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Dear Mr. Ng:

On April 30, 2015, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) Water Resource Officers, Field Operations met with you and Hamlet Works Foreman, Mr. Joe Kaludjak and Ms. Meagan Lusty of CGS to discuss compliance objectives for the water licence 3BM-RAN1214. As a result of this meeting it was determined that many of the requirements included in the 'multi-year municipal compliance summary' provided by AANDC in 2012 had been met. It was also noted during the meeting that many of the requirements from recent inspections had also been met.

Determination

It has been determined by AANDC that any relevant items not mentioned in this document as 'outstanding items' that were not submitted as required in a water licence, compliance requirements in previous inspections reports, or mentioned in the 'multi-year municipal compliance summary' have either been fulfilled or are being fulfilled through the Municipal Water Licence Compliance Working Group initiative which includes Municipal, Government of Nunavut and Federal Government representative involvement or through a water licence renewal/amendment with the Nunavut Water Board (NWB).

AANDC also recognizes that the current water licence is expired and that a renewal application has been submitted to the NWB.

To this end, AANDC has determined that it is not in the public interest to pursue further action beyond the items initiated through the Municipal Water Licence Compliance Working Group and the items listed below or items that may be detected in future inspections.

Outstanding Items

AANDC requests that the following requirements are met and will be verified during the 2015 municipal inspection season:

1. The Hamlet and CGS suggested that the existing landfarm was being decommissioned and that CGS would work the GN Department of Environment (DoE) to ensure that applicable guidelines would be followed when moving soils to an acceptable facility.



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The SAO/and or CGS is required to provide notice to the Inspector and NWB that GN Environment has been contacted to provide guidance prior to work being undertaken.*

2. The Hamlet is required to prevent any open barrels or drums that may contain substances that would be considered a waste, for the purpose of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*, from overtopping by taking actions to prevent additional water or snow from entering any barrels or drums. The Hamlet is also required to take all reasonable measures to prevent such barrels or drums within the Hamlet from leaking or being spilled where it is reasonable that such a spill may enter water.*

* Correspondence received from Ms. Megan Lusty, Municipal Planning Engineer-In-Training with CGS on May 14, 2015 has confirmed a commitment to work with the Hamlet of Rankin Inlet to assist with the decommissioning of the landfarm in consultation with DoE and following established guidelines. Ms. Lusty has also confirmed that CGS will assist in the securing of any barrels or drums mentioned in Item 2 above.

Sincerely,

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