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To: Kiggavik Distribution List

*Sent via email*

**Re: Comments received on the Revised Draft Scope and Draft Environmental Impact Statement Guidelines for the AREVA Resources Canada “Kiggavik” Project**

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Dear Parties:

On November 15, 2010 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) distributed a request for public comments and advice on the *Revised Draft* Scope for the assessment of AREVA Resources Canada Inc.’s (the Proponent) “Kiggavik” project and on the *Draft* project-specific guidelines for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) by the Proponent for the “Kiggavik” project. On or before January 25, 2011 the NIRB received comments from the following parties:

- Kivalliq Inuit Association/Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. (KIA/NTI)
- Government of Nunavut (GN)
- Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC)
- Environment Canada (EC)
- Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO)
- Health Canada (HC)
- Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)
- Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)
- Transport Canada (TC)
- Athabasca Denesuliné Negotiation Team (ADNT)
- Beverly and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board (BQCMB)
- Canadian Arctic Resources Committee (CARC)
- Lutsel K’e Dene First Nation (LKDFN)
- Nunavummiut Makitagunarningit (NM)
- Laura Bowman (private citizen)

All comment submissions have been uploaded to the NIRB’s ftp site and can be accessed at the following links:

<http://ftp.nirb.ca/02-REVIEWS/ACTIVE%20REVIEWS/09MN003-AREVA%20KIGGAVIK/2-REVIEW/04-SCOPING%20%26%20GUIDELINES/01-SCOPING/03-COMMENTS/>

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The NIRB would like to thank all commenting parties for the time and effort spent reviewing these important documents. The Board is now reviewing comment submissions and will revise the *Revised Draft* Scope and the *Draft* EIS Guidelines accordingly. The next step in the review process will be the release of the *Final* Scope and an opportunity for public comment on the *Revised Draft* EIS Guidelines, anticipated to occur during the week of February 7, 2011. Parties will again have an opportunity to provide their advice and expertise to the Board, highlighting any remaining areas of concern for discussion at a Guidelines development workshop. The EIS Guidelines development workshop will be a 1-2 day workshop, tentatively scheduled for the week of March 21, 2011 in Baker Lake. More details on both the *Revised Draft* EIS Guidelines and the Guidelines development workshop will be released in the weeks to come.

If you have any questions or require clarification on any aspect of the NIRB's review of the Kiggavik project, please contact me directly at [sgranchinho@nirb.ca](mailto:sgranchinho@nirb.ca) or by phone at (867) 793-4633.

Sincerely,



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