

NIRB File No. 12DN044 AANDC File No.: N2012U0029

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

Re: Notice of Part 4 Screening for Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development

Canada's "CAM-A Sturt Point Intermediate DEW Line Site Remediation" project

proposal

Dear Natalie Plato:

On November 6, 2012 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada's (AANDC) "CAM-A Sturt Point Intermediate DEW Line Site Remediation" project proposal (the Project) from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada. The NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number 12DN044. Upon receiving the application, the NIRB required additional information and clarification regarding Project components and application materials, which was received on November 29, 2012.

The proposed project is located in the Kitikmeot Region approximately 80 kilometres east of Cambridge Bay. The program intends to remediate the pre-existing military support site and is proposed to take place from June 1, 2012 to June 1, 2015. After this remediation period, the Proponent intends to conduct long term monitoring of the site for up to 25 years.

The proposed project activities include:

- Mobilization and demobilization:
 - o Equipment, supplies, and personnel
 - Enhancement of access routes to site (if required) for barge landing areas; airstrip, or CAT-Train route for mobilization and demobilization;
- Site infrastructure to support clean-up:
 - o Temporary storage of equipment on site;
 - Construction and operation of camp for 35 personnel, used for 75 days per year, to be removed at the end of the Project;

- o Water use of 20 cubic metres per day;
- Building and structure demolition;
- Debris consolidation and disposal;
- Waste/debris disposal:
 - o Liquid wastes to be disposed of within a lagoon,
 - o Combustible wastes to be burned on site in an incinerator,
 - o Non-combustible wastes and overburden to be placed in on site landfill,
 - Landfill construction, utilization, and closure/re-grading for nonhazardous materials and consolidated debris;
 - Hydrocarbon contaminated soils to be landfarmed;
 - Landfarm construction, operation, and decommissioning when soil remediation complete;
 - Excavation and relocation of contaminated soil to landfarm, and removal from landfarm when remediation complete;
 - o Hazardous wastes to be shipped off site to a licenced facility further south.
 - Soils contaminated with metals and PCBs would be excavation/removal, handling, temporary storage on site, and transportation;
- Quarrying of gravel and overburden materials of approximately 10,000 cubic metres;
- Site and landfill re-grading;
- Bulk fuel storage:
 - o 10x10,000 Litres (L) of diesel in double walled tanks,
 - o 10x205 L barrels of gasoline, and
 - o Additional amounts of aviation fuel, propane, or other fuels yet to be determined.

All documents pertaining to this project proposal can be obtained from the NIRB's ftp site at http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/ACTIVE%20SCREENINGS/12DN044-AANDC-CAM-A%20Remediation/ including:

- AANDC Land Use Permit Application in English
- Nunavut Water Board Water Licence Application and Camp Questionnaire in English
- NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in English, Inuktitut, and Inuinnaqtun
- Non-technical Project Proposal summaries in English, Inuktitut, and Inuinnaqtun
- Maps
- NPC Conformity Determination
- Response to Information Request
- Remediation Action Plan
- Environmental Assessment Report

Please also note that the Proponent supplied an Environmental Site Assessment Phase III document as part of its application materials, however the NIRB is unable to include this within its online registry due to the document size (121 MB). Parties may request this document from the Proponent by emailing Natalie.plato@aandc.gc.ca.

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 AANDC's project proposal with this letter, and we invite interested parties to comment directly to the NIRB by **December 20, 2012**.

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 <u>info@nirb.ca</u> or via fax at (867) 983-2594.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the undersigned at 867-983-4611 or tarko@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures (3): Comment Forms (English, Inuktitut, and Inuinnaqtun)