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Dear Richard Dwyer, Cassel Kapolak, Tracey McCaie, Wynter Kuliktana, Caroline Whittle, and Alexandre Jones Vilela da Silva:

RE: NPC File # 150589 [Coppermine Project]

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. Mineral Exploration: 1501253 B.C. Ltd. plans on conducting a maiden exploration program during 2025, which will involve a drilling campaign, geological prospecting and rock chip sampling, and geophysical surveys. The Company will focus on validating historic areas of high-grade mineralization, testing these with modern drilling techniques, and locating extensions to high-grade mineralization. Specific activities include:
 - Drilling will consist of around 1000-2000m of drilling across 10-15 holes.
 - Up to 20m³ of water will be used daily for drilling, which will be taken from a nearby lake or river.
 - Aviation fuel will be used for aircraft transportation, and diesel will be used to run the drill rig, which will be stored in barrels within a secondary containment at small caches with less than 3,800L.
2. Exploration activities may occur during spring, summer, fall or winter. Exploration activities will cease during the Blue Nose East Caribou Herd calving and post-calving, from 28th May to 3rd July. It is expected up to 15 people may be on-site at any given time, prospecting, drilling and geophysical surveys combined.
3. Location: Kitikmeot Region [Inuit Owned and Crown Lands near the community of Kugluktuk]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has determined that this project proposal is outside the area of an applicable regional land use plan and is exempt from screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB). The project proposal does not require screening because it belongs to a class of works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Agreement (NA), and the NPC does not have concerns regarding the cumulative impacts of the project proposal.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry.aspx?appid=150589>

This decision applies only to the above-noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects, and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 447-4563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'SA' with a horizontal line extending from the 'A'.

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