



**NIRB File No.: 07EN021**

INAC File No.: N2009C0018, 056J12001

KitIA File No.: KTL306C031, KTL305C004

NWB File No.: 2BE-CRA1015

December 17, 2010

Honourable John Duncan  
Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
Ottawa, ON

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**Re: Extension Request for NIRB Screening of North Country Gold Corp.'s "Committee Bay Project - Hayes Camp and Airstrip" Project Proposal**

Dear Honourable John Duncan:

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 (N2009C0018, 056J12001).

On December 16, 2010 the NIRB received North Country Gold Corp. (NCG) Committee Bay Project Hayes Camp and Airstrip project proposal from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. The NIRB assigned this project proposal file number 07EN021 and commenced the Part 4 screening.

Due to the holiday season and the significant nature of the amendments being screened for this application, it is necessary to give the public adequate opportunity to submit comments for this file.

The NIRB is not able to provide a screening decision for these applications within the 21 days as requested by INAC<sup>1</sup> and therefore requires additional time to screen the project proposal. It is anticipated that the screening process will be completed by January 24, 2011.

If this request is approved, the 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.

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<sup>1</sup> Decision for quarry permit application requested by January 5, 2010 in INAC letter to the NIRB received December 16, 2010

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephanie Autut', enclosed within a light gray rectangular border.

Stephanie Autut,  
Executive Director  
Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Jo Price, North Country Gold Corp.  
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