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via Email to: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

RE: NWB FILE # 3BM-KUG0308 – Hamlet of Kugluktuk – Water Licence Renewal Application

Dear Ms. Beaulieu:

The Government of Nunavut, Department of Environment (DOE) has reviewed the water license renewal application from the Hamlet of Kugluktuk and has the following comments and recommendations to make based on the *Environmental Protection Act* regarding Operation and Maintenance (O & M) and Spill Contingency Planning.

Operation and Maintenance

Although de-sludging procedures are discussed in section 3.8.3 of the *Detailed Design Report for the Improvements to the Sewage Treatment Facility and Solid Waste Management Facility* (page 40) as well as stated on page 21 to be further described in the *Sewage Treatment Facility O & M Plan*, detailed de-sludging procedures are not included in the O & M Plan.

DOE therefore recommends the O & M Plan be updated to include a detailed description of desludging procedures including but not limited to, when (time of year) and how the desludging operation is to be carried out, where the sludge will be disposed of, and how it will be treated prior to disposal.

Spill Contingency

DOE requests that the *Environmental Emergency Contingency Plan* be updated to include the following in Appendix A Contact Information:

Government of Nunavut - Department of Environment – Manager, Pollution Control & Air Quality

Phone (867) 975-7748 Fax (867) 975-7739

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

Yours sincerely,

Original signed by

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