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Re: Submission of Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Kiggavik Project

Subsequent to meeting conformity to the “*Guidelines for the Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for AREVA Resources Canada Inc.’s Kiggavik Project*” in May 2013, and following the direction of the NIRB described by the PHC Decision, the EIS has been improved in many ways. The FEIS has enhanced the assessment of wildlife species, particularly caribou, and advanced the proposed management plans which describe the activities undertaken to mitigate potential Project effects. In this FEIS, AREVA has also integrated the information provided during *Information Request* and *Technical Comment* phases of the technical review and provided further analysis, assessment and revision to satisfy the consolidated commitments and requirements described in the PHC Decision.

In the time since the Pre-Hearing Conference, AREVA has continued its efforts to engage local stakeholders on the Project. Since June 2013, Kiggavik Project team members made visits to the seven Kivalliq Inuit communities and four northern Dené communities to engage local stakeholders in person with engagement events anticipated to promote informed and active community participation in the NIRB final hearing. Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit (IQ) workshops have been held in

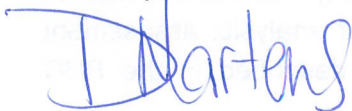
Baker Lake and Chesterfield Inlet in 2014 to inform and understand differences within IQ and between IQ and other scientific knowledge sources. AREVA has endeavored to sincerely integrate engagement, IQ, and Aboriginal Traditional Knowledge (ATK) information collected over the past 10 years of project development into the FEIS. We highlight i) the caribou assessment figures that advance the simultaneous consideration of IQ and western science, ii) Inuit land use and values presented as context for the proposed Project, and iii) the use of the largest delineated caribou annual ranges for the Beverly and Qamanirjuaq caribou herds, informed by various knowledge sources including IQ and ATK from harvest communities, in the caribou cumulative effects assessment. These efforts have increased certainty in the assessment and conclusions that project, cumulative, and transboundary effects across the caribou ranges do not compromise caribou health, large-scale landscape use, or the continued use of caribou by harvest communities.

AREVA believes that this FEIS resolves or advances the resolution of outstanding issues and provides sufficient information to determine that the proposed Kiggavik Project will not cause significant adverse effects to the biophysical environment and that socio-economic effects will be overall significantly positive.

It is our understanding that the FEIS copies provided (3 hardcopy and 1 digital), will suffice for the NIRB staff's determination of conformity to the PHC Decision. AREVA will provide copies of the FEIS to the remainder of the Kiggavik Project distribution list following determination of conformance. AREVA has prepared tables in Appendix 1A to facilitate the conformity determination by providing a cross-reference between the requirements of PHC Decision and the location within the FEIS where added or revised content addressing the requirements may be found.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (306) 343-4042.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Diane Martens'.

Diane Martens
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