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Via email: Natalie.plato@inac.gc.ca

**Re: Notice of Part 4 Screening for Indian and Northern Affairs' (Contaminated Sites)
"PIN-E Cape Peel" project proposal**

Dear Natalie Plato:

On November 29, 2010 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), Contaminated Sites' "PIN-E Cape Peel" project proposal from INAC Lands Administration. As the project is within a region without an approved land use plan (Kitikmeot region), the NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number **10DN056**.

The project is located approximately 80 kilometres west of Cambridge Bay. INAC Contaminated Sites is proposing to carry out the remediation of the PIN-E Cape Peel Intermediate Distant Early Warning (DEW) Line Site. The planned work is expected to be conducted on both Crown land and Inuit Owned land and take place yearly between July and September from July 1, 2011 to December 1, 2012.

The project activities include:

- Access to site via sealift and fixed wing aircraft;
- Establishment of a camp to support site operations;
- Existing site infrastructure will be demolished and demolition wastes will be segregated into hazardous and non-hazardous materials and disposed of properly;
- All hazardous materials and soil will be disposed of at an off-site licensed disposal facility;
- Contaminated soils will be handled as described in the Remedial Action Plan (RAP);
- Existing landfills/drums at this site will be remediated as described in the RAP;
- A landfarm will be constructed for the treatment of hydrocarbon contaminated soil;
- Non-hazardous wastes will be packaged and transported to PIN-D Ross point for disposal at the non-hazardous waste landfill to be constructed on-site;
- Barrels with contents will be consolidated and depending on test results, the contents will either be incinerated on-site or shipped off-site for disposal. Empty barrels will be

crushed and transported to PIN-D Ross Point for disposal in the non-hazardous waste landfill to be constructed on-site;

- Roads and the airstrip will be re-constructed and repaired as required;
- Several borrow sites will be developed and the material will be extracted and used during the remediation work;
- Fuel (diesel, gas and jet fuel) and propane will be stored on-site within a containment area and fuel transfer site with spill kits; and
- Two temporary lagoons will be installed.

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be obtained from the NIRB's ftp site at <http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/ACTIVE%20SCREENINGS/10DN056-INAC-PIN-E%20CAPE%20PEEL/> including:

- *NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in English*
- *NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in Inuinnaqtun*
- *NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in Inuktitut*
- *NIRB Part 2 PSIR Form in English*
- *NIRB Part 2 PSIR Form in Inuinnaqtun*
- *NIRB Part 2 PSIR Form in Inuktitut*
- *INAC Land Use Application*
- *Maps and Drawings*
- *Non technical Project Proposal summary in English*
- *Non technical Project Proposal summary in Inuinnaqtun*
- *Non-technical Project Proposal summary in Inuktitut*
- *Remedial Action Plan*
- *EA Screening Report*
- *Archaeological Impact Assessment report*

Pursuant to Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), the NIRB shall proceed to screen this project proposal. The NIRB may request additional information at any time during the process. The NIRB will copy you on screening process-related correspondence and upload related documents to the above ftp site for public access.

The NIRB is copying parties and municipalities potentially affected by the INAC Contaminated Sites project with this letter, and we invite interested parties to comment directly to the NIRB by **December 24, 2010**.

The NIRB would like parties to provide comments regarding:

- Whether the project proposal is likely to arouse significant public concern; and if so, why;
- Whether the project proposal is likely to cause significant adverse eco-systemic and socio-economic effects; and if so, why;
- Whether the project is of a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and mitigable with known technology, (please provide any recommended mitigation measures); and
- Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

Please send your comments to the NIRB at info@nirb.ca or via fax at **(867) 983-2594**.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact NIRB's Technical Advisor, Kelli Gillard at (867)983-4619 or kgillard@nirb.ca .

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kelli Gillard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kelli" being more prominent than the last name "Gillard".

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Technical Advisor
Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Distribution List
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Enclosures (2): Comment Forms (English and Inuinnaqtun)