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Dear Megan Lord-Hoyle, Calvin Ehaloak, Richard Dwyer, Carson Gillis, and Jared Ottenhof:

RE: NPC File No 151133 [Ege Bay Exploration Program]

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

1. **Primary Land Use:** Mineral Exploration
2. **Project summary description:** Baffinland is proposing to continue the Ege Bay Exploration Program which includes the use of a camp and other ancillary buildings to support a drill program and other exploration activities.
3. **Summary of modifications:** Baffinland is proposing to renew the Type B Water License 2BE-EQE1926 for Ege Bay exploration program, which expires on April 3, 2026. Baffinland is not proposing any changes to the scope of activities previously reviewed and approved by the NPC, NIRB and NWB in relation to the Ege Bay Exploration Program.
4. **Associated NPC File No.:**148801; **NIRB File No.:** 18EN026; **Related NWB File No.:** 2BE-EQE1926.
5. **Location:** Qikiqtani Region; [South Baffin at Ege Bay, approximately 90 km south of Steensby Port, and 190 km east of both Igloolik and Hall Beach]

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current project proposal and a determination was issued on April 17, 2018, that it is outside the area of an applicable regional land use plan. In addition, works and activities associated with the current proposal were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NO.: 18EN026).

The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that the continuation of mineral exploration activities does not change the general scope of the original project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the *Nunavut Agreement* do not apply.

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=151133>

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.

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Jurisdictional Note:

This conformity determination applies only to the components of the proposed project located within the Nunavut Settlement Area and under the Nunavut Planning Commission's statutory jurisdiction as defined in the Nunavut Agreement and the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA). Activities outside the NPC's jurisdiction remain subject to the review and regulatory processes of the relevant authorities. Proponents are responsible for identifying, contacting, and obtaining all required approvals from the appropriate regulators in every applicable jurisdiction to ensure compliance with all legislation, policies, and licensing requirements.