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Subject: RE: 7BL-BIL1215 - Bathurst Inlet Lodge Water License Inspection Report and Inspector's Direction
Date: Thursday, September 05, 2013 12:17:21 PM

Mr. Warner,

Thank you very much for this more than detailed explanation of your position and justification.

The position of this office was made clear to you in our conversation on the 3rd of September and was outlined in the facts detailed in the Inspector's Direction both e-mailed to you and sent Registered mail to your offices in Yellowknife.

While I respect your opinion, one you have shared in both email and in conversation, it is not one that I share at this time.

I again strongly suggest that in compliance with the direction you undertake such effort as is required to comply with the terms as outlined. I might also suggest that given there is likely a common interest in seeing the work successfully undertaken by the deadline both by yourself and by the Government of Nunavut, specifically the Petroleum Products Division out of Rankin Inlet, you may wish to contact them to see if opportunities to work together may exist.

I look forward to reviewing your submission due on September 30th, 2013.

Respectfully,

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Dear Mr Keim;

Thank you for your time on the phone. I will make sure we comply with the dates set out in your email for both (a) and (b).

I think we still have some misunderstanding on the issue of the fuel drums mentioned in (c).

Approximately 13 yrs ago the Government of Nunavut took over the fuel at Bathurst Inlet and has since then sold fuel to the local Inuit, the lodge and many other third parties. We feel that you are singling out Bathurst Lodge from other third parties in the area of responsibility for empty drums that are the responsibility of the Govt of Nunavut. The lodge cannot be asked to be responsible for drums if no other third parties are.

Prior to the Govt taking over the fuel the lodge ran the fuel program. When we owned it we backhauled all the empties on barges regularly. When the Government took over they then assumed this responsibility and now must assume the liability. The lodge was clean and free of this stockpile of empties when the government took over.

All our invoices show we purchased a product and there was never any mention drums. Bathurst Inlet Lodge cannot be treated any differently than any other third party user. If it is yours or the Government of Nunavut's position that the lodge is responsible for gasoline or diesel drums than you and they must also contend and hold accountable ALL other users both private and corporate as well. Bathurst is not the only location where this practice has taken place. A good example is Umingmaktok (Bay Chimo) that is also located in Bathurst Inlet. Is the Government of Nunavut suggesting all the people of Umingmaktok are now responsible for the empty drums there?

The lodge does and will take responsibility for those drums it brought on site. These would mostly consist of 100 LL (aviation drums) as this was a product the government did not supply and we had to bring in ourselves. There were however other companies that brought in 100LL as well. We did not bring in diesel or gasoline as these were always purchased from PPD.

Names on the drums can be confusing and do not prove ownership. Many drums were flown into Bathurst by various air companies for various clients especially in the heat of the diamond rush. As Bathurst was a common destination a lot of drums were marked Bathurst or BIL but that was simply to identify the location they were to be sent to. As a good example many of the red gas drums say Bathurst on them yet are owned by the Govt of Nunavut.

The lodge does not fly in turbo fuel as we have no need for it other than very recently (2013) using it as burn fuel for chartered aircraft. We have never purchased and flown any in for lodge use until this fall when we flew in two drums of Jet A at the end of the season.

There is a long history of the Government failing to have the empties removed and this is causing the problem we see up there today.

On site at this time the Lodge owns less than 20 full drums. It does have a few empties but those can be removed in one backhaul of a twin otter which we plan to do next spring.

If you have photos of the drums your are claiming belong to the lodge I will be happy to review these with you.

I am very happy to hear you have advised the government that the drums must be cleaned up by Sept 2014 as we have been requesting this and have even submitted proposals in the past to have this

done. Every year they promise to do so and every year it does not happen.

Our plan would therefore be to backhaul those drums and other materials we are responsible for on flights next summer.

If there is other information you require me to submit prior to Sept 30th deadline, please advise. As mentioned we will be submitting the documents you requested in A and B in accordance with the schedule in your email.

Sincerely,

Boyd Warner

Bathurst Inlet Lodge