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Dear Mayor Redfern, Ms. Ehaloak, and Mr. Barry:

I am aware that on July 27, 2018, the Chief Medical Officer of Health for the Government of Nunavut issued an emergency direction to the City of Iqaluit to immediately supplement the drinking water reservoir in Lake Geraldine before October 1, 2018, to ensure adequate water supply for residents through the coming winter season. The City of Iqaluit is therefore intending to undertake activities forthwith to replenish the reservoir that are described in its request for an emergency amendment to its water licence made to the Nunavut Water Board on August 1, 2018.

I have considered this information and am convinced that the City of Iqaluit is at risk of a shortage of drinking water for the winter, which would place the health of Iqaluit residents at risk. I therefore certify that, pursuant to paragraph 152(1)(c) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, an emergency exists and it is in the interest of ensuring the health of the general public that this project be carried out without delay. The City of Iqaluit may therefore carry out this project without being subject to Part 3 of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*. This certification only extends to the temporary works and activities intended to address the emergency replenishment of Lake Geraldine for the coming winter.

Please note that the subsection 152(2) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project*Assessment Act describes requirements to submit reports to the Nunavut Planning

Commission and the Nunavut Impact Review Board as soon as practicable after

undertaking this emergency project. I trust the City will comply with these requirements,
and I am confident that it will take the necessary measures over the longer term to
address the water supply issues that led to this emergency situation.

Sincerely,

Hon. Carolyn Bennett, M.D., P.C., M.P.

c.c.: The Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, P.C., M.P.

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