

Final Report on Recommendations of the Participant Funding Review Committee for the proposed Kiggavik Uranium Mine

We the Participant Funding Review Committee (herein "the Committee"), appointed by Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) on the recommendation of the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB), have completed our careful review of participant funding applications received for the Part 5 Review of the proposed Kiggavik Uranium Mine.

The Committee is pleased to recommend to the Minister of INAC the following allocation of the \$250 000 that has been made available for this purpose:

- 1. Beverly and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board: \$90 000**
- 2. Baker Lake Hunters and Trappers Organization: \$80 000**
- 3. Nunavummiut Makitaganarningit: \$50 000**
- 4. Hamlet of Baker Lake: \$10 000**
- 5. Canadian Arctic Resources Committee Inc. \$10 000**
- 6. Athabasca Denesuline (Prince Albert Grand Council): \$5 000**
- 7. Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation: \$5 000**

The recommendations have been made according to requirements laid out in the NIRB's *Participant Funding Guide* and were guided by our knowledge and experience as well as by NIRB's advice to the Minister of INAC on the interests of the applicants.

In reviewing the applications received, the Committee was aware of the limited funds available and gave priority to those applicants who it felt would benefit the most from funding to enable them to most effectively input to the NIRB review. Other factors that the Committee considered in finalizing its recommendations were:

- ☐ The degree to which the activities proposed by the applicant for which funding was being sought would overlap with or duplicate work to be undertaken by other applicants.
- ☐ The degree to which the applicant is likely to be directly affected by the project.
- ☐ The degree to which the applicant may have access to other funds which could be used to support its input to the NIRB review.
- ☐ The degree to which the applicant could provide a unique perspective or insight to issues of relevance to the NIRB review.

Eligibility of Applicants:

The Committee found that all applicants were eligible to receive funding, with the exception of the Kivalliq Inuit Association (KIA). The Committee agreed with NIRB's suggestion that KIA's role in negotiating a Water Compensation Agreement and an Inuit Impact Benefit Agreement for the Kiggavik project leads to the conclusion that they have a direct commercial interest in the Kiggavik Project and they are therefore ineligible to receive funding according to the NIRB's *Participant Funding Guide*.

Eligibility of Activities and Expenses:

Expenses and activities that the Committee chose to recommend for funding have all been found to be eligible according to the criteria set out in NIRB's *Participant Funding Guide*. This does not mean that activities and expenses that were not chosen are

ineligible. The Committee chose amongst eligible activities and expenses those that it believed would bring most value to the review of the Kiggavik project

Detailed Recommendations and Rationales for Each Eligible Applicant:

1. Beverly and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board

The Committee finds the proposed contribution of the BQCMB to be in the highest priority, as they have been highly respected and providing important information and advice on management of the Beverly and Qamanirjuaq caribou for a very long time. Ensuring that the potential health and migratory effects on caribou are well understood is a crucial part of the NIRB's Review. The BQCMB also represent many different parties through one voice, which the Committee believes contributes to the efficient expenditure of funds. The Committee believes that workshops held with a facilitator to obtain knowledge from local experts will be especially valuable. The recommendation of the Committee is to award \$90 000 to the BQCMB, allocated as following:

Local collection/distribution of information	\$3 500
Professional Fees (excluding Legal fees)	\$54 000
Travel Expenses	\$30 000
Office Supplies	\$500
Rental of office space/meeting rooms	\$2 000

2. Baker Lake Hunters and Trappers Organization

The Committee places the Baker Lake HTO in the highest priority as far as their interest in the Project and the value of the Traditional Knowledge their members can contribute to the Review. Although the HTO did not request funding for local collection and distribution of information in their requested funding, the Committee felt that the activities described in their proposal, such as collecting traditional knowledge from its members and holding meetings to this end, belong in this category and as such have decided to allocate funds to it. The Committee recommends the HTO be awarded \$80 000, allocated as following:

Local collection/distribution of information	\$12 000
Professional Fees (excluding Legal fees)	\$40 000
Travel Expenses	\$15 000
Office Supplies	\$1 000
Rental of office space/meeting rooms	\$1 000
Legal Fees	\$10 000
General media advertising/promotion	\$1 000

3. Nunavummiut Makitagunarningit

The Committee finds that Nunavummiut Makitagunarningit will bring a unique perspective through their contributions of both scientific and Inuit knowledge to the Review. The Committee observed that the costs listed in the application appeared to be inflated and would have appreciated more details on what requested expenses were to be spent on. The Committee was pleased to observe that NM anticipated the cost of hiring professional translators, and although NM has separated these costs from Professional fees (excluding legal fees) in their application, the Committee has included

such costs in the Professional fees (excluding legal fees) category below. The recommendation put forth by the Committee is for \$50 000, allocated as following:

