

## **DOCUMENT "A"**

## MINISTER'S DETERMINATION

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL
Pursuant to Regulation 87-83 under the <u>Clean Environment Act</u>
December 22, 2015
File Number: 4561-3-1424

- 1. In accordance with section 6(6) of the Regulation, it has been determined that the undertaking may proceed following approval under all other applicable acts and regulations.
- Commencement of this undertaking must occur within three years of the date of this Determination. Should commencement not be possible within this time period the undertaking must be registered under the *Environmental Impact Assessment Regulation* (87-83) – <u>Clean Environment Act</u> again, unless otherwise stated by the Minister of Environment and Local Government.
- 3. The proponent shall adhere to all obligations, commitments, monitoring and mitigation measures presented in the EIA registration document dated October 30, 2015 as well as all those identified in subsequent correspondence during the registration review. Additionally, the proponent shall submit a summary table detailing the status of each Condition listed in this Determination to the Manager of the Environmental Assessment Section of the Department of Environment and Local Government (DELG) every six months from the date of this Determination until such a time as the Manager determines it is no longer required.
- 4. If it is suspected that remains of archaeological significance are found during construction, as per the <u>Heritage Conservation Act</u>, all activity shall be stopped near the find and the Resource Manager of the Archaeological Services Unit, Heritage Branch of the Department of Tourism, Heritage and Culture, shall be contacted at (506) 453-3014.
- 5. The maximum allowable pumping rate for the new production well (Well # 4) is 23 igpm, which equals a total daily withdrawal of 150.6 m<sup>3</sup>/day.
- 6. The former production Well # 2 must be properly decommissioned, as per the attached DELG Guidelines for Decommissioning (Abandonment) of Water Wells, as soon as possible following the commissioning of Well # 4. Appropriate documentation confirming this decommissioning must subsequently be submitted to the Manager of DELG's Environmental Assessment Section.
- 7. In addition to the regular sampling plan that will be part of the *Approval to Operate*, Well # 4 will have to be sampled for uranium on a monthly basis for at least one year. This sample must be collected from the raw water before any filtering. In addition, Well # 3 must be sampled for fluoride on a monthly basis for at least one year. This water quality data must be submitted to DELG and the Department of Health every six months, unless there is an exceedance of the Drinking Water Quality Guidelines, in which case both Departments must be contacted immediately. Following the first year of monthly sampling for these

- parameters, the Manager of DELG's Environmental Assessment Section can modify the required sampling frequency.
- 8. Within one month of the date that Well # 4 is brought online, documentation must be submitted to the Manager of DELG's Environmental Assessment Section confirming that the capacity of the pump in Well # 1 does not exceed the capacity of that well's original pump. If this cannot be done, Well # 1 will have to undergo a water supply source assessment, which will include a pumping test, and conditions on this well could subsequently be imposed by the Manager of DELG's Environmental Assessment Section.
- 9. The proponent must ensure that all developers, contractors, and operators associated with the construction and operation of the project comply with the above requirements.