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Letter and application sent to:

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Dear Chief and Councillors; Re: Mineral Exploration, Cullaton Lake, Nunavut

The Nunavut Planning Commissin (NPC) is an Institution of Public Government in Nunavut operation under the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). NPC's role is to develop land use plans and perform conformity determinations against those plans in Nunavut.

NPC has received the following applications whose conformity with the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan, approved June, 2000, NPC will be determining:

N2004C0031 and NWB2RAI, application by Falconbridge Ltd.

NPC is providing the enclosed copies of these applications to your Band Council so that your Council may have the opportunity to make representations to NPC regarding the Band's interest, in case these interest are affected by the application. Kindly provide any representations within two weeks or your receipt of this letter. Thank you.

If your council chooses to make representation, please note that NPC's review is limited to those matters involved in determining the application's conformity to the approved plan, and any possible concern respecting the cumulative impact of the proposed project in relation to other development activities in the planning region. NPC will take your Council's representation into account within the limits of this mandate.

The plan can be viewed on the worldwide web at www.npc.nunavut.ca. For your convenience, I have enclosed the complete list of conformity requirements, to which all applications must conform.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. NPC looks forward to a co-operative relationship with your Band Council, as contemplated by Article 40 of the NLCA. If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact me at 867-857-2242 or by fax 867-857-2243, e-mail at lsuluk@npc.nunavut.ca.

Sincerely

Luke Suluk,

Implementation Coordinator/Officer Nunavut Planning Commission, Arviat

c.c. Spencer Dewar, Land Administrator Specialist, INAC, Iqaluit Phyllis Beaulieu, Licensing Administrator, NWB, Gjoa Haven Gladys Joudrey, NIRB, Cambridge Bay Matt Rees, Falconbridge Ltd.

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