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Dear Valerie Gordon:

This is in response to the Sahtú Land and Water Board's correspondence of March 14, 2025, which was addressed to the Honourable Gary Anandasangaree, concerning the Board's reasons for decision and recommendation of Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Type A Water Licence Renewal (S13L1-007) for the Norman Wells Operations.

In accordance with subsection 72.13 (3) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*, I am pleased to inform you that, on behalf of the Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs, I approve the Sahtú Land and Water Board's issuance of the Type A Water Licence Renewal (S13L1-007) for a term of three years, as recommended by the Board. I appreciate the Board's efforts in reviewing the application on an expedited basis.

Wela'lin,

Valerie Gideon

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