



Sahtu Land & Water Board
REASONS FOR DECISION
Issued Pursuant to Section 72.25 of
The Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act
and Section 54 of
The Waters Act

Water Licence Number: S17L8-002 (Type "B")

This is the decision of the Sahtu Land & Water Board with respect to the request to make corrections to a Water Licence dated September 29, 2017 made by:

DIAND – Contaminants and Remediation Division
PO Box 1500
Yellowknife, NT
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for: water use and waste disposal to support remediation at the Great Bear Lake Mine Sites, Sahtu Region, Northwest Territories.

DECISION

After having been satisfied that the project had been screened pursuant to s.124(1) of the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act, and that any potential adverse environmental effects were insignificant or mitigable with known technology, and as such the application could proceed through the regulatory process and after reviewing the submission of the Applicant and after reviewing the written comments received by the Board; the Board, having due regard to the facts and circumstances, the merits of the submissions made to it, and to the purpose, scope and intent of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* and the *Waters Act* and Regulations made thereunder has determined that:


Amended Water Licence S17L8-002 be issued subject to the terms and conditions contained therein.

The Board's reasons for this decision are as follows:

1. It is the opinion of the Board that an Administrative update to Annex A and Schedule 2 were warranted to ensure consistency with issuances for comparable projects in the Mackenzie Valley and to provide clarity to the Licensee.
2. Information contained in Staff Report S17L8-002(3) relative to environmental impacts and/or public concern.

The Board will provide any referenced material or documents and/or reasons for decision for any specific clause or clauses contained within the application if requested to do so in writing.

SIGNED this 30th day of October 2017 on behalf of the Sahtu Land & Water Board.



Larry Wallace (Chairman)
SAHTU Land & Water Board