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NAADM LRR Site - Hall Beach, NT (Fox-M) Water Reservoir - Fresh Water Reservoir Repairs

Your 3586-7-4 (NWSO 6) 23 Nov. 93 Ref: a )

- b) Telecon Allie / P. Smith (Nunavut District) 12 Jan. 94
- Your 3586-7-4 (NWSO 6) 20 Jan. 94 C)
- Thank you for the provision of the Frontec Report received under cover of Reference (c) noted above. Copy of that report was in turn provided to members of the DIAND Nunavut District Lands & Water Management Advisory Committee for their information and soliciting their views relevant to the environmental aspects of the report. Views were also solicited related to the degree of seriousness that should apply to the fresh water requirements of the Hamlet of Hall Beach.
- This note should not be interpreted as an assessment of the report but as a congregation of views and suggestions offered by the members of our committee during discussions held on 17 February 1994.
- The Municipal and Community Affairs of the Government of the NWT, the Department of Fisheries & Oceans and the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development participated in those discussions. The Baffin Region Inuit Association was not represented at this meeting (as members of our Advisory Committee BRIA is receiving copy of all correspondence and documentation related to this matter).
- Department of Fisheries and Oceans. DFO identified no specific concerns other than those identified previously in correspondence with your contractor, Frontec. Copy of this previous correspondence (DFO / Frontec) is attached as a matter of information and record.

- 5. Municipal & Community Affairs Government of the NWT Baffin Region. Previous correspondence forwarded to the MACA Department were wrongly addressed to the Kitikmeot Region MACA Office, all such correspondence should be provided to the NWT Government, MACA Office in Iqaluit (see distribution list).
- 6. The GNWT is naturally most sensitive and concerned at the situation in Hall Beach and would wish to enter into discussions with the Department of National Defence at a very early time. Our Advisory Committee recognizes that this is a matter to be addressed solely between your Department and the Government of the NWT and simply wish to encourage both parties to initiate such discussions / negotiations at the earliest possible time. The requirements for fresh water provision to the Hamlet of Hall Beach (and the Long Range Radar Site at Hall Beach) was foremost in the considerations provided that point in our discussions.
- 7. Department of Indian Affairs & Northern Development. The report provided for review is considered as a initial advisory document not requiring in-depth review and comments. We believe it is a good information step in your initial considerations and your attempt to find a practical and reasonable solution to the difficulties identified to date.
- 8. The DIAND Nunavut District will provide the information provided our office to the Water Management Branch of our Regional Office (Yellowknife) to instill an initial awareness of the problem encountered in Hall Beach and further indicate to them that it is being addressed.
- 9. You may wish to assume that the NWT Water Board will also be made aware of this matter. By copy of this documentation we are requesting our Water Management Branch that no further action should be initiated at this time at the NWT Region (DIAND NAP NWT Region) level and that we should await provision of formal design and planning submission before giving considerations to this exercise.

- 10. We believe that time and planning space should be provided DND and the Government NWT time to give proper consideration to the opportunities at hand before other agencies or organizations become or are solicited to be involved.
- 11. The provision of previous information is appreciated. We would further appreciate being kept informed of development we would, in turn, keep members of the Nunavut District Land and Water Management Advisory Board fully informed.

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