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Stephanie Briscoe
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Dear Ms. Briscoe:

RE: Meadowbank Gold Project FEIS Conformity and Final Hearing Schedule

Transport Canada (TC) would like to thank the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) for the opportunity to respond to your letter of November 28, 2005 regarding the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) Conformity Meeting scheduled for December 15, 2005 and for comments on the timing of the review process.

Transport Canada has agreed to the NIRB's schedule for a 115-day technical review period as per the letter of November 25, 2005. Moreover, if Cumberland receives a positive FEIS conformity review from NIRB, a compressed time schedule for a 90-day technical review period would be acceptable to Transport Canada.

Transport Canada is currently in the process of reviewing the FEIS and coordinating their federal expertise with NWP. We would be interested in participating by teleconference on December 15th, 2005. However, our review is currently being conducted and we are unsure if it will be completed by December 15 to discuss conformity issues. Transport Canada would also suggest that a detailed agenda for the meeting be prepared to allow all parties to focus on the issues that will be discussed.

Transport Canada looks forward to working with NIRB on the review of the Meadowbank Gold Project. Should you have questions or need clarification, please contact me on behalf of TC and NWP involved with this response.

Your Sincerely,

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