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Your file Votre référence
IWB File # N7L3-1619

Our file Notre référence
20-HCAA-01776

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**Subject: Type B Water Licence Renewal, New Water Lake, Hamlet of Paulatuk
(20-HCAA-01776) – Comment Request for Hamlet of Paulatuk Municipal
Water Licence Renewal Application**

Dear Ms. Semmler:

Fisheries and Oceans Canada's Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Program (DFO-FFHPP) would like to thank the Inuvialuit Water Board (IWB) for the opportunity to provide comments on the Hamlet of Paulatuk's (Proponent's) application for a Type B Municipal Water Licence Renewal (the Project).

DFO-FFHPP has reviewed the Proponent's application pursuant to its mandate to determine if the project will result in the death of fish by means other than fishing and/or the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction (HADD) of fish habitat which are prohibited under subsections 34.4(1) and 35(1) of the *Fisheries Act*. The proposal has also been reviewed to determine whether it is likely to affect listed aquatic species at risk, any part of their critical habitat or the residences of their individuals in a manner which is prohibited under sections 32, 33 and subsection 58(1) of the *Species at Risk Act*, unless authorized.

Please review the Interim Code of Practice for End-of-Pipe Screens (<http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/codes/screen-ecran-eng.html>). Provided that the plans can follow the Interim Code of Practice and are implemented in the manner, and during the timeframe, described, the Program has determined that the proposal will not result in the death of fish, the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat, or have prohibited

effects on listed aquatic species at risk. As such, an authorization under the *Fisheries Act* or a permit under the *Species at Risk Act* is not required.

Should the proponent's plans change or if the proponent has omitted some information in the proposal such that the proposal meets the criteria for a site specific review, further review by the Program may be required. The proponent should consult our website (<http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/index-eng.html>) or consult with a qualified environmental consultant to determine if further review may be necessary. It remains the responsibility of the proponent to remain in compliance with the *Fisheries Act*, and the *Species at Risk Act*.

It is also the proponent's *Duty to Notify* DFO if they have caused, or are about to cause, the death of fish by means other than fishing and/or the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat. Such notifications should be directed to (<http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/contact-eng.html>).

If you have any questions with the content of this letter, please contact Brianne Kucharski at our Burlington office at 905-336-6235, or by email at Brianne.Kucharski@dfo-mpo.gc.ca. Please refer to the file number referenced above when corresponding with the Program.

Yours sincerely,



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