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His Worship Mayor William Noah
Hamlet of Baker Lake
Baker Lake, NT X0C 0A0

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Dear Mayor Noah:

RE: NWT Power Corporation Environmental Program - Baker Lake

This letter is to inform you of the current status of the environmental program for the Baker Lake power plant site.

I have reviewed the correspondence related to environmental concerns that the Hamlet Council has expressed and I can assure you that a comprehensive plan is being developed.

The following lists actions taken and actions to be taken:

- In October, 1995, an environmental assessment was carried out at the Baker Lake site. However, the terms of reference restricted testing on the Corporation's property. This exercise was carried out by an independent consultant (Industrial Remediation Services).
- On June 17, 1997, Mr. Robert Eno, Environmental Protection Officer from Nunavut Headquarters, carried out an investigation of the site and took water and soil samples. His report was released to me on July 18, 1997.
- On July 17, 1997, the Corporation retained EBA Engineering Consultants Ltd. in Yellowknife to undertake delineation to identify the extent of contamination from the power plant, that may impact the soil, surface, water and ground water in the general vicinity of the facility. This is scheduled for mid August.
- Reporting of the results is not expected until December 1997. It is my intention to travel to Baker Lake shortly after for consultation with you and Council, concerning the results and proposed action plan.

Mayor William Noah

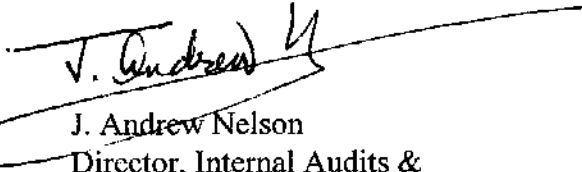
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It is the Corporation's policy to respond immediately when results disclose a health risk.

Please give me a call should you require any further information.

Sincerely



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Environmental Affairs

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