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From: Don Holmes Date: 5/18/01

Re: Water License Pages:

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Rita Becker:

I am sending you a response to the letter received in you office dated April 24,2001 from Shaun Mackie about the frequency of water sampling in Cape Dorset. This is to confirm the issue about misinformation received by Mr. Mackie. The municipality does take water samples every Tuesday morning and immediately takes the sample to the nurse's station. From there it is put on the afternoon plane (First Air) to the iqaliut lab for analysis. The lab in Iqaliut only does their analysis once a month and sends a report of the findings to the S.A.O. Heather Hackney Head Nurse indicated that some samples sit at the airport awaiting pickup from the lab, this does

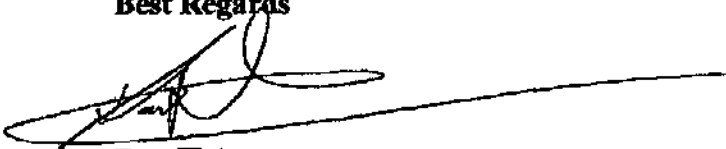
pose a problem that the samples could be over the 24hour limit for sampling.

As the Municipality of Cape Dorset does meet the health and safety standards as set out in the directive, I would suggest that the lab test the samples sent on a weekly basis, therefore this would eliminate any confusion on the frequency of samples sent by the municipality. I believe that because of the e-coli that happened earlier this year in Walkerton that the samples should be done as soon as they are received as a one-month delay could cause major health problems in the community if it does contain bacteria.

According to their current sample test frequency the information the community receives once a month is 5 weeks old.

Should you require any further information please feel free to contact me at your convenience

Best Regards

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Don Holmes

Director of Municipal Works