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File No: NWB2MEA0204

April 8, 2003

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

Subject: <u>Cumberland Resources Ltd. – Meadowbank Project – Request for Screening – Amendment</u>

The Nunavut Water Board received an amendment application on February 17, 2003 from Cumberland Resources for water use and waste disposal associated with mineral exploration, diamond and RC drilling, fuel vault installation, trenching, camp construction, and baseline environmental and archeological studies. Indications are that this project was previously screened in March 2002 under file number 02ER026 and NPC file KVL300C184 dated February 20, 2002.

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.

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://ftp.nwb.yk.com in the folder "NWB2MEA0204."

Please let our office know when we can expect your screening report so that we can set our deadlines accordingly.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Phyllis Beaulieu A/Licensing Administrator

Cc: Roger March, Cumberland Resources Ltd.