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Via email: RODNEY.WATSON@forces.gc.ca

Re: Notice of Part 4 Screening for Defence Construction Canada's "PIN-3 Lady Franklin Point Long Range Radar Reconstruction" project proposal

Dear Rodney Watson:

On March 27, 2009 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Defence Construction Canada's "PIN-3 Lady Franklin Point Long Range Radar Reconstruction" project proposal from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC). NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number **09DN024**.

The project is located at the pre-existing PIN-3 Long Range Radar Station, two kilometers inland at Lady Franklin Point, south-western tip of Victoria Island, Kitikmeot Region, Nunavut. Nearest communities include: Kugluktuk approximately 115 km south-west, and Cambridge Bay approximately 325 km east. The program is proposed to take place seasonally from spring 2010 to fall 2012.

The project activities include:

- Repairs to pre-existing structures
- Removal and replacement of outdated vehicle refueling station
- Construction of new cribbing for existing double-walled fuel storage tanks to be relocated
- Connection of above ground lines and above ground cabling for power and communications equipment
- Reconstruction and furnishing of:
 - new radar tower,
 - communications shelter,
 - accommodation and utility building trains,
 - two independent power plants,
 - and associated infrastructure
- Approximately same layout as previous structures constructed in the 1950's and 1980's
- Transportation includes:
 - minimum 1 barge (from Hay River) of large equipment and building materials using existing beaching area;
 - aircraft of workers and small equipment using site's existing airstrip;
 - All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) site travel

- Construction of temporary camp (sleeping quarters, kitchen area, common room area, incinerator, generator, sewage disposal system, and water treatment and supply system from local supply lake) to accommodate approximately 30 workers

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be obtained from NIRB's ftp site at <http://ftp.nirb.ca/SCREENINGS/ACTIVE%20SCREENINGS/09DN024-DCC%20-%20PIN-3-Lady%20Franklin%20Point/1-SCREENING/> including:

- *NPC Conformity Determination*
- *NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in English and Inuinnaqtun*
- *Non technical Project Proposal summary in English and Inuinnaqtun*
- *INAC Application*

Pursuant to Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), the NIRB shall proceed to screen the 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 interested Parties and municipalities most affected by the Defense Construction Canada project proposal with this letter, and we invite interested persons to comment directly to the NIRB by **May 5, 2009**.

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 info@nirb.ca or via fax at **(867) 983-2594**.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact NIRB's Assistant Technical Advisor, Tara Arko at (867) 983-4610 or tarko@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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cc: Distribution List

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Comment Form