



## Inspection Report

**License #:** 3BM-RES (unlicensed)

**Inspector:** A. Keim

**CIDMS #** 277070

Client	Municipality of Resolute Bay		
Mailing Address	Box 60		
Inspection site location	Resolute Bay , Nunavut		
Contact name	Ralph Alexander	Title	A/SAO
Last inspection date	July 11, 2008		
Inspection start date	August 1, 2007		
Region	Qikiqtani		



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**RE: Water License Inspection Resolute Bay July 11th, 2008**

The Inspector would like to thank Ralph Alexander the A/Senior Administrative Officer for the Municipality of Resolute Bay, Nunavut for taking the time to meet during the Inspection. Mr. Alexander's input into the activities of the Municipality and the separation in areas of operation and responsibility between the Government of Nunavut and the Hamlet within the municipality was invaluable to the Inspection process.

The Municipality continues to be unlicensed however the Municipality has applied for a water license to address their sole area of responsibility that of the municipal bulk waste management areas.

The following report is based on observations made at the time of the inspection in Resolute Bay on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

**Waste Disposal Area :**

The Municipality currently is operating two solid waste management areas within the municipal boundaries. The municipal wastes management area and bulk metal wastes areas were inspected.

No samples were collected at either site as ground structure is gravel and composite materials thus minimizing any standing water or above ground flow.

It should be noted that visible on site in the bulk metals waste area were hazardous materials including; batteries, old snow machines and kitchen appliances. The area needs to be sorted and the hazardous materials segregated out and stored properly.

The burn and bury area for wood and municipal wastes was also littered with hazardous materials. Some of which were being burned during the period of inspection.

The Municipality of Resolute Bay is currently unlicensed and operating in violation of the Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act.

During the inspection of Resolute Bay a number of these issues were brought to the attention of Mr. Alexander who stated that the Government of Nunavut was applying on the Municipalities behalf for a new water license to cover the waste management areas.



A review of the Nunavut Water Board FTP site found a document addressed to Mr. Bhabesh Roy, Municipal Works Planning Engineer, Dept of Community and Government Services, Government of Nunavut.

This letter dated May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 outlined that a number of deficiencies with the submitted application for a new water license currently exist and included a request to provide a new application with full and complete information. The Nunavut Water Board went on to state that the items identified in the 2006 and 2007 inspection reports must also be addressed as part of the new application submission.

A reply to this request could not be located on the Nunavut Water Board FTP site.

**Non-Compliance:** Issues identified during the inspection and/or review of relevant material.

**Issues with a known or anticipated human health impacts;**

- Open burning of Municipal wastes containing hazardous materials was noted at the municipal land farm.

**Issues where there is a known or anticipated environmental impairment;**

- Large bulk wastes are not segregated and there appears to be a lack of containment for hazardous materials at the Bulk metals waste area.
- The process of land filling and burying bulk wastes should be reviewed and a plan submitted to address the numerous bury sites in the general area.

**Issues where there is a known or suspected violation of a requirement of the Water License or Act;**

- The Municipality, in cooperation with the Government of Nunavut, must re-apply for a water license before the period of the next inspection.

**The Municipality of Resolute Bay continues to operate in Non-conformity with the Nunavut Water and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunals Act.**

**Andrew Keim**  
**Inspector's Name**

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**Inspector's Signature**

Attached under separate cover;  
Photos taken during the Inspection of July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Cc:

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