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File No: NWB1MEA

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Nunavut Planning Commission
P.O. Box 141
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Subject: Cumberland Resources Ltd. – Meadowbank Gold Project– Land Use Plan Conformity Review – New

The Nunavut Water Board received an application for a new water licence on April 7, 2003 from Cumberland Resources Ltd. for water use and waste disposal associated with Mine Development for the Meadowbank Gold Project in the Kivalliq region. This application for a water licence is deemed a “project proposal” under the NLCA and is subject to the provisions of Article 11,12, and 13 of the NLCA.

In accordance with S.11.5.10 of the *Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*, this project proposal shall be reviewed by the Nunavut Planning Commission to determine conformity with an approved land use plan, before it can be processed by the Nunavut Water Board.

The application documents are available through the internet on our ftp site at <ftp://ftp.nwb.yk.com> in the folder “NWB1 MINING or BULK SAMPLING” and sub-folder “NWB1MEA.”

Upon completion of the review, please forward the project proposal with your determination and any recommendations to our office or other appropriate federal or territorial agencies as required. The Nunavut Water Board would appreciate receiving a copy of any correspondence that would indicate the status of the conformity check.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:
Phyllis Beaulieu
A/Licensing Administrator

cc. Craig Goodings, Cumberland Resources Ltd.
Gladys Joudrey, NIRB