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Nunavut Water Board
Attn: Richard Dwyer
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Re: Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Small Craft Harbours’- Arctic Bay Small Craft Harbour Development – NWB Annual Report 2025-26

Dear Richard Dwyer:

On December 17, 2021, Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) completed its review of the Arctic Bay Harbour Development project and issued a Type- B water licence 8BC-ABH2125 to Fisheries and Oceans- Small Craft Harbours (DFO-SCH).

As identified in Part B: General Conditions section of the licence, an annual report of construction activities is due by March 31st.

DFO-SCH would like to report that no work was conducted in 2025.

It is anticipated that Arctic Bay Harbour Development project will begin within 2026. This will include mobilization to site, camp setup and minor road modifications. The proposed quarry site will be investigated, followed by the start of quarry operations. In addition, the harbour site will be cleared of shoreline debris and prepared for the offloading of equipment and materials from the sealift.

As outlined in the water licence, DFO-SCH is required to submit an amendment to the licence which includes a description of water use and the construction work plans for the project prior to the commencement of work in 2026. Our recently hired contractor is working diligently on these items, which are expected to be submitted in the near future.

If you have any questions, please contact me by email at eleanor.mcewan@dfo-mpo.gc.ca .

Yours sincerely,

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