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Stew Sabiston  
Director North Central Region  
Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations  
Northern Affairs Branch  
Box 27, 59 Elizabeth Drive,  
Thompson, MB R8N 1X4

Dear Stew Sabiston:

**RE: Request to discharge with phosphorus in excess of the Manitoba Water Quality Standards, Objectives and Guidelines Regulation**

This acknowledges the letter received on June 28, 2022 requesting an emergency discharge of Environment Act Licence No.1138 to allow for the discharge of wastewater from the Cormorant wastewater treatment lagoon with phosphorus in excess of 1.0 mg/L.

The Cormorant lagoon is hydraulically overloaded. Laboratory analyses indicate a total phosphorous level of 1.97 mg/L, exceeding the Manitoba Water Quality Standards, Objectives and Guidelines. Based on the laboratory results, discharge of this facility would be in contravention of the Manitoba Water Quality Standards, Objectives and Guidelines Regulation under The Water Protection Act. As such, this request is denied.

If you have questions regarding the above, please contact Cristal Huculak, Environment Officer at [Cristal.Huculak@gov.mb.ca](mailto:Cristal.Huculak@gov.mb.ca) or 204-620-5797.

Sincerely,

Kristal Harman, Director  
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