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Dear Mr. Keim,

In accordance with the Inspector's Direction issued by your department, this letter outlines the actions that DND has taken, or plans to take, to address the referenced alleged contravention of the *Nunavut Water and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunals Act* and the stop work order given to personnel on-site in Eureka, Nunavut.

The use of the fuel bladders has ceased and the Eureka facility is now unoccupied. The Air Force's Construction Engineers are now engaged in examining available options, such as upgrading the existing installation or replacing the bladders entirely with double-walled tanks, and will have a solution in place prior to the commencement of next year's operations. Once a decision on the proposed solution has been made, your office will be supplied with the relevant information.

The process for applying for a license under the Act has also been initiated and it is expected an application will be submitted in the near future.

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Queries regarding this matter should be directed to A4 Construction Engineering,  
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Sincerely,

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