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RE:

REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF LAND USE PERMIT – KIKERK LAKE PROJECT

Ken, by means of this letter, I would like to request a temporary extension of our Kikerk DSD Lake Land Use Permit -- #N97C753 - which is to expire on 18 June, 2000. I am asking for NIRB additional days to take the permit to 30 June.

The reasons for this request are as follows: (1) To allow time for completion of drill testing of approximately five targets on the Kikerk claims, which project is planned, for obvious logistical reasons, to occur in the same time period as the Rockinghorse Lake drill programme. (2) To allow time for obtaining a new water-use authorisation from the Nunavut Water Board. (3) To allow time for obtaining a new INAC land-use permit.

No activity has yet occurred under either the land-use permit or the water licence; therefore, the nature and scope of the land-use activities would be the same as those of the original 1997 permit. A map of proposed target areas will be supplied to you as soon as possible, probably tomorrow.

No camp will be established on the Kikerk claims for this brief drill programme. No activity will occur until the water authorisation is obtained.

I thank you for the opportunity to make this request for temporary extension and look forward to receipt of approval.

Shirley Standafer Pfister Lands and Government Relations

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cc: Rita Becker - Nunavut Water Board

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