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File No. 3AM-IQA1626 / Amendment No. 5

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By E-mail

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Subject: Licence No: 3AM-IQA1626 – City of Iqaluit; Amendment No. 5 – New Solid Waste Disposal Facilities

Dear Honourable Minister Vandal:

Please find attached a copy of Amendment No. 5 to Type “A” Water Licence No. 3AM-IQA1626 (the “Licence”), duly issued by the Nunavut Water Board to the City of Iqaluit (the “City”) for a Municipal undertaking in accordance with Schedule 1 of the *Nunavut Waters Regulations*. The above mentioned Amendment addresses changes to terms and conditions related to the Use of Waters and deposit of Waste contained in Licence No. 3AM-IQA1626, to allow for the construction and operation of new Solid Waste Management facilities and the seasonal use of Water from Imiqtarviviniq Lake for dust suppression on municipal roads.

In its decision to issue the Licence and consistent with the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement)*, the Board considered the outcome of its review process as well as the determinations made by the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) and the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) with respect to the undertaking. The NPC in its December 3, 2018, correspondence¹ confirmed that: the Project is outside of an area with an applicable regional land use plan; the project proposal requires screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because it does not belong to a class of

¹ Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) Conformity Determination; NPC File # 148839-City of Iqaluit - New Landfill, December 3, 2018.

exempt works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement)*; and on this basis, the NPC forwarded the Application to the NIRB for screening under Article 12 of the *Nunavut Agreement* and Part 3 of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA)*. On September 13, 2019, the NIRB issued its Screening Decision Report² (NIRB File No. 13UN034) associated with the Application, stating that a further review of the project is not required in accordance with Article 12 of the *Nunavut Agreement* and s. 92(1)(a) of the *NuPPAA*.

On the basis of the NPC's consideration of the project and the NIRB's screening of the project, the NWB concluded that the land use planning and environmental assessment requirements for the Application under Articles 10-13 of the *Nunavut Agreement*, Part 3 of the *NuPPAA*, and ss. 38 and 39 of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act, S.C. 2002, c. 10 (NWNSRTA)* have been met and the Application could be considered by the NWB.

In accordance with s. 56 of the *NWNSRTA*, the above referenced amendment to the Licence requires your approval and, as such, the NWB submits the attached Reasons for Decision including the Record of Proceedings along with a copy of Amendment No. 5 to Licence No. 3AM-IQA1626 for your consideration.

Should you have any questions, require clarification with respect to the above or wish to discuss further, please contact the undersigned in writing at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Lootie Toomasie
Nunavut Water Board, Chair
LT/dd/rqd

Enclosure: **Licence No. 3AM-IQA1626 – Amendment No. 5**

cc. Amy Elgersma, City of Iqaluit
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² NIRB Screening Decision Report, NIRB File No.: 13UN034, September 13, 2019.