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Licensing Department,
Nunavut Water Board
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**Re: 8BC-ERK1621 – Department of Defence – Eureka Station – COVID-19
Global Pandemic Related Constraints**

Dear Licensing Department,

The Department of National Defence (DND) - 8 Wing Trenton Environmental Management Office is providing this letter in response to the current logistical and preventative public health measures associated with the COVID-19 Global Pandemic.

DND - 8 Wing Trenton Environmental Management Office typically plans site visits during the months of June and July to coincide with the annual communications maintenance which takes place at Canadian Forces Station (CFS) Eureka.

Due to logistical and preventative public health constraints associated with COVID-19 and transport in the Arctic, there are no planned travels between Eureka and Alert this summer, so 8 Wing Trenton Environmental Management Office is unable to perform the monitoring. As a result of these unforeseen circumstances, there will be no data to present in the 2021 annual report due on March 31, 2022.

Should the COVID-19 status change and travel be available, DND - 8 Wing Trenton Environmental Management Office will endeavour to collect as much data required to be compliant with the water licence conditions.

Due to these challenging times, DND would like to ask for consideration from the Nunavut Water Board in the event of a potential two year lapse (2020 & 2021) in data collection at DND Eureka, Nunavut.

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

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