



NIRB File No.: 10DN056
INAC File No.: N2010X0020

December 17, 2010

Honourable John Duncan
Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
Ottawa, ON

Via email: Duncan.j@parl.gc.ca and minister@inac-ainc.gc.ca

Re: Extension Request for NIRB Screening of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada's (Contaminated Sites) "PIN-E Cape Peel" project proposal

Dear Honourable John Duncan:

Pursuant to Section 12.4.5 (b) of the Nunavut Land Claim Agreement (NLCA), the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) hereby requests more time to screen the project proposal referenced above (N2010X0020).

On November 29, 2010 the NIRB received Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)-Contaminated Sites "PIN-E Cape Peel" project proposal from INAC-Lands. As the project is within the Kitikmeot region, a conformity determination from the Nunavut Planning Commission was not required. The NIRB assigned this project proposal file number 10DN056 and commenced the Part 4 screening.

Additional time is being requested to facilitate an adequate public commenting period, while taking into account the upcoming holiday season.

The NIRB is not able to provide a screening decision for this application within 38 days as requested by INAC¹ (January 6, 2010) and therefore requires additional time to screen the project proposal. It is anticipated that the screening process will be completed by January 12, 2010.

If this request is approved, the NIRB understands that the authorizing agency will inform the Proponent, stakeholders and interested Parties on the extension.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

¹ Decision requested by January 6, 2010 in INAC letter to the NIRB received November 29, 2010

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephanie Autut', enclosed within a light grey rectangular border.

Stephanie Autut,
Executive Director
Nunavut Impact Review Board

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