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3BM-ARC1924
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**Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada's Response to
Comments on the Review of the Licence Amendment and Renewal Application
for the Hamlet of Arctic Bay, Type B Water Licence No. 3BM-ARC1924**

Dear Richard,

Thank you for the March 11, 2025 invitation to review the referenced licence amendment and renewal application, submitted by the Government of Nunavut Department of Community and Government Services on behalf of the Municipality of Arctic Bay, for Type B Water Licence No. 3BM-ARC1924.

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) examined the application pursuant to its mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Act*.

CIRNAC has reviewed the applicants responses and notes that some of the concerns have been addressed, CIRNAC still considers R-02, R-03, R-04 unresolved. Below in Table 1 is the status of the recommendations. CIRNAC acknowledges the municipality in delivering essential services of water delivery and waste management however until such time that the applicant can demonstrate consistent compliance and submission of annual reports on-time CIRNAC is recommending a 5 year renewal.

In relation to CIRNAC R-05, it is recommended that the applicant source funding to help with monitoring and analysis as per Part B, Item 1-e of the water licence.

While these recommendations have been proposed, CIRNAC defers to the Nunavut Water Board for their decision.

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The applicant shall provide confirmation from the Nunavut Water Board that all outstanding water license fees have been paid in full prior to approval of this application.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at lauren.perrin@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca or Andrew Keim at andrew.keim@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lauren Perrin', written in a cursive style.

Lauren Perrin
Water Management Specialist



Table 1: Summary of Recommendations

Recommendation Number	Subject	Status
R-01	Water Quantity Increase	Resolved
R-02	Existing Licence Expired & non-compliance	Not resolved
R-03	Measuring water withdrawal levels	Not resolved
R-04	Geotechnical and geothermal performance of Wastewater treatment facility	Not resolved
R-05	Water quality of solid waste facility run-off	Resolved
R-06	Water Volume and Water Level Measurements	Resolved
R-07	Sewage Spill Cleanup-Dilution	Resolved
R-08	QA/QC Sampling Locations GPS coordinates	Resolved