

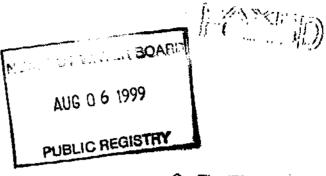
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Re: Hamlet of Baker Lake Water Licence Renewal Application - File No. NWB3BAK

I have reviewed the above renewal application on behalf of the Environmental Protection Branch, Environment Canada (EPB) and note that the municipality's waste management practices are generally good, with a few notable exceptions.

Solid Waste Disposal:

- It is my understanding that the practice described in the renewal application of disposing of waste oil into an unlined pit, has since been stopped. The municipality should provide plans
- The information given on hazardous waste management doesn't specify the ultimate disposal of the various types of hazardous wastes. It must be ensured that they are kept contained in development of waste oil and hazardous material disposal practices.
- The old solid waste disposal site still contains numerous (estimated 50) barrels of waste oil
 and solvents which are deteriorating and starting to leak. The municipality must dedicate the
 required resources to removal of these barrels and remediation of this site. It is
 recommended that this cleanup be a condition of the licence renewal.

Sewage Disposal:

One of the consistent observations on many inspector's reports is that of erosion at the
discharge point. It is recommended that the licence include conditions for regular inspections
of the discharge point, and, if necessary, erosion protection structure installed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 669-4735 with any questions or comments regarding the foregoing.



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