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Via Email

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Meadowbank Gold Project Response to Minister Letter dated July 28, 2005

The Kivalliq Inuit Association (KIA) has reviewed the Minister's letter concerning the Meadowbank Gold Project, all-weather road and would like to thank the Nunavut Impact Review Board for including us in the review process.

The KIA agrees with the Minister's decision regarding the magnitude of the road project and the impacts to Baker Lake residents. It is KIA's belief that the proposed road is a significant project and the effects should be appropriately assessed. The Hamlet of Baker Lake is directly affected by the access road and KIA agrees the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) should address both environmental impacts and socioeconomic effects in relation to the project and to affected communities.

The KIA would also like to remind all parties involved in the review process that Under Article 26 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement, a separate IIBA will be negotiated with Cumberland Resources Ltd. with regards to specific Inuit Benefits for all Inuit of the Nunavut Territory.

The KIA would like to thank NIRB for including us in the review process and we look forward to moving this project into the next review stage. If you require any further assistants please feel free to contact the undersigned at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

Luis Manzo
Director of Lands