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Re: 3BC-BAF0919 – QA/QC Plan for Sampling at both the Final Discharge Point of the Bermed Fuel Storage Facilities and Final Discharge Point of Sewage Treatment Facility – Brevoort Island – BAF-3 – Department National Defense.

Please be advised that Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) has completed a review of the QA/QC plan for both the bermed fuel storage and sewage treatment facilities final discharge points for water license 3BC-BAF0919 (Brevoort Island) submitted by Nasittuq Corp. on behalf of Department of National Defence. The NWB circulated the QA/QC plans for information purposes only on February 12, 2010. All associated documents related to the QA/QC plans are posted on the NWB ftp site under 3BC-BAF0919 were included in my review (See attached Technical Review Memo).

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-4282 or by email at Ian.Parsons@inac.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Cc. Lou-Ann Cornacchio, Manager of Water Resources – Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Nunavut Regional Office



Technical Review Memorandum

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From: Ian Parsons – Water Resources Technician, Indian & Northern Affairs Canada.

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Background

The Brevoort Island is an island found off the east coast of Baffin Island approximately 250km northeast of Iqaluit. It is an unmanned Long Range Radar Station for the North Warning System. The site is visited by staff, quarterly, for preventative and maintenance requirements. Between the months of May-September the site may return to manned status. Existing facilities at Brevoort Island BAF-3 consists of site buildings, a freshwater intake, 2 854,000L water storage tanks, bermed fuel storage area and one incinerating toilet. As well the site has a sewage disposal system which consists of; a septic tank with outfall pipe which discharges to the land. The site also contains a landfarm for the remediation of contaminated soil that resulted from a fuel spill in 2007 and has an abandoned airstrip.

Recommendations/Comments

QA/QC Plan for sampling from Final Discharge Point of Bermed Fuel Storage Facility

INAC has no issues with the QA/QC plan for sampling from Final Discharge Point of Bermed Fuel Storage Facility submitted as a requirement of the license. However INAC recommends the submission of GPS coordinates and a map of the sampling sites. As well it is noted that the submission was pass the 90 day time requirement for the QA/QC plan as per water license 3BC-BAF0919.



QA/QC Plan for Sampling from Final Discharge Point of Sewage Treatment Facility

INAC has no issues with the QA/QC plan for sampling from Final Discharge Point of Sewage Treatment Facility submitted as a requirement of the license. However like the first QA/QC plan INAC recommends that GPS coordinates and map of the sampling locations accompany the plan. Again, like the previous plan, it is also noted that this submission was also pass the 90 day time requirement for the QA/QC plan as per water license 3BC-BAF0919.

As well INAC would recommend that its previous comments, submitted on March 12, in regards to the sewage disposal update be also taken into consideration at this time.

The proponent at the time was requested by the board to submit a Sewage Disposal Update as a result of information indicating that sewage was being pumped directly into the environment. Until this problem is rectified then the QA/QC plan submitted has no relevance.

Nasittuq Corp. on behalf of the Department of National Defence is required to provide the Nunavut Water Board all outstanding information referred to above in order to comply with the current water license 3BC-BAF0919.

Cc. Lou-Ann Cornacchio, Manager of Water Resources – Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Nunavut Regional Office
Peter Kusugak, District Manager – Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Nunavut Regional Office