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To all parties,

Re: Distribution of Draft Imperial Oil Water Licence

The Sahtu Land and Water Board (SLWB) has directed staff to circulate a preliminary draft of the Imperial Oil Water Licence for interveners to consider when preparing submissions.

Staff prepared the preliminary draft Licence based on conditions in the existing Imperial Oil Water Licence for oil and gas production and operations. Board Staff have also included a number of conditions based on standards and process consistencies adopted by all Land and Water Boards in the NWT.

The purpose of this draft is to allow parties to address staff's suggested conditions for the Licence in their public hearing interventions and presentations to the Board, and to prepare submissions setting out their positions with respect to these provisions at the close of the proceeding. The staff have developed and are circulating a draft Licence which is intended to help focus discussion on appropriate conditions for the Imperial Oil Water Licence.

Staff have prepared the draft Water Licence without input from the Board regarding the contents of the draft, and the Board will not review the draft. The Board is not bound by the contents of the draft Licence and will make its decision at the close of the proceeding on the basis of all the evidence and arguments filed by all parties.

These draft materials are not intended to limit in any way the scope of parties' interventions, contributions and questioning at the public hearing.

If you have any questions please contact Tony Morris at tony.morris@slwb.com or at 867-598-2413 ext. 223.

Sincerely,

Larry Wallace
Chair, SLWB