



## Sahtu Land and Water Board

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S15L8-001

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Dear Ms. Ward

**RE: Issuance of Type 'B' Water Licence  
S15L8-001 – Great Bear Lake Remediation Program**

The Sahtu Land and Water Board (Board or SLWB) met on July 24, 2015 to review the Water Licence renewal and amendment request. The Board identified additional amendments to the Water Licence and Surveillance Network Program (SNP) and, in accordance with paragraph 37(b)(i) of the *Waters Act* and Part B, Item 7 of the Water Licence (S09L8-001), has amended the Water Licence and SNP at their discretion. These changes improve the clarity of the Licence and are in the best interest of the Board, the Licensee and the public.

We have attached Water Licence S15L8-001 granted by the Board in accordance with the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*. This License has been approved for a period of two (2) years commencing July 24, 2015 and expiring July 23, 2017. Outlined in the conditions of the Licence the Board requires the following:

- A **Waste Management Plan** be submitted to the Board for approval prior to the commencement of site activities as per Part D, Item 2.
- An updated **Spill Contingency Plan** be submitted to the Board for approval prior to the commencement of site activities as per Part H, Item 3.
- An updated **Engagement Plan**, the Engagement Plan submitted on May 26, 2015, has not been approved by the Board as it does not meet the basic requirements of the Board's *Engagement and Consultation Policy* and will be considered Version 1.0.
  - The Board requires Version 1.1 include reference to DEMCo Ltd. as an affected party due to the overlap of access rights at the Terra Site; and
  - The Board requires Version 1.1 include an engagement 'triggers table' as outlined in Appendix F of the Engagement Guidelines as per Part B, Item 11 and Item 12.
- An updated **Water Quality Monitoring Program** submitted to the Board for approval within 180 days of the effective date of this Licence, as per Part E, Item 1.

- The **Surveillance Network Program** has been amended to include two additional locations associated with water intake from Camsell River and Great Bear Lake. The sampling and analysis requirements are provided in Annex A, Part B, Item 1.
- The parameters that Process Water are required to meet have been updated to exclude toxicology testing and include a Concentration Limit for phenols, as per Part D, Item 1.
- An **Annual Summer Site Inspection** complete as per Part E, Item 4.
- The **Annual Report** will include a discussion on progress towards the development of Phase II and III of the complete program, and a section on the status of the Denison Winter Road Land Use Permit application (MV2011E0007).
- Updated **Remediation Action Plans** that reflect progress made towards the Implementation Schedules.
- We have attached a Map that details our current data of mineral tenure rights and authorizations in the vicinity of the Great Bear Lake Remediation Program area.

The Board acknowledges the cooperative effort put forth by CARD during the Water Licence renewal process. The Board reminds CARD that commitments made in the application and in response to stakeholder concerns are enforceable, similar to conditions of this Licence.

A copy of this Water Licence will be filed on the Public Registry at the office of the SLWB. Please be advised that this letter, all Inspection Reports, and correspondence related to this file is part of the Public Registry and is intended to keep all interested parties informed of the manner in which the Water Licence requirements are being met.

Your continued cooperation is anticipated and appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sabrina Sturman at (867) 598-2413 ext. 224 or email at [sabrina.sturman@slwb.com](mailto:sabrina.sturman@slwb.com).

Sincerely,

**Sabtu Land and Water Board**



Larry Wallace  
Chair

Attached:

1. Map: Authorizations and Mineral Tenure in Vicinity of Great Bear Lake Remediation Program
2. Water Licence S15L8-001