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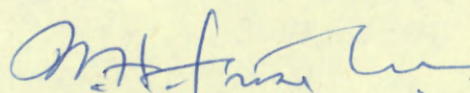
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Mr. A.G. Redshaw,
Chairman,
Technical Committee,
Northwest Territories Water Board,
Department of Indian and Northern Affairs,
P.O. Box 1500,
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

Dear Mr. Redshaw:

As requested, I am enclosing herewith a copy of a report entitled, "An Investigation of the Health Status of Inhabitants of Yellowknife, Northwest Territories", with particular reference to contamination of the environment by arsenic and its compounds and their effect on health. You will note that this 119 page report on a survey carried out before the water intake was extended to the mouth of the Yellowknife River, when arsenic levels in the Yellowknife drinking water were considerably higher than they are today, revealed very little evidence of impaired health which could be attributed to the ingestion or absorption of arsenic, with the exception of certain mine employees who come into direct contact with the substance.

Yours very truly,



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