

NIRB File No. 09MN003

July 6, 2011

To: Kiggavik Distribution List

Sent via email

Re: Next steps in the NIRB's review of AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s "Kiggavik" project

Dear Parties:

On June 2, 2011 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received correspondence from AREVA Resources Canada Inc. (AREVA) providing an anticipated date of November 30, 2011 for the submission of a *Draft* Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the NIRB's review of the Kiggavik project proposal. Consequently, the NIRB has updated the anticipated timelines for the review of the Kiggavik project based on this submission date (see attached Appendix A) and is forwarding it to parties to allow for required planning and updating of contribution agreements as may be necessary.

Upon receipt of the DEIS, the NIRB anticipates that it would take approximately 15 days to conduct an internal review of the material to determine whether the DEIS addresses the provisions of the guidelines. Once completed and the DEIS is deemed satisfactory by the NIRB, parties will be given an opportunity to submit information requests (IRs). Please note that, should the current anticipated timelines prove accurate, the Board will adjust its standard 30 day timeline for the submission of IRs to account for the holiday season.

Once IRs have been received by the NIRB on the DEIS, the NIRB will forward the IRs to the Proponent and other parties as deemed necessary. The time required for submission of an adequate IR response is primarily Proponent-driven; however, the NIRB may exercise its discretion and establish an acceptable timeline for the Proponent's response if deemed appropriate.

The NIRB also anticipates that it may host additional community information sessions this upcoming fall/winter throughout the Kivalliq region to provide information and materials related to uranium mining and uranium issues and to promote effective public participation in the NIRB's review process. More details and advance notice of these potential sessions will be forthcoming at a later date.

If you have any questions or require further clarification related to the review process, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (867) 793-4633 or sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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Attachment: Appendix A: Anticipated Timeline for the NIRB's Review of the Kiggavik Project

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