

June 10, 1999

Mr. Joe Ahmad
Executive Director
Nunavut Impact Review Board
Cambridge Bay, NT
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Subject: Meadowbank Gold Project - Request for Screening
NWB file No. NWB2MEA9899

Dear Mr. Ahmad,

The Nunavut Water Board received an application for a licence dated May 13, 1999, from Cumberland Resources Ltd. Regarding proposed exploration trenching at the Meadowbank Gold project 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

Cc. Cumberland Resources Ltd.