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Re: Delay in submitting the Implementation plan for Baker Lake Water License

Dear Sarah

Thank you for your letter of September 20 regarding the implementation plan for Baker Lake Water license.

This creates an excellent opportunity to explain circumstances that Community and Government Services and the Hamlet are in at this time.

We had hoped and planned that we could meet the response deadline that has been set but the Nunavut Water Board, however some delays have occurred.

The length and complexity of the points raised; as agreed to by Mr. Murdock do require the assistance of a Professional Environmental Consultant. It was indeed fortunate Community and Government Services were in the process of engaging a consultant in late June 2006. Unfortunately however there was a delay of 50 days to secure the required funds and contract approvals consequently the consultant was not engaged until early August 2006.

We are now in the process of finalizing a contract change order and asking the Consultant to submit their time plan and work plan to complete the implementation plan for Baker Lake water license.

We expect Nunami Jacques Whitford Environmental will be submitting their work schedule for this significantly large work package by October 6th 2006.

Nunami Jacques Whitford Environmental has been officially assigned to respond to the Nunavut Water Board. I trust they will be also providing this schedule directly to your office at approximately the same date.

At this time there is no change to the August 2007 proposed completion date for the entire work which was originally assigned to Nunami Jacques Whitford by CGS at the beginning of their contract. Please note the response to the lengthy questions raised about the Water Board license is extra high priority work to the basic contract. I will advise if there are any further delays or changes to this time framework.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions

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