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Via e-mail: info@nirb.ca

## Re: Participant Funding Update for AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s Kiggavik Project

Dear Mr. Barry,

As indicated in the Nunavut Impact Review Board's letter dated August 12, 2010, the Board is awaiting formal indication from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada of the finalization of contribution agreements for participant funding. We would like to provide you with an update on our actions as well as the current status of funding for each applicant for the current funding phase.

In order to proceed with the distribution of participant funding, on August 10, 2010, INAC sent each participant funding recipient correspondence describing the administrative process for the funding agreements and requesting they provide their expected expenditures up until March 31, 2011. Although no deadline was set, INAC requested that the information be provided as soon as possible. Please note that INAC has followed up with recipients on a regular basis since the initial correspondence.

As of today, the status of each contribution agreement is as follows:

- Beverly and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board: Information received, administration of contribution agreement in process.
- Canadian Arctic Resources Committee Inc.: Information received, administration of contribution agreement in process.

- Athabasca Denesuline (Prince Albert Grand Council): Information received, no contribution agreement will be administered for this funding period.
- Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation: Information received, no contribution agreement will be administered for this funding period.
- Hamlet of Baker Lake: Partial information received, awaiting further information before administration of contribution agreement can commence.
- Baker Lake Hunters and Trappers Organization: Information not yet received, however they have indicated to INAC that it will be provided shortly.
- **Nunavummiut Makitagunarningit:** Information not yet received, however they have indicated to INAC that it will be provided shortly.

Once all necessary information is provided, INAC estimates that it will take approximately three weeks to complete the administration of the contribution agreements, at which point funds will be accessible to recipients. Please note that the above estimate is contingent on timely responses by recipients throughout the administration of these agreements.

We hope this information is of assistance to the Board. Should you have any questions or require any further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 975-4567, or at margaux.brisco@inac-ainc.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

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