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Northwest Territories Water Board
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Attention: Gordon Wray, Chairman

Mr. Wray:

Re: Application for a Type B Water Licence

Imperial Oil Resources Ventures Limited (Imperial), on behalf of ConocoPhillips Canada (North) Limited, Shell Canada Limited and ExxonMobil Canada Properties, encloses 30 copies of an application for a Type B Water Licence as follows:

- 25 paper copies to the Northwest Territories Water Board
- 1 CD copy to the Northwest Territories Water Board
- 5 paper copies to Gartner Lee Limited
- 1 CD copy to Gartner Lee Limited

This application is made pursuant to section 14 of the *Northwest Territories Water Act* in support of the proposed Mackenzie Gas Project. The purpose of the Mackenzie Gas project is to develop three onshore gas fields in the Mackenzie Delta and to transport natural gas and natural gas liquids (NGL) by pipeline to market. Within the Inuvialuit Settlement Region, the Mackenzie Gas Project will include:

- new gathering pipeline corridors extending from the three onshore gas fields in the Mackenzie Delta through the Inuvialuit Settlement Region to the boundary with the Gwich'in Settlement Area
- a pigging facility and temporary infrastructure site at Storm Hills
- borrow sites and infrastructure to support the construction activities

This water licence application would permit certain undertakings associated with the Mackenzie Gas Project in the Inuvialuit Settlement Region. In particular, the water licence is required to allow the installation and operation of:

- 23 gathering pipeline watercourse crossings that are five or more metres wide at the ordinary high water mark

- 23 travel lane watercourse crossings that are five or more metres wide at the ordinary high water mark
- 27 winter access road watercourse crossings that are five or more metres wide at the ordinary high water mark
- watercourse training measures, as and where required, at watercourse crossings and the Swimming Point barge landing site

Imperial will be submitting additional applications relating to the Mackenzie Gas Project within the Inuvialuit Settlement Region, including:

- an application to Transport Canada under Section 108 of the *National Energy Board Act* for the gathering pipeline crossings of navigable waters
- an application to Transport Canada under Section 5 of the *Navigable Waters Protection Act* for the necessary modifications to the Swimming Point barge landing site

In support of this application, Imperial intends to file with the Northwest Territories Water Board certain additional information. This additional information will be filed either prior to conclusion of the regulatory consideration process or in fulfillment of conditions to approvals following completion of the regulatory consideration process. These additional filings include information such as:

- results of detailed environmental and engineering studies where required
- results of Traditional Knowledge studies where required
- details of the environmental management framework for emergency response, heritage resources protection, waste management, spill contingency and fuel handling

A cheque for \$30.00 is enclosed which represents the application fee.

Please direct any questions relating to this application to Jim Hawkins at (403) 237-2806, or by facsimile (403) 237-2208.

Sincerely,

(original signed by)

Rick Pawluk
Regulatory Affairs Manager

JRH/agm/dry/daa

ENCL.: Cheque for \$30.00 (application fee)