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RE: NIRB STAFF PARTICIPATION IN MIRAMAR COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Dear Ms Briscoe

DOE would like to thank Nunavut impact Review Board (NIRB) for the opportunity to provide comment on NIRB's intended participation at the community consultations on the Doris North project, being organized by Miramar Hope Bay Ltd.

DOE agree with the rational put forward by NIRB to have staff in attendance at the meeting but also request that our local staff members be permitted to attend some or all of the meetings. If agreed to, these DOE staff members will record for our own purposes public opinion issues associated with the project and provide feedback to DOE staff who will be required to review the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

Once again we thank NIRB for the opportunity to comment

Yours sincerely

Original signed by

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