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June 13, 2008

Honourable Minister Strahl, PC., MP Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada 10 Wellington, 21st Floor Gatineau, QC, K1A 0H4

Via email: Strahl.C@parl.gc.ca

Re: <u>Extension Request for NIRB Screening of Kivalliq Energy Corporation's Angilak</u> Project Proposal

Dear Minister:

Pursuant to Section 12.4.5 (b) of the Nunavut Land Claim Agreement (NLCA), the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) hereby requests more time to screen the project proposal referenced above (INAC File #N2008C0026).

The NIRB received Kivalliq Energy Corporation's Angilak Project Proposal from the Kivalliq Inuit Association (KIA) on March 27, 2008. However, the project proposal appeared to be located in an area which required conformity to the *Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan*, and was sent to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) for a conformity determination with this Plan. In addition, the NIRB undertook a preliminary completeness check of the project proposal and found that it did not contain sufficient information to conduct an environmental screening. A request was sent to the proponent on March 28, 2008 for the additional information. On April 29, 2008 the NIRB received a positive conformity determination for the Kivalliq Energy Corporation's Angilak project proposal from the NPC, and on May 5, 2008 the NIRB received the Land Use Application from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. The NIRB assigned this project proposal file number 08EN052 and commenced the Part 4 screening.

On May 12, 2008, the NIRB requested once more for additional information from the proponent to complete the screening of the project proposal. On June 5, 2008 the proponent indicated (via telephone) that certain components were difficult to complete and requested additional time to submit the information. As such, the NIRB is unable to provide a screening decision within the appropriate time period as per Section 12.4.5 of the NLCA and therefore requires additional time to screen the project proposal.

If this request is approved, NIRB understands that the authorizing agency will inform the Proponent, stakeholders and interested Parties on the extension.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

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