Local collection/distribution of information	\$1 500
Professional Fees (excluding Legal fees)	\$40 000
Travel Expenses	\$8 000
Office Supplies	\$500

4. Hamlet of Baker Lake

The Committee finds that the Hamlet of Baker Lake does have an important interest in the Project, however it places this applicant in a lower priority as the Committee believes there are other avenues for them, as an agency of public government, to receive funding for their participation in the Review. The Committee does believe the most important role of the Hamlet will be to inform residents and create awareness in the community and recommends funding for this as well as to support the activities of the staff that is already hired on contract to provide for community and economic development. The Committee recommends the Hamlet of Baker Lake be awarded \$10 000, allocated as following:

Local collection/distribution of information	\$5 000
Professional Fees (excluding Legal fees)	\$5 000

5. Canadian Arctic Resources Committee Inc (CARC).

The Committee expects that the applicant's proposed participation would be of relevance to the review and likely of high quality, however it finds that there is significant overlap with the proposed contributions of the BQCMB, which the Committee believes would be better suited in addressing the issues in question. The Committee also finds that the requested travel and professional fee rates are quite high. The Committee recommends that \$10 000 be provided to CARC for travel expenses to be used in participating in the Review.

6. Athabasca Denesuline (Prince Albert Grand Council)

The Committee finds that the Athabasca Denesuline have legitimate interest in the Project and are in a position to provide information that would be useful for the review of the project. The Committee also recognizes that the Athabasca Denesuline are represented on the BQCMB and finds that available funding may be used more efficiently by funding the BQCMB, who represent several interests. The Committee recommends allocating \$5000 to the Athabasca Denesuline, in order to fund travel expenses incurred through their participation in the Review.

7. Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation

The Committee finds that the Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation has legitimate interest in the Project and is in a position to provide useful information for review of the project. The proposed activities appear to be eligible for funding. However, the Committee also recognizes that the Lutsel K'e are represented on the BQCMB and finds that available

funding may be used more efficiently through an applicant that represents many interests. The Committee recommends allocating \$5000 to the Lutsel K'e, in order to fund travel expenses incurred through their participation in the Review

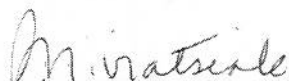
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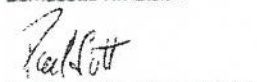
The Committee finds that the Applicant's proposal to inform members of his community and collect their opinions would duplicate NIB's activities as well as those of the Kivalliq Inuit Association and does not recommend any funding be allocated. In addition Arviat has representation on the BQCMB and the Keewatin Wildlife Management Board. However, the Applicant is encouraged to submit his opinions to the NIB directly, or to the Arviat representative on the BQCMB, Arviat HTO, Kivalliq Inuit Association, and, or Keewatin Wildlife Management Board.

9. Kitikmeot Inuit Association

The Committee finds that the activities proposed by the Kitikmeot Inuit association should be within their normal operations and therefore agreed not to recommend any funding to this organization. In addition, the Committee believes the interests of Designated Inuit Organizations under the Nunavut Land Claim will be adequately represented by the Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. throughout the review of this project.

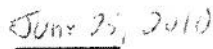
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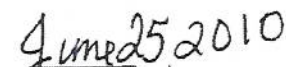

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**Addendum to the Final Report on Recommendations of the Participant
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In its report, the Committee agreed with the view of the NIRB that, because of the Kivalliq Inuit Association's role in negotiating a Water Compensation Agreement and an Inuit Impact Benefit Agreement for the Kiggavik Project that they may have a direct commercial interest in the Project and, therefore, were ineligible to receive funding. The Committee has now been advised by INAC that this may not be a legally permissible reason to disqualify the Kivalliq Inuit Association from consideration.

Without passing any judgements on the legal issues, the Committee has re-examined the Kivalliq Inuit Association application. In doing so, the Committee has considered a number of factors including the limited amount of funding available and the importance of distributing these limited funds to the groups and organizations who are in the most need of financial support to effectively participate in the NIRB review of the Project. Following this re-examination, the Committee stands by its recommendation that the Kivalliq Inuit Association not be awarded any funding. As was the case with the Kitikmeot Inuit Association, the Committee finds that the activities proposed by the Kivalliq Inuit Association should be within their normal operations and, therefore, does not support any funding to this organization. In addition, the Committee believes the interests of the Inuit of the Kivalliq area will be adequately represented by the Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. throughout the review of the Project.

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