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Sent via email: Bryan.Atkinson@aurynresources.com

**Re: Acknowledgement of the 2019 Annual Report for North Country Gold Corp.'s
"Committee Bay" Project**

Dear Bryan Atkinson:

Please be advised that the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received North Country Gold Corp.'s (NCGC) 2019 Annual Report for the "Committee Bay" project on December 4, 2019 as required pursuant to Term and Condition 6 of the Screening Decision Report, dated November 14, 2016.

Term and Condition 6 states:

6. *(updated) The Proponent shall submit a comprehensive annual report with copies provided to the NIRB, Kitikmeot Inuit Association, INAC, ECCC and Government of Nunavut, Department of Environment (GN-DOE) by January 31st of each year following the calendar year reported. Annual reports must be provided until the project has been completed. The report must contain, but not be limited to, the following information:*
 - a. *A summary of activities undertaken for the year, including any progressive reclamation work undertaken, and a work plan for the following year –site photos should be provided where relevant;*
 - b. *A summary of how the Proponent has complied with NIRB conditions contained within the Screening Decision, and the conditions associated with all authorizations for the project proposal;*
 - c. *Wildlife monitoring observations, including:*
 - i. *description of any wildlife encounters and actions/mitigation taken*
 - ii. *maps of location of any sensitive wildlife sites*

- iii. *timing of critical life history events*
- iv. *potential impacts from the project*
- d. *The results of environmental studies undertaken and plans for future studies;*
- e. *A summary of local hires and initiatives;*
- f. *A summary of community consultations undertaken and follow-up actions required to resolve any concerns expressed about the project proposal (if relevant);*
- g. *A summary of site-visits by Land Use inspectors with results and follow-up actions;*
- h. *A summary of site-visits with community members (if conducted); and*
- i. *Efforts made to achieve compliance with the Canada-Wide Standards for Dioxins and Furans, and the Canada-Wide Standards for Mercury.*

Upon review of your submission we have concluded that NCGC's 2019 Annual Report for the "Committee Bay" project contains the information as required above and that there are no deficiencies to note.

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be accessed from the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca/project/124698.

If you have any questions or require further clarification, please contact the undersigned at (867) 983-4622 or motokiak@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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