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**SUBJECT: James Bay Lithium Mine Project Analysis of the Responses to the Third Information Request** 

## Gail Amyot:

On January 26, 2022, the Joint Assessment Committee (the Committee) received the responses from Galaxy Lithium (Canada) Inc. to the third information request for the above-named project. These responses are presented in the following document:

WSP, 2022. James Bay Lithium Mine Project. Answers to the Third Information Request from the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada as part of the Environmental Review of the Project. Report prepared for Galaxy Lithium (Canada) Inc. 136 pages and appendices.

After reviewing the document, the Committee, in collaboration with the federal authorities involved in the environmental assessment, has determined that the proponent provided complete responses to the third information request. However, based on the expertise of Environment and Climate Change Canada, the Committee is of the opinion that the use of waste rock for road construction would contravene the pollution prevention provisions of the Fisheries Act. Therefore, the Committee requires the proponent to clarify the approach being considered to address this issue.

## **Next Steps**

The proponent must clarify the intended approach as soon as possible, since the Committee is pursuing the environmental assessment process and will soon seek the expertise of federal authorities. In this context, the federal timeline has resumed running as of February 11, 2022.

If you need further information, please contact the project manager, Guillaume Clément-Mathieu, by phone at 418-573-2306 or by email at <u>guillaume.clement-mathieu@iaac-aeic-gc.ca</u>.

Best regards,

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