

March 15, 2010

Natalia Rybczynski Canadian Museum of Nature PO Box 3443 STN "D" Ottawa, ON K1P 6P4

Via email: nrybczynski@mus-nature.ca

Re: Application Pending Referral from Authorizing Agency and NPC Conformity for the Canadian Museum of Nature's "Palaeontology Project 2010 - Ellesmere Island, and Ellef Ringnes Island" Project Proposal

Dear Natalia Rybczynski:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received the Canadian Museum of Nature – Natalie Rybczynski's "Palaeontology Project 2010 – Ellesmere Island, and Ellef Ringnes Island" project proposal from Nunavut Water Board on March 11, 2010. The project proposal submission included the following documents:

- *NWB Water License Application and Questionnaire*
- Maps
- Non technical Project Proposal summary in English
- Non technical Project Proposal summary in Inuktitut

Once a request from an Authorizing Agency is made, the NIRB will carry out screening of the Project Proposal in accordance with Article 12, Part 4 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA).

Furthermore, your project appears to be in an area which requires conformity to the North Baffin Land Regional Land Use Plan. Pursuant to Article 11 of the NLCA, the project proposal must be sent to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) for a conformity determination with this Plan. This can be done by contacting Bryan Aglukark at the NPC via telephone at 867-857-2242 or via e-mail to aglukark@nunavut.ca.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact an Environmental Administrator at the NIRB at info@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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Tara Arko – Assistant Technical Advisor Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Marisa Gilbert, Canadian Museum of Nature Brian Aglukark, Nunavut Planning Commission

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