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File No: 3BC-AET---3

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Subject: Completion of Activities Without a Valid Water License

Dear Mr. Siciliano:

On May 10, 2012 the Nunavut Water Board (“NWB”) received an application for a water license for activities relating to the Study of Arctic Soil Project. Prior to a full review and approval of this activity, the Licensee, completed the 2012 research.

You are reminded that in accordance with Article 13.7.1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement “With the exception of domestic or emergency use of waters as set out in Section 5 of the *Northern Inland Waters Act RSC 1985, c. N-25*, no person may use water or dispose of waste into water without the approval of the NWB”.

Furthermore, Section 90. (1) of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Right Tribunal Act* states...”Any person who contravenes subsection 11(1) or section 12, or fails to comply with subsection 11(3) or with a direction given by an inspector under subsection 87(1), is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$100,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or both.”

The NWB has now closed this file. However, if you wish to pursue this same activity for 2013, please ensure that a water license application is submitted within a timeframe of three to six months prior to start-up of activities, so that all regulators and interested parties have the opportunity to provide comments, and the NWB has issued the necessary license authorizing the use of water and/or deposit of waste.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office should you require further clarification.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Phyllis Beaulieu
Manager of Licensing

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