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Sent by email

Dear Mark Cliffe-Phillips,

Re: Slater River Project – Reclamation and Interim Care and Maintenance - Notice of Preliminary Screening Determination – Extension and Renewal Applications for Land Use Permit and Water Licence – Norman Wells, NT

The Sahtu Land and Water Board (Board) met on December 9, 2025 and considered the Application Package from Cenovus Energy Inc. (Cenovus) for Land Use Permit (Permit) S20X-006 extension and Water Licence (Licence) S25L1-001 renewal for the Slater River Project (Project) in accordance with the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA).

The Board completed a preliminary screening of the Project on December 22, 2020,¹ and Cenovus has not proposed changes to the Project. Accordingly, the Board has determined that the Project is exempt from preliminary screening under Part 1, Schedule 1, section 2 of the Exemption List Regulations to the MVRMA. Consequently, no further preliminary screening was conducted.

Please contact Paul Dixon via [email](#) or at (867) 598-2413, ext. 225 with any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

¹ See SLWB Online Registry www.slwb.com for [S20L1-004 – Preliminary Screening and RFD – Dec22_20](#) and [S20X-006 – Preliminary Screening and RFD – Dec22_20](#).

Yours sincerely,



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Chair, Sahtu Land and Water Board

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