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**Re: 3BC-ALT1015 – Application for Modification and Construction at  
Canadian Forces Station (CFS) Alert – Department of National  
Defence - CFS Alert**

Please be advised that Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) has completed a review of the application for modification and construction for 3BC-ALT1015 - CFS Alert. The NWB circulated the application for comments on May 21, 2013. All associated documents related to this application posted on the NWB ftp site under 3BC-ALT1015 were included in my review (See attached Technical Review Memo).

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-4282 or by email at [Ian.Parsons@aandc.gc.ca](mailto:Ian.Parsons@aandc.gc.ca).

Sincerely,

*Original signed by*

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## **Technical Review Memorandum**

To: Phyliss Beaulieu – Manager of Licensing, NWB

From: Ian Parsons – Regional Coordinator, AANDC

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**Re: 3BC-ALT1015 – Application for Modification and Construction at CFS Alert – Department of National Defence - CFS Alert**

### **Background**

CFS Alert is military intelligence facility located on the Northeastern tip of Ellesmere Island in the Qikiqtani region of Nunavut, Canada. The United States Thule Air Base located on Greenland is the closest place to CFS Alert and is located 700 km to the south southeast. CFS Alert can accommodate over 200 personnel however currently CFS Alert continues to be downsized and less than 50 are typically on-site.

### **Comments/Recommendations**

AANDC is satisfied that the application for modification and construction of the fuel tank compound and land farm areas at Alert is complete

AANDC however does have a couple of recommendations.

AANDC recommends that the proponent update both their Spill Contingency and Abandonment and Restoration Plans to reflect the modifications to infrastructure at CFS Alert and submit them to the NWB.

AANDC recommends that the proponent development and submit to the NWB a landfarm management plan including but not limited to how contact water is to be managed (including how it will be collected, sampled and discharged) as well as the criteria to which the soil is to be remediated.

AANDC also recommends adhering to all of Environment Canada Acts and Regulations concerning above ground storage fuel tanks and its associated piping.



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