



September 05, 2018

Mr. Roger Connelly
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RE: N7L1-1835 – INUVIK TO TUKTOYAKTUK HIGHWAY (ITH) PROJECT
Request for Extension For Submission of Information as Requested in IWB May 4, 2018 Letter

The Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) Department of Infrastructure (INF) requests further extension for the submission of the various maps, reports, records, documentation, summaries, updates to plans and details regarding the inspection and monitoring instruments to meet the Inuvialuit Water Board (IWB) requirements as stated in your letter dated May 4, 2018.

GNWT INF is still in the development stage of the 'comprehensive (permafrost) inspection and monitoring instrument' which will include the correlation between the analysis of the ground temperature probes (thermistors), visual inspections and maintenance reports to determine the level of impact and effect of the original terrain resulting from the reduced fill embankment construction. A short section of the ITH embankment, 29 kilometres, was recently completed and could not be monitored for impact and effects on the underlying permafrost/frozen terrain or surface drainage. Also, as noted above, GNWT INF need to have the ground temperature results analyzed first, before it can more fully develop the instrument so that it provides meaningful and usable information/results. Once this is developed, GNWT INF will update the Permafrost Monitoring Plan.

GNWT INF sincerely apologizes for having to ask for another extension and will endeavor to have the required reports and information to IWB at the earliest opportunity. Thank you for your kind consideration, and should you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact Binay Yadav, Director of Transportation at Binay_Yadav@gov.nt.ca or myself at Dean_Ahmet@gov.nt.ca.

Sincerely,

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