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via Email to: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

## RE: NWB FILE # 3BM-GRI – HAMLET OF GRISE FIORD – RENEWAL WATER LICENCE APPLICATION

Dear Ms. Beaulieu:

The Government of Nunavut, Department of Environment (DOE) has reviewed the Water Licence (3BM-GRI) renewal application from the Hamlet of Grise Fiord, and has the following comments and recommendations to make based on the *Environmental Protection Act*.

The Hamlet of Grise Fiord has applied for a water licence renewal. However, information needed to properly review the water licence application from the Hamlet is missing. This includes, but is not limited to the following:

- Operation and maintenance plan,
- Spill contingency plan,
- Designs and signed engineering drawings,
- Monitoring plans for waste disposal
- Hazardous waste management plan
- Pictures and a maps of the lagoon, bulky metal and landfill sites
- Description of how the Hamlet burns the garbage (e.g. open burning in the landfill)

Given the existing water licence expired on **November 15, 2008**, and recognizing the need for the Hamlet to be operating their facilities under a valid water licence, DOE therefore recommends the water licence should be amended for a short period of time, allowing the Hamlet to submit all the necessary information for review at a later date.

DOE thanks the NWB for the opportunity to provide comments on the Hamlet of Grise Fiord's water licence renewal application. Please contact us if you have further questions.



Yours sincerely,

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