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File No: NWB2MEA0002

February 21, 2002

Ms. Gladys Joudrey Environmental Assessment Officer Nunavut Impact Review Board P.O. Box 2379 Cambridge Bay, NU X0E 0C0

Subject: Cumberland Resources Ltd. - Meadowbank – Request for Screening- Renewal

The Nunavut Water Board received a new application on February 12, 2002 from Cumberland Resources Ltd. for water use and waste disposal associated with exploratory drilling.

In accordance with S.11.5.10 of the *Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area* and *Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*, this project proposal was first sent for review to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) for their review. As indicated in the letter forwarded to your office by NPC dated February 20, 2002, this review is now complete.

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.

The application documents are available through the internet on our ftp site at ftp.nwb.yk.com in the folder "NWB2MEA."

As you might already be screening this project with regards to the land use permit application, pllease let our office know when we can expect your screening report so that we can set our deadlines accordingly.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Rita Becker Licensing Administrator

cc. Roger March, Cumberland Resources Ltd.