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Dr. T. Mayberry,
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Dear Dr. Mayberry:

Thank you for your letter expressing concern over the potential health problems associated with arsenic in the environment of Yellowknife.

Please be assured that this matter is being fully investigated by my Department in co-operation with the Department of the Environment, Indian and Northern Affairs, and the Territorial Government.

Within the past year we have carried out extensive biological sampling and clinical examination, and to date have not specifically identified a single case which has shown evidence of arsenic poisoning.

The comprehensive study of the population and the environment is to continue, however, until we are fully assured that the people of this community are protected from any undue risk that may exist as a result of this problem.

Yours truly,

Marc Lalonde.