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Re: Application exempt from Screening pursuant to NLCA Schedule 12-1: Canadian Wildlife Services’ “Aerial Surveys of Pacific Common Eiders in the Central Arctic” project proposal

Dear Jean Daniel Blouin:

On March 24, 2014 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received an application from Canadian Wildlife Services (CWS or the Proponent) for their “Aerial Surveys of Pacific Common Eiders in the Central Arctic” project proposal. The NIRB has determined that this project proposal is exempt from screening pursuant to item 7 of Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), *Types of Project Proposals Exempt from Screening*:

NLCA Schedule 12-1(7):

“Such other categories of activities and projects as may be agreed upon by NIRB and the appropriate Minister”.

As this project proposal is exempt from the requirement for Screening by the NIRB within the terms of the NLCA Schedule 12-1(7) Agreement completed on July 26, 2013, authorizations associated with this proposal may be processed by your office. This application is associated with a project proposal which has been previously screened by the NIRB (NIRB File No. 08YN017), and the NIRB’s Screening Decision Report may contain recommendations which are relevant to your organization, and to the issuance of any further authorizations associated with the project. A copy of the original April 2, 2008 Screening Decision Report has been enclosed

for your review and can be accessed online from the NIRB's public registry using the following link:

<http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/2008/08YN017-Vicky%20Johnston/>

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the undersigned directly at info@nirb.ca or **(867) 983-4612**.

Sincerely,

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Enclosed: NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 08YN017 (April 2, 2008)