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Kativik environmental quality commission
Commission de la qualité de l'environnement Kativik

Transmitted solely by email

February 2, 2015

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**Subject: Project to relocate and add tanks at the petroleum tank farm in Akulivik
(Your reference: 3215-22-029)**

Dear Madam:

Pursuant to the environmental and social impact assessment and review procedure under Chapter II of the *Environment Quality Act*, the Kativik Environmental Quality Commission completed an analysis of the information transmitted to it on November 3, 2014, by Mireille Paul of your department, regarding the above-mentioned topic. The Commission is required to decide whether or not this project should be subject to the impact study procedure.

The Commission agrees that the site for the proposed new petroleum depot is adequate. It complies with the specific requests of the community of Akulivik concerning the set-back of the fuel tanks from buildings.

Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 23.3.14 of the *James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement* and section 192 of the *Environment Quality Act* (R.S.Q., c. Q-2), the Commission has decided to not subject this project to the impact study procedure.

The Commission would like to draw to your attention that the site was selected by the municipality and the project proponent, but the project proponent did not present a supporting resolution adopted by the Council of the Northern Village of Akulivik. The project proponent should be reminded to transmit a copy of the resolution to the Commission prior to the start of work.

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As well, the Commission understands that it is the responsibility of the project proponent to complete soil characterization along the path of the marine pipeline to be dismantled in order to determine if decontamination work is required. Finally, it is suggested that the project proponent communicate with your regional branch for Abitibi-Témiscamingue and Nord-du-Québec regarding the portion of the current petroleum depot site that will no longer be in use once the new depot is in operation in order to verify the need for any further authorizations that may be required or for specific measures.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter Jacobs". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "P" and a distinct "J".

Peter Jacobs
Chairperson