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Good day Bhabesh,

In followup to our conversation on Wednesday December 10, 2008 I am pleased to provide you with an update on the files of interest regarding Clyde River, Kimmirut and Arctic Bay. I do hope these meet your request.

Clyde River:

Following our discussion and your clarification on the effluent quality limits imposed within the licence, Items 8 and 9, and discussions internally within the NWB it was duly noted that the NWB may have interpreted the information provided within the design brief as those levels which would be expected to be achieved at the outfalls of the sewage lagoon and the proposed wetland treatment and had incorporated those into the Licence as maximum allowable levels. Currently, there is an application for renewal in process with the NWB and it is anticipated that the issue of the discharge limits will be addressed during the final technical review of the application and comments received from interested parties.

As you are aware, the application has now been distributed for review (after having received the additional information/clarification from yourself) with a deadline of January 8, 2009. You may want to consider providing your thoughts on the amended licence and where items need to be addressed with the renewal, giving justification for all requests made.

During our discussion, the 1992 Guidelines were mentioned and that the "established guideline" of 120/180 for BOD/TSS respectively should be applied as it has in other communities. Please keep in mind that the guideline takes into account location of discharge and rate of discharge when applying the recommended limits, and that these do remain subject to Board consideration, and possibly stricter limits may be applied. Although the 120/180 has been adopted as a "standard", this may have been a misinterpretation of the guideline for an 'across the board application' from a number of years past. If the location of discharge is considered along with the anticipated flow rate (Lcd), then the guideline of 80/70 is most likely applicable. These remain to be discussed.

Following the close of the review period January 8, 2009, the application will be given a final technical review with a recommendation made to the Board. The intent is that the renewal and the prior issued amendment be combined into one working document. Your concerns with respect to the limits imposed in the amended licence will be address at that time. There is a possibility that the criteria will be addressed earlier at an In-person Board meeting, however without a written request for amendment and taking into consideration the time of year and that discharge would not be planned to take place until the following season, the concerns can be addressed in a timely manner with the renewal process.

Kimmirut:

The review process for the Kimmirut renewal/amendment application is near complete,

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