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ATTACH CONFORMITY REVIEW FORM.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PROPOSED ROAD DEVELOPMENT IS CURRENTLY BEING SCREENED BY NIRB AS PART OF CUMBERLAND'S PROPOSED MEADOWBANK PROJECT. FINAL HEARINGS FOR THE FEIS ARE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN MARCH 27, 2006 IN BAKER LAKE.

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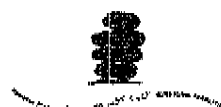
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Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan

Conformity Determination Process

PROJECT DESCRIPTION FORM



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 Right of way application for Tehek Lake Access road for Cumberland Resources Ltd's Meadowbank Project

Project **IS** a proposal for and **DOES INVOLVE**:

- A transportation and/or communications corridor.

Project is **NOT** a proposal for and **DOES NOT INVOLVE**:

- Hydrocarbon exploration in the area encompassing southern Southampton Island and Coats Island.
- Hydroelectric development.
- Low-level flights by aircraft at less than 300 metres.
- Mining development.
- Academic and/or scientific research.
- Uranium development.

I (on behalf of myself and all project personnel) will comply with the conformity requirements of the *Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan* by:

- Leaving Artifacts where they are found.
- Reporting the discovery of all suspected archaeological sites to CLEY.
- Reporting the location of, or any removal or disturbance of, artifacts to CLEY.
- Abiding by the Caribou Protection Measures in Appendix H.
- Abiding by the Code of Good Conduct in Appendix G.
- Preventing new occurrences of pollution, garbage and contamination, ensuring that all drums are safely recovered, and, to the greatest degree possible, restoring the landscape of the project site to its natural state and/or original condition.
- Whenever practicable, and consistent with sound procurement management, following the practice of local purchase of supplies and services.
- Reporting to the land managers any illegal or questionable low level flights.

APPENDIX G

Code of Good Conduct for Land Users

1. The landscape of each camp and other land use sites will be restored to its original condition to the greatest degree possible. Water quality will be preserved, and no substances that will impair water quality will be dumped in water bodies. When possible and feasible, old sites will be restored to the natural state.
2. All land users shall assist communities and government(s) in identifying and protecting archaeological sites and carving-stone sites, as required by law.
3. Generally, low-level flights by aircraft at less than 300 metres should not occur where they will disturb wildlife or people. If such flights are necessary, they should only take place after consultation with the appropriate communities. All land users are responsible for reporting to the land managers any illegal or questionable low-level flight.
4. All activities on the land will be conducted in such a fashion that the renewable resources of the area in question are conserved.
5. Whenever practicable, and consistent with sound procurement management, land users will follow the practice of local purchase of supplies and services.
6. Land users will establish working relationships with local communities and respect the traditional users of the land.
7. During the caribou calving, post-calving and migrating seasons, land use activities should be restricted to avoid disturbing caribou, in general, and activities will be governed more specifically by caribou protection measures such as those contained in Appendix H.
8. Artifacts must be left where they are found. All land users are responsible for reporting the location of, or any removal or disturbance of, artifacts to CLEY.
9. The mining industry is encouraged to assist in identifying local carving-stone deposits and report any discoveries to KIA. Industry is also encouraged to identify and report old waste sites that need to be cleaned up.
10. All land users shall obey the laws of general application applying to land use.

APPENDIX H

DIAND Caribou Protection Measures

1. (a) The Permittee shall not, without approval, conduct any activity between May 15 and July 15 within the Caribou Protection Areas depicted on the map certified by the Engineer as the "Caribou Protection Map" and annexed to this Land Use Permit.
- (b) A Permittee may, upon approval by the Land Use Inspector, operate within the said Caribou Protection Areas beyond the May 15 deadline set out in 1(a), provided that, when monitoring information indicates that caribou cows are approaching the area of operation, the Permittee will implement 1(c).
- (c) On cessation of activities pursuant to 1(a) or 1(b), the Permittee will remove from the zone all personnel who are not required for the maintenance and protection of the camp facilities and equipment, unless otherwise directed by the Land Use Inspector.
- (d) The Permittee may commence or resume activities prior to July 15 within those parts of the Caribou Protection Areas released by the Land Use Inspector for the reason that caribou cows are not expected to use those parts for calving or post-calving (note 1).
2. (a) In the event that caribou cows calve outside of the Caribou Protection Areas, the Permittee shall suspend operations within the area(s) occupied by cows and/or calves between May 15 and July 15.
- (b) In the event that caribou cows and calves are present, the permittee shall suspend:
 - (i) blasting;
 - (ii) overflights by aircraft at any altitude of less than 300 meters above ground level; and
 - (iii) the use of snowmobiles and ATVs (all-terrain vehicles) outside the immediate vicinity of the camp.

