



NIRB File No.: 05EN091
INAC No.: N2005C0024

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Honourable Chuck Strahl
Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
c/o Spencer Dewar, Manager Land Administration
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
Iqaluit, NU

Via email: Spencer.Dewar@inac-ainc.gc.ca

Re: Application exempt from NIRB Screening pursuant to Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA:
Extension request for Indicator Minerals Inc.'s "Barrow Lake" project

Dear Mr. Dewar:

On June 10, 2010 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received an application from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) for a one-year extension to Land Use Permit # N2005C0024 in support of Indicator Minerals Inc.'s "Barrow Lake" project. Please be advised that the original "Barrow Lake" project proposal was received by the NIRB on June 8, 2005 from INAC, and was screened in accordance with Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). On July 15, 2005 the NIRB issued a 12.4.4(a) screening decision to the Minister of INAC indicating that the proposed project could proceed subject to project-specific recommended terms and conditions.

This Land Use Permit was also extended in 2008 and 2009 respectively. Upon receipt of applications from INAC, the NIRB confirmed that the project had previously been screened and was therefore exempt from further screening pursuant to Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA, and the activities therein remained subject to the terms and conditions recommended in the original July 15, 2005 Screening Decision Report.

The current INAC application, the original NIRB screening file and Screening Decision (NIRB File No.: 05EN091), as well as previous extension applications, are available from the NIRB's ftp site at the following link:

http://ftp.nirb.ca/SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/ARCHIVE/2005_SCREENINGS/05EN091%20-%20Indicator%20Minerals%20Inc%20-%20Barrow%20Lake/

Please note that Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA states that:

“Any application for a component or activity of a project proposal that has been permitted to proceed in accordance with these provisions shall be exempt from the requirement for screening by NIRB unless:

(a) such component or activity was not part of the original project proposal; or

(b) its inclusion would significantly modify the project.”

After completing a review of the information provided, the NIRB is of the understanding that the application received from INAC does not change the scope of the original project activities, and the exceptions noted in NLCA 12.4.3(a) and (b) do not apply. Therefore, this application is exempt from screening as per Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA and the activities therein remain subject to the terms and conditions recommended in the original July 15, 2005 Screening Decision Report (enclosed).

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Li Wan, Technical Advisor, at (867) 983-4606 or liwan@nirb.ca.

Best regards,



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Executive Director

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Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board (licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org)

Enclosed: NIRB Screening Report Decision, File No. 05EN091 (July 15, 2005)