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Subject: Request for Point Lake Intervention Deadline Revision to November 1, 2021
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Hi Rhiana,

As discussed this morning at the Pre-Hearing Conference for the Ekati Water Licence Amendment for the Point Lake Project, Arctic's memo on SFE/NAG testing was received a month later (Oct. 19th) than originally anticipated (Sept. 17th). This delay has resulted in insufficient time for a thorough review of Arctic's memo by GNWT consultants, inclusion of associated recommendations into the GNWT Intervention, and time for senior review and approval prior to the Board's intervention submission deadline of Oct. 28th.

As noted at the Technical Session and the Pre-Hearing Conference, the geochemical characterization of the waste rock, as well as the seepage water quality are subjects of concern for several stakeholders who intend to submit interventions. The GNWT wants to ensure that a thorough review of the data provided by Arctic is completed prior to the submission of our Intervention.

Following discussion between parties during the Pre-Hearing Conference, Board staff suggested that a day or two of additional time could be granted for the preparation of Interventions for those parties who feel it would be valuable. Board staff indicated that this extra time would not impact any subsequent dates or deadlines in the current work plan.

Arctic stated their support for Board staff's suggestion of allowing an extra day or two for parties to submit their intervention given the delay in providing the SFE/NAG testing memo.

GNWT appreciates the above suggestion from Board staff, as well as the support indicated from Arctic, and would like to request that our Intervention submission deadline be revised to November 1st, 2021.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information or rationale.

Thanks very much,

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