

NWB File: 8AC-EUR----

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Subject: Application for Amendment to Water Licence No: 8BC-EUR2131;

Environment and Climate Change Canada;

Confirmation of Technical Meeting and Pre-hearing Conference

Dear Jean-Philippe Cloutier-Dussault,

Further to the Nunavut Water Board's (NWB or Board) correspondence¹ of June 6, 2023, with respect to the technical review of the Application for amendment to Water Licence No: 8BC-EUR2131 submitted by Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC or Applicant) for the Eureka High Arctic Weather Station Project (Project), the Board received comments² from Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA).

Copies of the comments received from intervening parties, submissions from the Applicant and all documents associated with the Application have been placed in the Board's Public Registry and made available through the NWB's FTP site using the following link:

ftp://ftp.nwb-oen.ca/registry/8 MISCELLANEOUS/8A/8AC - Camp/8AC-EUR---- ECCC

On July 18, 2023, the Applicant provided responses to intervener comments. The Applicant is advised to review all submissions, including intervening parties' comments on the technical review of the Application in preparation for the upcoming Technical Meeting and Pre-Hearing Conference.

As stated in its June 6, 2023 correspondence, the Board directed the NWB staff to hold a Technical Meeting and Pre-hearing Conference (TM/PHC) via teleconference in the week of August 7, 2023. On July 6, 2023, the NWB received correspondence from ECCC requesting that the TM/PHC be

¹ Karén Kharatyan (NWB) to Jean-Philippe Cloutier-Dussault (Agnico Eagle), Re: Application for Amendment to Water Licence No: 8BC-EUR2131; Environment and Climate Change Canada, dated June 6, 2023.

² Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA), June 30, 2023.

conducted at a later date. Therefore, the NWB advises the parties that <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>September 6</u>, <u>2023 and Thursday</u>, <u>September 7</u>, <u>2023</u> are set as dates for the Technical Meeting and Prehearing Conference, respectively, via teleconference and Zoom link.

In preparation for the TM/PHC, the Board has attached a copy of a draft Agenda and requests that interested parties provide relevant comments to the NWB's Licensing Department at licensing@nwb-oen.ca by 3:00 p.m. MT, Friday, August 23, 2023. In addition to comments on the draft Agenda, interested parties are asked to also provide the following information along with their submissions:

- Confirm the attendance of their organization, group or individual;
- Provide the names of the individuals who will be participating on their behalf in the TM and PHC respectively; and
- Identify whether they wish to make a formal presentation of their submissions during the Technical Meeting.

Following receipt of this information, the NWB will distribute a final version of the Agenda in advance of the TM/PHC, as well as the names of the participating organizations and/or persons who have confirmed their attendance.

The Applicant and intervening parties intending to make presentations during the TM/PHC must provide to the NWB, for public distribution and posting on the Board's registry, copies of their presentation materials (including the Applicant's and interveners' presentations). These materials should be provided in English, Inuktitut and French, preferably in PDF/PowerPoint format, no later than <u>3:00 p.m. MT, August 23, 2023.</u> It should be noted that intervening parties are expected to indicate during their presentations whether the issues that they have identified were or will be addressed by ECCC to their satisfaction prior to the Public Hearing (PH).

If you have any questions or require clarification on the above, please contact Assol Kubeisinova, Technical Advisor, at (867) 360-6338 or by email at assol.kubeisinova@nwb-oen.ca, or Karén Kharatyan, Director of Technical Services, at (867) 360-6338 or by email at karen.kharatyan@nwb-oen.ca for any technical inquiries, or Richard Dwyer, Manager of Licensing, at (867) 360-6338 or by email licensing@nwb-oen.ca for any procedural or administrative inquiries.

Sincerely,

Richard Dwyer Manager of Licensing

cc. Distribution List—Qikiqtani



DRAFT AGENDA

TECHNICAL MEETING AND PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE—EUREKA HIGH ARCTIC WEATHER STATION PROJECT

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO WATER LICENCE NO: 8BC-EUR2131

TECHNICAL MEETING

Date: September 6, 2023

Time: 9:00AM – 5:00PM (CT)

Teleconference Call-In Information: Information will be provided with the final Agenda

1. Introduction and registration.

- 2. Application to the Board, NWB Opening Remarks (15 minutes).
- 3. Purpose of the Technical Meeting.
- 4. Technical Review of the Application:
 - a) Presentation by Applicant (30-45 minutes);
 - b) Identification of Intervening Parties;
 - c) Presentations by Intervening Parties (30 minutes per party);
 - d) Discussion of Commitments to address Technical Issues; and
 - e) Formulation of Outstanding Issues.

Health Breaks – 15-20 minutes



DRAFT AGENDA—CONTINUED

TECHNICAL MEETING AND PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE— EUREKA HIGH ARCTIC WEATHER STATION PROJECT

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO WATER LICENCE NO: 8BC-EUR2131

PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE

Date: September 7, 2023 Time: 9:00 AM (CT)

Teleconference Call-In Information: Information will be provided with the final Agenda

- 1. Identify issues preventing Application from proceeding to a Public Hearing.
- 2. Discuss form, timing and location for any potential Public Hearing.
- 3. Establish timetable for the pre-hearing exchange of information, including:
 - a. preparation and service of documents to parties (deadlines, form, public registry);
 - b. document translation requirements; and
 - c. documentation to be included in the hearing record.
- 4. Finalize the list of issues to be dealt with at the Public Hearing.
- 5. Identify interested parties.
- 6. Identify any changes to Application for the purposes of clarification.
- 7. Final procedures to be followed at the Public Hearing, including:
 - a. requested modifications to the applicable NWB *Rules of Practice and Procedure for Public Hearing* (May 2005); and
 - b. language requirements at the Public Hearing.
- 8. Consider any other matters that may aid in the simplification and disposition of the Application at the Public Hearing.
- 9. Other Issues.
- 10. Closing of the Meeting.