



**NIRB File No.: 24WA002**

**NPC File No.: 150162**

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**Re: Suspension of Assessment Activities for the Government of Nunavut – Community & Government Services’ “CD-Wastewater Treatment Plant” Project Proposal, pursuant to NuPPAA s. 144(2)**

Dear Megan Lusty:

On January 9, 2024, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received a referral to screen for the Government of Nunavut – Community & Government Services’ (GN-CGS) “CD-Wastewater Treatment Plant” project proposal from the Nunavut Planning Commission. The NIRB assigned this project proposal file number 24WA002 and commenced screening the project proposal pursuant to Article 12, Sections 12.4.1 and 12.4.4 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement)* and s. 87 of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2 (*NuPPAA*). Through the initial screening activities undertaken by the NIRB for this proposal, additional information was requested to address identified deficiencies as detailed through Information Requests #1 and # 2 (enclosed for reference). This information is considered necessary to determine the scope of the project and to carry out the screening of the project.

To date, the Board has not received the requested information. I note further that staff members from the NIRB have attempted to contact GN-CGS directly to discuss the outstanding information required to complete the screening of this project proposal (see [Appendix A](#) for file history) with no definite date provided on when the information will be made available. Consequently, the NIRB has determined that it is unable to initiate the screening for the “CD-Wastewater Treatment Plant” project proposal at this time.

Pursuant to s. 144(2) of the *NuPPAA*, the Board is suspending its assessment activities for the screening of this project proposal until the requested information has been received by our office. Please be advised that the *NuPPAA* prohibits the carrying out of a project, in whole or in part, where the required assessment by the NIRB has not been completed; regulatory authorities are

also not authorized to issue a licence, permit or other authorizations in respect of a project where the required assessment by the NIRB has not been completed

The Board further notes that if the requested information is not received within three (3) years from February 8, 2024, the assessment of the project will be terminated as per s. 144(3) of the *NuPPAA*.

Should you have any questions regarding the suspension of this assessment or require clarification regarding how to address the outstanding information requirements for this file, please contact the NIRB's Manager, Impact Assessment, Keith Morrison, directly at (867) 983-4617 or [kmorrison@nirb.ca](mailto:kmorrison@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

Attachment: Appendix A: File History

Enclosures (2): Information Request letters (February 8, 2024, and February 23, 2024)

cc: Lootie Toomasie, Chairperson, Nunavut Water Board  
Richard Dwyer, Nunavut Water Board  
Jared Ottenhof, Qikiqtani Inuit Association  
William Patch, Department of Community and Government Services – Government of Nunavut  
Goump Djalogue, Nunavut Planning Commission

## APPENDIX A: FILE HISTORY

DATE	CORRESPONDENCE
January 11, 2024	NIRB e-mail to Proponent requesting Proponent complete online application.
January 17, 2024	Follow-up email from the NIRB to the Proponent requesting an update on when online application will be completed.
January 25, 2024	Follow-up email from the NIRB to the Proponent requesting an update on when online application will be completed.
February 1, 2024	Follow-up email from the NIRB to the Proponent requesting an update on when online application will be completed.
February 8, 2024	Information Request Letter #1 requesting information be submitted by February 22, 2024.
February 23, 2024	Information Request Letter #2 requesting information be submitted by March 1, 2024.
March 5, 2024	Follow-up email from the NIRB to the Proponent requesting an update on when online application will be completed.
March 13, 2024	Follow-up email from the NIRB to the Proponent requesting an update on when online application will be completed.
March 15, 2024	Follow-up email from the NIRB to the Proponent requesting an update on when online application will be completed.