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Leslie Payette Manager of Environment Nunavut Impact Review Board P.O. Box 1360 Cambridge Bay, NU, X0B 0C0

Dear Leslie Payette:

# Re: Draft EIS Guidelines for the NIRB's Part 5 Review of the Garry Lake Project

Transport Canada (TC) has reviewed the Draft Guideline to the Preparation of an EIS For Uravan Minerals Inc.'s Garry Lake Project. TC is responsible for transportation policies and programs that promote a safe transportation system, ensuring that they work effectively and in an integrated manner.

With respect to this TC offers the following comments for your consideration:

### **Comments and Recommendations**

#### Section 8.5, Airborne Transportation -

Transport Canada would recommend that project activities related to Airborne Transportation be fully identified. Airstrips are required to operate in accordance with Canadian Aviation Regulations (CARs 301) Construction of new aerodromes should follow TP312 – Aerodromes Standards and Recommended Practices. These regulations apply to all aerodromes that are not military or certified (Aerodromes that are used for scheduled aircraft operations are required to be certified). The following link is for the applicable regulations:

http://www.tc.gc.ca/CivilAviation/Regserv/Affairs/cars/Part3/SubpartI.htm

## Section 8.6, Transport and Storage of Fuel and hazardous Materials

Transport Canada suggests that fueling activities associated with the airstrips and helicopter touchdown areas be included in the EIS. Transport Canada recommends that the proponent review the Aerodrome Safety Circular (ASC 2006-029) to inform aerodrome operators of the CSA publication (B836-00 Storage, Handling and Dispensing of Aviation Fuels at Aerodromes). This document provides standards and the best practices of the industry for fueling activities, and may be found at the following link:

http://www.tc.gc.ca/CivilAviation/Regserv/Affairs/cars/PART6/Standards/Standard621.htm



# Section 8.3, Site Preparation, Construction and Operation of Camp Sites

The EIS will be required to describe the water intake and supply lines for the construction and operation of the campsite. This may require the proponent to have the project proposal be reviewed by the Navigable Waters Protection Program (NWPP) to determine if any activities may pose a significant interference to navigation. The proponent may need to submit a formal application to NWPP for their review. The requirements of the NWPP can be accessed at the following Internet link: http://www.tc.gc.ca/marinesafety/oep/nwpp/menu.htm

Transport Canada would like to thank the Nunavut Impact Review Board for the opportunity to review the draft EIS guidelines and thank you in advance for your consideration of our comments. Should you have any questions regarding these comments or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at (204) 984-2615 or by email at <a href="mailto:Christopher.Aguirre@tc.gc.ca">Christopher.Aguirre@tc.gc.ca</a>.

Regards,

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