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Dear Mr. Broome

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In consultation with the Hamlet, we have taken corrective measures to repair the 3 cell lagoon system in the Hamlet of Cape Dorset. The primary 3 cell lagoon site has been restored to the original working specifications to ensure a safe and environmentally sound waste-water disposal site. The work included minimizing the surface runoff into the three cell system and stabilization of the berms of the three cell system. The repairs were completed in January, 2005.

In March 2005, the Hamlet placed a request to decant the 3 cell lagoon, in order to prevent the failure of the lagoon's berms.

For a long term solution for the disposal of sewage in Cape Dorset, the GN has retained Dillon Consulting Limited. Dillon has identified P-Lake as the new site for the sewage lagoon. P-Lake is located on Malik Mountain south of the community. This location requires an access road with steep grades and rock excavation.

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To date, Dillon has completed the project initiation meeting with the client and first round of consultation with regulators. They have also produced a Feasibility Study which is intended to develop the work to a point where we could understand if the P-Lake area was at all suitable for a lagoon site, and to allow the GN to approach DFO for their initial review. As of today, Dillon is continuing discussions with DFO and is preparing cost estimates for the project. Dillon will provide us with a pre-design report as a next step.

I trust this is in keeping with your most recent Inspector's Direction relating to Cape Dorset Sewage.

If you require any further details regarding this project, please do not hesitate to contact the under signed.

Sincerely,



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