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Jennifer Broadbridge, Waste Reduction Advisor Government of the Northwest Territories - Environment and Natural Resources Box 1320 Yellowknife NT X1A 2L9

Sent via email

Dear Jennifer Broadbridge,

RE: Waste Reduction and Recovery Act Amendments

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed amendments to the *Waste Reduction and Recovery Act* (Act).

Given the information provided at this time, the Land and Water Boards of the Mackenzie Valley, or the Boards (Gwich'in, Mackenzie Valley, Sahtu, and Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Boards) have the following questions and comments:

- 1) How does the Act apply to non-municipal landfills? How will the proposed amendments apply to non-municipal landfills?
- 2) How will banned wastes that have already been placed in landfills be handled?
- 3) If wastes that are regulated under water licences become banned, what are ENR's recommendations to address jurisdictional overlap?

Board staff would be pleased to meet with ENR staff to discuss the questions above. Further, please continue to keep the Boards apprised of this initiative. Please contact <u>Heather Scott</u> at (867) 766-7463.

Sincerely,

Shelagh Montgomery Executive Director Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board

Leonard DeBastien Executive Director Gwich'in Land and Water Board

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Copied to: Nathen Richea, Director, Water Management and Monitoring, GNWT - ENR