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Subject: Licence No. 3BC-NWT0810 "Northern Watch Technology Demonstration

Project"; Submission of the Addendum to Spill Contingency Plan.

Dear Mr. Howard;

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") has completed a technical review of the Addendum to Spill Contingency Plan entitled "DRDC - Atlantic Northern Watch Technology Demonstration Project – Addendum to the Spill Contingency Plan as part of the Water License granted the 15 of July 2008" for the above-mentioned Project, which was prepared on August 11, 2009 and was received on November 8, 2010.

The review of the Addendum identified some items that should be addressed by the Licensee. Part G, Item 2 of the licence states that

- The Licensee shall submit within thirty (30) days of issuance of the Licence, an Addendum to the Plan referred to in Part G, Item 1, in the format set out by the Consolidation of Spill Contingency Planning and Reporting Regulations R-068-93 including and addressing the following:

e. Specific steps for spills on snow, ice, water and tundra; f. A very brief overview of training provided to camp personnel.

These items are still outstanding in the proposed Addendum. The Licensee is requested also to update the Indian and Northern Affairs Canada – Water Resources Inspector contact information in the *Table 1: Spill Contingency Plan - Contact List* to **(867) 975 4295**.

The section **General Procedures** of the proposed Addendum describes the general clean-up procedures for all spill areas. However, no measures are proposed to deal with contaminated soil or snow, if a spill occurs. No types of sorbent barriers are proposed either.

The Licence states (cover page i) that the NWB recommends that an application for the renewal of this Licence be filed at least <u>three months</u> prior to the Licence expiry date. It is noted that the expiry date of the Licence was September 30, 2010.

Therefore the NWB recommends that a revised Spill Contingency Plan be included with a licence renewal application.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 Ext. 30 or k.kharatyan@nunavutwaterboard.org, at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

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