority to consent still rests with me, I have taken the liberty of responding.

I have considered this information and am convinced that the City of Iqaluit is at risk of a shortage of drinking water for the winter, which would place the health of Iqaluit residents at risk. Considering the time sensitive nature of the situation, I consent that the amendment to the City of Iqaluit's Type "A" Water Licence should be processed on an emergency basis as described under paragraph 55(2)(c) and subsection 55(5) of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

Sincerely,

Hon. Carolyn Bennett, M.D., P.C., M.P.

c.c.: The Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, P.C., M.P.