



**NOTICE OF INDICATION  
NIRB FILE NO.: 11EN001**

INAC File No.: N2011C0003

March 16, 2011

Jeff Mercer  
Manager Land Administration  
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
Iqaluit, NU

Via email: [Jeff.Mercer@inac-ainc.gc.ca](mailto:Jeff.Mercer@inac-ainc.gc.ca) and [landsmining@inac.gc.ca](mailto:landsmining@inac.gc.ca)

**Re: Notice of Indication for North Arrow Mineral Inc.'s "Hope Bay" Project Proposal,  
NIRB File No. 11EN001**

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Dear Jeff Mercer:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable John Duncan, Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) for North Arrow Mineral Inc.'s "Hope Bay" project in the Kitikmeot Region.

The NIRB has assessed this project proposal for ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts taking into consideration the comments from relevant authorities and communities. Based on this assessment NIRB's indication to the Minister is in accordance with **12.4.4 (a)** which states the following:

"The proposal may be processed without a review under Part 5 or 6; NIRB may recommend specific terms and conditions to be attached to any approval, reflecting the primary objectives set out in Section 12.2.5."

The enclosed NIRB Screening Decision for NIRB File No. 11EN001, signed on March 16, 2011 by Lucassie Arragutainaq at Sanikiluaq, NU has been issued to INAC and is subject to the terms and conditions contained herein being imposed upon the Proponent.

The NIRB is aware of INAC's authority to regulate the terms and conditions attached to the enclosed Screening Decision Report, and requests that INAC send a hardcopy of the authorization with NIRB's file number referenced on the document to the NIRB office to complete our files. In addition, the NIRB requests that copies of any subsequent inspection reports related to the subject project proposal be sent to the NIRB office.

Please feel free to contact me directly at 867 983 4603 or [info@nirb.ca](mailto:info@nirb.ca) if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T Bolt".

Tannis Bolt  
Environmental Administrator

cc: Gordon Clarke, North Arrow Minerals Inc. ([gord@northarrowminerals.com](mailto:gord@northarrowminerals.com))  
Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board  
Stanley Anablak, Kitikmeot Inuit Association ([sanablak@qiniq.com](mailto:sanablak@qiniq.com))

Enclosure: NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No.: 11EN001)