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Ms. Stephanie Briscoe Executive Director Nunavut Impact Review Board P.O. Box 2379 Cambridge Bay, Nunavut X0B 0C0

Dear Ms. Briscoe:

RE: Construction of a Single Diesel Fuel Tank at the Meadowbank Property

Further to the receipt of a copy of the letter of March 5, 2004 from John Donihee to NIRB I wish to make the following observations:

The letter requests that NIRB give consideration to a claim that certain provisions as outlined apply to the construction of a new fuel tank. Additionally, the letter indicates that – "Once the new tank is constructed, Cumberland can decommission and clean up the areas around the eight smaller tanks." (pps 2,3)

I would recommend that, in dealing with this request, NIRB ensure that the cleanup and decommissioning matter referred to in the letter be also addressed and that a decision on the cleanup and on the disposition of the existing tanks be completed in a timeframe and manner satisfactory to the Board.

Yours truly,
Fred O'Brien
Regional Environmental Health Officer