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Sent via email: tammy.vanlambalgen@areva.ca

Re: Receipt of Technical Review Comment Submissions for the NIRB's Review of AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s Kiggavik project

Dear Tammy Van Lambalgen:

On May 4, 2012 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) initiated the public technical review period for the *Draft* Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) submitted by AREVA Resources Canada Inc. (AREVA or Proponent) for the Kiggavik project proposal (NIRB File No. 09MN003). Following the receipt of AREVA's response to Information Requests, on February 6, 2013 the NIRB invited interested parties to provide the Board with their technical review comments regarding the DEIS for the Kiggavik project by April 8, 2013.

On or before April 8, 2013 the NIRB received technical review comment submissions from the following parties:

- Kivalliq Inuit Association/Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. (KIA/NTI)
- Government of Nunavut (GN)
- Government of Canada including:
 - Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC)
 - Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC)
 - Environment Canada (EC)
 - Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO)
 - Health Canada (HC)
 - Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)
 - Transport Canada (TC)
- Baker Lake Hunters and Trappers Organization (BL HTO)

- Beverly and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board (BQCMB)
- Nunavummiut Makitagunarningit (NM)

All technical review comments received by the Board can be accessed online at the NIRB's public registry using the following link:

<http://ftp.nirb.ca/02-REVIEWS/ACTIVE%20REVIEWS/09MN003-AREVA%20KIGGAVIK/2-REVIEW/07-IRS%20%26%20TECHNICAL%20REVIEW/04-TECHNICAL%20REVIEW/>.

The NIRB would like to offer AREVA an opportunity to provide an overview response to the technical review comments to facilitate the discussions at the upcoming Technical Meeting in Rankin Inlet (*May 28–May 31, 2013*) and request that the response be provided to the NIRB by **May 8, 2013**. This response should briefly outline AREVA's understanding of the main issues raised in the technical comments and its proposed plans to address and resolve these issues and related concerns through its upcoming *Final* EIS submission, including a draft list of commitments if possible. The draft list of commitments should also include an indication of AREVA's plans to satisfy any Information Requests directed to AREVA where a response was deferred to a later stage in the Review process (technical review, technical meeting), development of the *Final* EIS, or during the licensing/permitting/authorization application phase. The NIRB will budget time at the beginning of the Technical Meeting for AREVA to present its response to parties, which is intended to focus the following discussion on the most appropriate items. The Board asks that AREVA be prepared to provide sufficient printed copies of any related presentation materials for parties in attendance at the meeting.

In advance of the Technical Meeting, the NIRB requests that AREVA provide a listing of its planned attendees, with an indication of their area of expertise. Once the NIRB receives AREVA's technical review response, the NIRB will circulate a draft agenda for the Technical Meeting and will provide an opportunity for parties to comment on the ordering of discussion items prior to finalizing.

The NIRB requests that AREVA provide its technical review response and list of planned attendees to the Board via email at info@nirb.ca or by fax to (867) 983-2594 on or before **May 8, 2013**.

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

Sincerely,



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Kiggavik Distribution List