April 28, 1999

Mr. Joe Ahmad Executive Director Nunavut Impact Review Board Cambridge Bay, NT X0E 0C0

Subject: Meadowbank Exploration Project - Request for Screening

NWB file No. NWB2MEA9899

Dear Mr. Ahmad,

The Nunavut Water Board received an application for a licence amendment dated March 18, 1999, from Nunavut Environmental Ltd. on behalf of Cumberland Resources Ltd. to modify channel flow conditions for measuring lake discharge, in support of their exploration program in the Meadowbank River area near Baker Lake.

In accordance with Articles 12 and 13 of the *Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*, this project shall be screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board to determine whether it has significant impact potential, and whether it requires review, before the application can be processed by the Nunavut Water Board. I would appreciate if you could inform me of your deadline to complete your determination so that we may formally advise the applicant and the public accordingly.

Sincerely,

David Porter Licence Administration

C.c. Nunavut Environmental Ltd. Cumberland Resources Ltd.