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Sherri Rowe

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RE: [City of Iqaluit Application for Water License Amendment on Emergency Basis 2019 Apex River and Unnamed Lake Supplementation Project]

Dear Ms. Rowe:

Thank you for your letter dated August 1, 2019, regarding the City of Iqaluit's application to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) to amend its water License 3AM-IQA1626 on an emergency basis to allow the withdrawal water from Apex River and the Unnamed River in 2019. You requested "concurrence... that section 152 (1) of the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act applies to the above-noted application." The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) does not give an opinion on the validity or effect of the declaration of an emergency by the territorial Minister, and the City bears the risk of proceeding with the project without first submitting a project to the NPC as is required by the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA).

If the City of Iqaluit elects to rely on the Minister's declaration of emergency and proceeds with the above-noted project under section 152(1) of the NuPPAA, as soon as practicable after undertaking the project the City must submit a written report to the NPC, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB), and the federal Minister under section 152(2) of the NuPPAA. The NPC and the NIRB may submit written reports to the federal Minister in respect of the project. The City of Iqaluit's report, together with any report prepared by the NPC, shall be published in the NPC's public registry in accordance with section 201(1)(a) of the NuPPAA.

Best regards,

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