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Sent by email

Dear Mark Cliffe-Phillips,

Re: City of Yellowknife – Geotechnical Drilling – Notice of Preliminary Screening Determination – Application for Land Use Permit – McDonald Drive, Yellowknife, NT

The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (Board) met on July 15, 2021 and considered the Application from the City of Yellowknife (the City) for Land Use Permit (Permit) MV2021X0012 for geotechnical drilling (Project) in accordance with the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA).

The Board conducted a preliminary screening based on the public record for the proceeding. Based on the evidence provided, the Board is satisfied the screening has been completed according to section 125 of the MVRMA and has decided **not to refer** the Project to environmental assessment. The Board's Preliminary Screening Determination and Reasons for Decision, as required by section 121 of the MVRMA, is attached.

If the Board does not receive notice of referral to environmental assessment, it can proceed with issuance of Permit MV2021X0012 on **Tuesday August 3, 2021**.

The Board and staff look forward to continued communications throughout the pause period. Please contact Shelagh Montgomery at (867) 766-7457 with any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Yours sincerely,



Mavis Cli-Michaud

Chair, Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board

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Attached: Preliminary Screening Determination and Reasons for Decision