



File No. **03MN107**

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Mr. Craig Goodings
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Via email: cgoodings@cumberlandresources.com

Re: Meadowbank Gold Project Final Hearing Schedule

Dear Mr. Goodings:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) acknowledges receipt on December 2, 2005 of comments from Parties on the timing of the Meadowbank Gold Project Review process and Final Hearing and on Cumberland Resources Ltd's (Cumberland) suggestion to compress the review timeline. Comments have been received by the following Parties:

- Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated (NTI);
- Kivalliq Inuit Association (KivIA);
- Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) on behalf of Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), Transport Canada (TC), Health Canada (HC) and Environment Canada (EC);
- Government of Nunavut – Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs; and

As stated in NIRB's letter to Cumberland dated November 28, 2005, NIRB is sending Cumberland these comments (attached) for its reply, if any, by **Monday December 5, 2005 5:00 pm MST**. NIRB has also uploaded the comments to its ftp site at:

http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nirb/03MN107-MEADOWBANK_GOLD_PROJECT/02-REVIEW/08-FINAL_EIS/CORRESPONDENCE/.

If you have any questions, please contact me at ktunaley@nirb.nunavut.ca or 867-983-4605.

Sincerely,

(original signed by:)

Karlette Tunaley
Technical Advisor

cc Honourable Andy Scott, Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
Meadowbank Distribution List

Attachments: KivIA Comments
NTI Comments
INAC Comments
GN-Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs Comments