

NOTICE OF INDICATION NIRB FILE NO.: 13UN038

AANDC File No.: N2013U0018

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Via email: Jeff.Mercer@aandc.gc.ca; landsmining@aandc.gc.ca;

Re: Notice of Indication for Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada – Contaminated Sites Division's "Contwoyto Lake Remediation" Project Proposal, Kitikmeot Region, NIRB File No. 13UN038

Dear Jeff Mercer:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Bernard Valcourt, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development for Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada – Contaminated Sites Division's "Contwoyto Lake Remediation" in the Kitikmeot Region.

The NIRB has assessed this project proposal for ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts taking into consideration the comments from relevant authorities and communities. Based on this assessment NIRB's indication to the Minister is in accordance with **12.4.4** (a) which states the following:

"The proposal may be processed without a review under Part 5 or 6; NIRB may recommend specific terms and conditions to be attached to any approval, reflecting the primary objectives set out in Section 12.2.5."

The enclosed NIRB Screening Decision for NIRB File No. 13UN038, signed on January 23, 2014 by Elizabeth Copland at Arviat, NU has been issued to Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) and is subject to the terms and conditions contained herein being imposed upon the Proponent.

The NIRB is aware of the AANDC's authority to regulate the terms and conditions attached to the enclosed Screening Decision Report, and requests that the AANDC send a hardcopy of the authorization with NIRB's file number referenced on the document to the NIRB office to complete our files. In addition, the NIRB requests that copies of any subsequent inspection reports related to the subject project proposal be sent to the NIRB office.

Please contact Tara Arko, NIRB A/Manager Technical Administration at 867-983-4611 or info@nirb.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Tara Arko

A/Manager Technical Administration

cc: Natalie Plato, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada

Tracey McCaie, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada

Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board Geoffrey Clark, Kitikmeot Inuit Association

Enclosure: NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No.: 13UN038)