



7th Floor - 4922 48th Street
PO Box 2130, Yellowknife NT X1A 2P6

Tel: 867-669-0506 Fax: 867-873-6610
www.mvlwb.com

July 19, 2022

File: MV2022

Ryan King
AECOM Canada Ltd.
200-2100 8th Street East
Saskatoon, SK S7H0V1

Sent by e-mail

Dear Ryan,

Re: Yellowknife Pumphouse Geotechnical Drilling – Land Use Permit Application Incomplete – Drilling – Yellowknife, NT

On July 18, 2022, Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB or Board) staff received the Application for Land Use Permit (Permit) MV2022S0011 for the Geotechnical Drilling at several Yellowknife Pumphouses from AECOM Canada Ltd. (AECOM).

The Application has been reviewed and found to be lacking information required under section 19 and paragraph 22(1)(a) of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations (MVLUR). For the Application to be considered complete, refer to the MVLWB *Guide to the Land Use Permitting Process*¹ (Guide) and submit the following information to the Board's office:

1. Engagement Record and Plan: As described in section 3.1 of the Guide, each applicant must conduct engagement prior to submitting a land use permit application. The application must include an engagement record and engagement plan, prepared in accordance with section 2.1 of the MVLWB *Engagement and Consultation Policy*² and *Engagement Guidelines for Applicants and Holders of Land Use Permits and Water Licences*.³

¹ See the MVLWB Policies and Guidelines webpage for the MVLWB [Guide to the Land Use Permitting Process](#).

² See the MVLWB Policies and Guidelines webpage for the MVLWB [Engagement and Consultation Policy](#).

³ See the MVLWB Policies and Guidelines webpage for the MVLWB [Engagement Guidelines for Applicants and Holders of Land Use Permits and Water Licences](#).

2. Eligibility: As described in section 3.2, item 4 of the Guide, each applicant must provide information on eligibility to access the lands noted in the Application as per section 18 of the MVLUR.
3. Permit Type: As described in section 3.2, Item 7 of the Guide, the weight of equipment identified triggers a Type A Land Use Permit in accordance with 4(b)(i).
4. Project Description: As described in section 3.2, Item 8 of the Guide, the Project Description should include the frequency of drilling (i.e., specify when drilling will occur during the year and over the life of the project); total number of hectares being disturbed.
5. Waste Disposal: As described in section 3.2, Item 11 of the Guide, all applicants must submit detailed waste management information. This section should provide clarification on the deposit of wastewater used to provide a pressure head within the well to mitigate sluffing, and/or as a lubricant.
6. Spill Contingency Planning: As described in section 3.2, Item 15 of the Guide, most applicants are required to attach a Spill Contingency Plan in accordance with the INAC [Guidelines for Spill Contingency Planning](#). Please provide a distinct Spill Contingency Plan.
7. Impact-Mitigation Table: As described in section 3.2, item 17 of the Guide, each applicant must provide information on impacts and mitigations. Only Projects that have been previously screened, undergone Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Review, or are found in the Exemption List Regulations can be exempt from preliminary screening.

Upon receipt of this information, the Application will be reviewed as per the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*. If this information is not provided within 90 days of the date of this letter, staff will return the Application as per section 25 of the MVLUR.

Please contact Shannon Allerston at (867) 766-7465 with any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Yours sincerely,



Shannon Allerston
Regulatory Specialist

BCC'd to: Kristen Tackney – AECOM
 Jackie Nysetvold – AECOM
 Clint Ambrose – Inspector, GNWT-Lands
 David Munroe, GNWT-Lands