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October 28, 2011

The Honourable John Duncan
Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development
Executive Offices
10 Wellington St.
Gatineau, QC K1A 0H4

Via email: Duncan.j@parl.gc.ca and minister@aandc.gc.ca

Re: Extension Request for NIRB Screening of Peregrine Diamonds Ltd.'s "Bulk Sample at Chidliak" Project Proposal

Dear Mr. Duncan:

Pursuant to Section 12.4.5(b) of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) hereby requests more time to screen the project proposal referenced above (NIRB 11EA050).

On October 12, 2011 the NIRB received partial materials for Peregrine Diamonds Ltd.'s (Peregrine) "Bulk Sample at Chidliak" project proposal from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC), along with a request for the NIRB's recommendation to be provided by November 2, 2011. The NIRB received the remainder of the outstanding application materials from Peregrine on October 13, 2011. The NIRB has determined that the activities being applied for are outside of the scope of those originally screened by the NIRB in accordance with Part 4, Article 12 of the NLCA (NIRB File No. 08EN002) and that the current project proposal will require additional screening pursuant to NLCA 12.4.4. The NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number 11EA050 and has commenced its assessment of the application.

Additional time is being requested to allow for an adequate assessment of the proposed project in accordance with Section 12.4.5(b) of the NLCA. It is anticipated that the screening process will be completed by November 24, 2011.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan Barry". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Ryan Barry
Executive Director
Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Shirley Standafer-Pfister, Peregrine Diamonds Ltd.
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