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## NUNAVUT WATER BOARD NUNAVUT IMALIRIYIN KATIMAYINGI

December 13, 2006

Clare Kines Kiggavik Bed & Breakfast Box 73 Arctic Bay NU X0A 0A0

Dear Ms. Kines:

Thank you for your letter of November 7, 2006 inquiring about legislation governing the use of water and the deposit of waste in the Hamlet of Arctic Bay ("Hamlet") for your bed and breakfast operations.

The use of water and the deposit of waste in Nunavut are regulated under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and/or the *Northwest Territories Waters Regulations*. Under this legislation, any person using water or depositing waste, including sewage, is required to obtain a licence issued by the Nunavut Water Board ("Board"). A licence issued by the Board contains conditions that are binding on the licensee.

In the case of Arctic Bay, the Hamlet has indeed a water licence that regulates municipal undertakings with which the Hamlet must comply. The licence authorizes the Hamlet to use and maintain water and waste facilities. Failure by the Hamlet to comply with the terms and conditions of its water licence can lead to prosecutions under the Act.

The municipal water and waste facilities authorized under the Hamlet's municipal licence are owned and operated by the Hamlet, and the latter has the entire discretion to decide whether or not it will allow a third party to use these facilities, and if so, under what conditions. If you wish to obtain water and/or dispose of waste otherwise, you will be required to apply for a water licence, in which case you can contact our office for additional information on the application process and requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact me by email (exec@nunavutwaterboard.org), mail, fax or telephone.

Sincerely,

Philippe di Pizzo

Chief Administrative Officer

c.c. Hamlet of Arctic Bay