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## RE: MMG Limited – Request for Open Burning – High Lake Project

Environment Canada (EC) has reviewed the information submitted to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) regarding the above-mentioned project proposal and is submitting comments on mitigation measures as well as other matters of importance to the project proposal as requested by the NIRB. EC's specialist advice is provided pursuant to the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act 1999*, the pollution prevention provisions of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, and the *Species at Risk Act*.

MMG Limited is requesting to open burn untreated lumber on-site for the High Lake Project. The Proponent should follow the Government of Nunavut's Environmental Guideline for the Burning and Incineration of Solid Waste. Specifically, only paper products, untreated wood and natural fibers textiles are suitable for open burning.

For further clarification on any aspect of the submission, please contact me at (867) 975-4982 or <a href="mailto:john.price@ec.gc.ca">john.price@ec.gc.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

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