NOTE

1. The Land Use Inspector's decision will be based on the existing caribou information.
2. Concentrations of caribou should be avoided by low-level aircraft at all times.

3. (a) During migration of caribou, the Permittee shall not locate any operation so as to block or cause substantial diversion to migration.
- (b) The Permittee shall cease activities that may interfere with migration, such as airborne geophysics surveys or movement of equipment, until the migrating caribou have passed.
4. (a) The Permittee shall not, between May 15 and September 1, construct any camp, cache any fuel, or conduct any blasting within 10 kilometres of any "Designated Crossing" as outlined on the map certified by the Engineer as the "Caribou Protection Map" and annexed to this Land Use Permit.
- (b) The Permittee shall not, between May 15 and September 1, conduct any diamond drilling operation within 5 kilometres of any "Designated Crossing" as outlined on the map certified by the Engineer as the "Caribou Protection Map" and annexed to this Land Use Permit.

KIA Sample Land Use Permit Caribou and Muskox Protection Conditions

35. The Permittee is given permission to conduct the approved land use operations between May 15 and July 15, provided that when caribou and muskox cows are approaching the area of operation, the Permittee shall cease blasting, overflights by aircraft at any altitude less than 300 meters above ground level, and the use of snowmobiles and ATVs (all-terrain vehicles) outside the immediate vicinity of the camp. Other activities shall also be suspended if caribou approach the immediate vicinity of the specific operation and the monitoring work (described in another clause) indicates that there is stress on the animals.
36. During the presence of caribou and muskox within sight and sound of a camp, all personnel will remain quietly in camp.
37. The Permittee may resume activities prior to July 15 if the caribou and muskox cows have ceased to use the area for calving and post-calving.
39. The Permittee shall not locate any operation so as to block or cause substantial diversion to migration of caribou.

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From KIA Land Use Permit BHP 197C141

APPENDIX I

Marine and Terrestrial Transportation/Communications Corridor Alternative Route Assessment

Applicants wishing to develop a transportation and/or communications corridor in the Keewatin region are required to provide the NPC with the following information:

1. A description of the proposed corridor, including its use, its general routing, the possible environmental and social impacts, and any seasonal considerations that may be appropriate.
2. A comparison of the proposed route with alternative routes in terms of environmental and social factors as well as technical and cost considerations.
3. An assessment of the suitability of the corridor for the inclusion of other possible communication and transportation initiatives (roads, transmission lines, pipelines, etc.). This assessment should include:
 - the environmental, social and terrain engineering consequences, and the cumulative impacts of the project, and
 - the environmental and social impact of the project on nearby settlements or on nearby existing and proposed transportation systems.

APPENDIX J

Marine and Terrestrial Transportation/Communications Corridor Guidelines

The following planning guidelines will be used in the assessment of a new transportation / communications corridor proposal:

1. The corridor width shall be a function of:
 - the number and type of identified facilities within the corridor;
 - physical and biophysical conditions;
 - availability of detailed engineering data for one or more transportation modes within the corridor;
 - safe distances between different facilities within the corridor; and
 - aesthetics.
2. Corridors shall:
 - minimize negative impacts on community lifestyles;
 - improve access to other resources having high potential for development, while still maintaining the shortest practicable distance between the primary resource areas and the trans-shipment location;
- be designed in accordance with existing and prospective land use capability including topography, soil, permafrost and wildlife; and
- be designed in accordance with the availability of granular supplies.
3. In keeping with existing legal and legislative requirements, including the NLCA, corridors shall not negatively impact:
 - community business, residential and projected expansion areas;
 - important fish and wildlife harvesting areas;
 - key habitat for fish and wildlife species, especially areas used by endangered species;
 - areas of high scenic, historic, cultural and archaeological value.

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This form includes:

- Project Description
- Appendix G - Code of Good Conduct
- Appendix H - Caribou Protection Measures
- Appendix I - Corridor Alternative Route Assessment
- Appendix J - Corridor Guidelines
- This signature page

This form comprises 8 pages.

I have read, understand, and agree to the statements on this
and the preceding 7 pages.

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Project ID (eight characters)

MARCH 16, 2006

Date (YYYY/MM/DD)

Roger March

Signature

*Please print, sign, and fax back to **1-866-NUNAFAX (686-2329)***

Questions or concerns?

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