EMAB Teleconference, Yellowknife Boardroom – draft meeting notes June 20, 2007

Present:

Joel Holder, GNWT (alternate) Eric Christensen, Diavik

Call-In

Doug Crossley, Kitikmeot Inuit Association Florence Catholique, Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation Sheryl Grieve, North Slave Metis Alliance (temporarily replacing Shannon Hayden for this meeting – see email of June 20/07)

Minutes:

John McCullum, EMAB

Meeting started at 10:10 a.m.

Welcome from Chair.

Executive Director (ED) walks the Board through the letter to the Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board re: the draft water licence. The letter was circulated by email on Monday.

Changes discussed:

- mention draft licence already addresses a number of EMAB recommendations
- K(5) item c re-word second last sentence
- Remove paragraph on establishment or confirmation of early warning signs

There was also a discussion of the possible pitfalls of requiring that the interpretation of data be scientifically defensible. In the end it was agreed that it would require that the interpretation be directly linked to the data and that if experts differed on whether the interpretation was scientifically defensible it would be up to the WLWB to decide.

ACTION ITEM: letter commenting on draft water licence to be redrafted as directed and sent to Chair for approval

Motion 01-07-06-20

To approve Gavin More as a signing authority for EMAB.

Moved: Florence Catholique Seconded: Eric Christensen Carried: unanimously

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Next meeting tentatively scheduled for August 14 – 16 with a site visit to Diavik and meeting in Wekweti.

ACTION ITEM: Confirm with Eric for site visit once dates are set and confirm with Eddie for meeting in Wekweti.

Meeting adjourned 10:45.