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Mr. Lucassie Arragutainaq
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Dear Mr. Arragutainaq:

Thank you for your letter of February 13, 2012, to request direction for the termination of the Nunavut Impact Review Board's Article 12, Part 5 review of the High Lake Project. As you have noted, the Minerals and Metals Group has indicated to the Board that it will not be re-engaging the review process for the Project. In light of this information, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada supports the termination of the Board's Part 5 review.

Despite not being concluded, the Board's review has resulted in the generation of a significant amount of documentation. I would encourage the Board to retain this information as it may be relevant to future projects in the area or any future re-submission of the High Lake Project.

I would like to thank the Nunavut Impact Review Board for its efforts in reviewing the Project and I look forward to working with the Board on future environmental assessments.

Sincerely,

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