

## **GWICH'IN LAND AND WATER BOARD**

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File: G15L8-001 G15L8-002

GNWT Department of Transportation Attention Gurdev Jagpal Box 2038 Inuvik, NT XOE 0T0

Re: Amended Water Licences G15L8-001 (Peel River Ferry Landings) and G15L8-002 (Mackenzie River Ferry Landings)

Mr. Jagpal,

The Gwich'in Land and water Board met on May 18, 2016 to review the Department of Transportation's request to amend Water Licences G15L8-001 and G15L8-002. In consideration of information submitted by DOT, as well written comments and submissions received by the Board during the review period, the Board has approved the requested amendments to the following Sections of the Licences:

- 1. Part B, Section 5
- 2. Part B, Section 6 a) and c)
- 3. Part B, Section 7

The Board has rejected the DOT's request to remove **Part B: Section 8** from the Licence, but has extended the deadline for submission to October 31, 2016 to allow for time to prepare the report.

The Board's Reasons for Decision have been attached, as have letters of advice from GNWT Environment and Natural Resources, the Gwich'in Social and Cultural Institute, the Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board, the Gwichya Gwich'in Council, and the Tetlit Renewable Resources Council. We trust you have reviewed these documents as they do provide information regarding legal requirements under the jurisdiction of the respective departments, as well as stated preferences and requests by the reviewers for your consideration.

The amended Licences and Cover Pages are attached for your records. Should you have any questions regarding these files, please contact AlecSandra Macdonald by phone at 867-777-6622 or by email at amacdonald@glwb.com.

Sincerely,

Paul Sullivan, Chair

cc:

Stephen Charlie – Regional Superintendent – ENR – Inuvik Region
Rhonda Batchelor – Director – Environmental Affairs Division, Dept. of Transportation