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Dear Ms. Ohokannoak, Mr. Kharatyan, Mr. Gillis, Mr. Williamson Bathory, and Ms. Lord-Hoyle:

RE: NPC File # 148801 [Eqe Bay Exploration Program]

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

- 1. Mineral Exploration: An initial drill program and other exploration activities in 2019 including a 50 person camp. Based on the results of the initial drill program, the exploration program may expand to include the following activities over the subsequent 5 years:
 - Operate up to 8 drills; Expand the initial camp to 100-persons; Implement bulk fuel storage using double-walled tanks; Source construction materials from one or two quarries;
 - Construct access trails to connect the camp to exploration areas to reduce helicopter use
 - Construct a small airstrip to improve air access to the site
- 2. Location: South Baffin at Eqe Bay, approximately 90 km south of Steensby Port, and 190 km east of both Igloolik and Hall Beach

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. The project proposal requires screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because it does not belong to a class of exempt works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Agreement.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the NIRB for screening. Project materials are available at the following address:

http://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148801&sessionid=

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) 979-3444.

Sincerely,

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