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RE: EMERGENCY RELEASE OF SEWAGE

Dear Mr. McLeod,

Here is the written approval for the emergency release of sewage.

Please note there are specific instructions in the approval letter that need to be followed and adhered to during the emergency release of sewage by the Hamlet of Aklavik.

If you have any questions by all means let me know. All the best to you and the community.

Regards,

Jan

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**Attn: Roxanne John, Acting Senior Administrative Officer
Dean McLeod, Recreation Coordinator**

RE: Emergency Release of Sewage

Dear Ms. John and Mr. McLeod,

It is understood from your phone call this morning and your subsequent fax that a state of emergency was declared by the Hamlet of Aklavik Mayor Arnie Steinwand on June 1, 2013 due to high water which flooded out your access road to the Solid Waste Disposal Facility (SWDF) and thereby access to the Sewage Disposal Facility (SDF)/ sewage lagoon where you dump your raw sewage. The Hamlet does not have access to the SDF to dump the raw sewage at the current time.

The Hamlet of Aklavik requested permission to dump raw sewage at the end of the airstrip downstream from the airstrip. It is noted that this location is similar to that of May 21-23, 2011 when there needed to be an emergency release of sewage due to flooding. As per your phone call and fax, it was stated that K&D Contracting will be keeping track of how many loads are being dumped at the end of the airstrip.

Your request for emergency release of sewage was given approval verbally by phone this morning and by written approval in this letter since a state of emergency was declared due to there being no access to the Sewage Disposal Facility (SDF). As instructed by phone there will need to be a call to the NWT 24 hr Spill Report Line at (867) 920-8130 with details of this emergency release so as to inform all regulatory agencies.

Any changes to the discharge of sewage will need to be communicated to the Water Resource Officer of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada – North Mackenzie District Office. This will allow the regulator to stay informed of the



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emergency release including when discharging of sewage to the SDF is resumed and to provide assistance to the Hamlet and their staff.

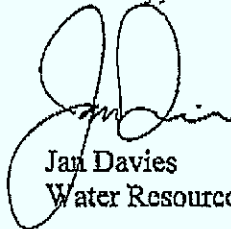
There continues to be responsibilities under the Hamlet of Aklavik's Municipal Water Licence that need to be addressed. Please note there needs to be very specific records kept of the sewage released during this state of emergency including the volumes of sewage released, date and time of release and also gps coordinates of where the sewage is released for future records. It is critical that this information is kept by the contractor and the Hamlet so when the state of emergency ends for the community there are accurate records of what transpired during this incident and for future reference.

For the safety of the residents of Aklavik and any visitors to the community the sewage release area needs to be barricaded and/or cordoned off in addition to signage installed warning of the release of raw sewage in the area.

It is understood from our discussions by phone this morning that the Hamlet of Aklavik will be asking residents to conserve water so as to decrease the amount of sewage that will need to be discharged as an emergency release. It would also be recommended that if there are additional sewage tanks and/or storage tanks that these could be used to enable a greater degree of sewage storage capacity thereby decreasing the amount of raw sewage released to the Mackenzie River.

The Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada -- North Mackenzie District Office looks forward to working with you as much as possible during this state of emergency. If you have any questions/concerns regarding the enclosed, and/or if additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact me at the office (867) 777-8909 or by cell phone (867) 678-0623.

Sincerely,



Jan Davies
Water Resource Officer

Cc: Conrad Baetz, District Manager, North Mackenzie District, Inuvik, NT
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