

NIRB File No.: 12DN044 AANDC File No.: N2012U0029 NWB File No.: 1BR-STU----

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The Honourable John Duncan Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Executive Offices 10 Wellington St. Gatineau, QC K1A 0H4

Sent via email: Duncan.J@parl.gc.ca and minister@aandc.gc.ca

Re: Extension Request for NIRB Screening of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada's "CAM-A Sturt Point Intermediate DEW Line Site Remediation" project proposal

Dear Mr. John Duncan:

Pursuant to Section 12.4.5(b) of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) hereby requests more time to screen the project proposal referenced above (12DN044).

On November 6, 2012 the NIRB received Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada's (AANDC) "CAM-A Sturt Point Intermediate DEW Line Site Remediation" project proposal from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada. The NIRB assigned this project proposal file number 12DN044 and commenced screening pursuant to NLCA Article 12 Part 4.

After an initial technical review for application completeness, NIRB staff determined that the application materials submitted did not contain sufficient information for the NIRB to permit proper screening and on November 26 2012, requested that the Proponent provide additional information. The NIRB received the information as requested on November 29, 2012 and continued screening the project proposal in accordance with Section 4, Article 12 of the NLCA. At this time the NIRB has identified that the timing of the Board's provision of a screening recommendation for this file will overlap with the holiday season and as such it will require additional time to screen the project.

The NIRB is not able to provide a screening decision for AANDC's "CAM-A Sturt Point Intermediate DEW Line Site Remediation" project proposal within the 42 day time period as per Section 12.4.5 of the NLCA and therefore requires additional time to screen the project proposal. It is anticipated that the screening process will be completed by January 16, 2013.

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.

Sincerely,

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Nunavut Impact Review Board

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