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Dear Ms. Copland:

The Honourable John Duncan has asked me to reply to your letter of March 22, 2012, and Mr. Ryan Barry's letter of March 16, 2012, regarding the screening decision of the Nunavut Impact Review Board on the amendment request for Kivalliq Energy Corporation's "Angilak" Project Proposal, Kivalliq, Nunavut (NIRB 08EN052, ÁANDC N2008C0026).

Under Article 12.4.4 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement, the Nunavut Impact Review Board is required to advise the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development of its screening decision on project proposals. As indicated in your letter, as per Article 12.4.3 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement, the Nunavut Impact Review Board has determined that this project proposal will result in a change to the original scope of the project. The Nunavut Impact Review Board has recommended continuance of project-specific terms and conditions contained in the Screening Decision Reports dated July 31, 2008, as well as new terms and conditions that may be attached to regulatory approvals for the project. I would like to thank the Nunavut Impact Review Board for its diligence in reviewing this proposal.

In order to expedite the issuance of regulatory authorizations, it is important that the appropriate regulatory authorities are advised of the Nunavut Impact Review Board screening decisions. For this reason, I appreciate your efforts to copy the Land Administration Unit of the Department's Nunavut regional office on this and other screening decisions.