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Community Government of Whatì
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Attention: Sherbaz Muhammad, Senior Administrative Officer

File Number	W2017L3-0002
Type of Operation	CLASS B - MUNICIPAL
Location	Whatì, NT

Dear Mr. Sherrbaz Muhammad,

An inspection of the above noted licence was conducted on March 16, 2024 by Water Resource Officer Nahum Lee. Enclosed is a copy of the municipal water use inspection report.

All facilities were in excellent condition. If you have any questions, please contact me at 867-767-9187 ex.24193.

Sincerely,

Nahum Lee
Water Resource Officer
Environment and Climate Change
North Slave Region

Cc: Scott Stewart – North Slave Regional Superintendent, ECC
Wendy Bidwell – Senior Water Resource Officer, ECC
Rick Walbourne – Water Regulatory & Assessment Manager, ECC
Roberta Judas – Regulatory Specialist, WLWB



MUNICIPAL WATER USE INSPECTION REPORT

LICENCE #:	W2017L3-0002	EXPIRY DATE:	September 21, 2027
LICENCEE:	Community Government of Whatì	PREVIOUS INSPECTION:	June 27, 2024
COMPANY REP:	Senior Administrative Officer	INSPECTION DATE:	October 16, 2024

WASTE DISPOSAL – SEWAGE

Disposal Method		Wetland					
Mechanical	No	Camp Sump	No	Natural Water Body	No	Wetland Treatment	Yes
Continuous Discharge	No	Intermittent Discharge	No	Seasonal Discharge	No	Land Spread	No
Accelerated Biological	No	Other	No				

Indicate: **A - Acceptable** **U - Unacceptable** **N/A - Not Applicable** **N/I - Not Inspected**

Discharge Quality	A	Decant Process & Structures	N/A	Discharge Measurement Device	N/A
Freeboard	A	Sludge Disposal Method	N/I		
Periods Of Discharge	By truckload			SNP Samples Collected	Yes
Effluent Discharge Rates	Unknown				

Sewage Comments:

Freeboard at the area of discharge was acceptable and there was very little effluent in the wetland area (Photo 1). No concerns were noted at the sewage disposal facility.

WASTE DISPOSAL – SOLID WASTE

Disposal Method		Landfill					
Open Dump	No	Landfill	Yes	Burn & Landfill	Yes	Underground	No
Offsite Removal	Yes	Other					
Owner / Operator	Community Government of Whatì						

Indicate: **A - Acceptable** **U - Unacceptable** **N/A - Not Applicable** **N/I - Not Inspected**

Runoff Diversion	N/A	SNP Samples Collected	No
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Solid Waste Comments:

Both solid waste facilities were inspected (Photos 2-4). Segregation of metal waste items is sufficient. The construction waste landfill was being covered during the inspection. Household waste is deposited in the trench landfill.



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GENERAL CONDITIONS/REPORTS/PLANS

Indicate: **A - Acceptable** **U - Unacceptable** **N/A - Not Applicable** **N/I - Not Inspected**

C &R Plan	N/A	Records & Reporting	U	Final Report	N/A
Geotechnical Inspection	N/I	Posting, Signage	A	Contingency Plan	A
Restorations Activities	N/A	Spills	A	O&M Plan	U
Maintenance	U	Modifications	A	Annual Report	A

General Condition Comments

It is noted that Part H, Condition 1 of the Licence states:

The Licensee shall annually review the Operation and Maintenance Plans for the Sewage and Solid Waste Disposal Facilities and shall submit updates to the Plan for approval at the following times:

- a) When necessary to reflect changes in operation or technology; and
- b) Upon the request of an Inspector or the Board.

The Operation and Maintenance Plan has not been updated since the completion of the Tłı̄chq All-Season Road (TASR). In the WLWB’s Reasons for Decision, it directed the Community Government of Whatì to update the plan no later than one year once TASR had opened. The Inspector requested that the Community Government of Whatì submit an updated Operation and Maintenance Plan to reflect operational changes that have occurred after TASR opened by December 31, 2023. The plan is still outstanding. A reminder email was sent by the WLWB on April 22, 2024. Please submit this update to the Operation and Maintenance Plan.

NON-COMPLIANCE/VIOLATIONS OF ACT OR LICENCE

1. **Part B, Condition 4:** The Licensee shall comply with the Surveillance Network Program, with is annexed to and forms part of this Licence, and any amendment to the Surveillance Network Program as may be made by the Board.

Explanatory Remarks: The Community Government of Whatì has not submitted any SNP Sample results to the Inspector. SNP Sampling must be conducted in accordance with Annex 1 of the Licence.

2. **Part H, Condition 1:** The Licensee shall annually review the Operation and Maintenance Plans for the Sewage and Solid Waste Disposal Facilities and shall submit updates to the Plan for approval at the following times:
 - a) When necessary to reflect changes in operation or technology; and
 - b) Upon the request of an Inspector or the Board.

Explanatory Remarks: The Inspector had previously requested that an updated Operation and Management Plan be submitted by December 31, 2023 to address operational changes that have occurred since TASR has opened and to address Board direction. This report has not yet been received by the WLWB and a reminder email was sent on April 22, 2024 regarding this requirement.

Inspector’s Signature: _____



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Photo 1: Sewage disposal area.



Photo 2: Segregation of metal waste.





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Photo 3: Construction waste area has been covered.



Photo 4: Household waste is being deposited in the trench landfill.

