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Dear Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Morrison, Ms. McCaie, Mr. Clark, Mr. Curran:

RE: NPC File # 149605 [Hope Bay Regional Exploration Program - Type B Water Licence (2BE-HOP1222) Renewal]

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

- 1. Renewal of TMAC Resources existing Type B Water Licence (2BE-HOP1222) to ensure that the regional exploration program is maintained along with existing mining operations authorized under the applicable Project Certificates and Type A Water Licences.
- 2. The renewal application seeks the maximum allowable water use of 299 m3 per day.
- 3. Related NPC File Nos: 148454; 148434 Related NIRB File No. 12MN001.
- 4. Location: Kitikmeot Region.

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 completed its review of the above noted project proposal. NPC has determined that this project proposal is outside the area of an applicable regional land use plan. The activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by NPC, with conformity determination issued on January 26,

2017 and February 9, 2017 respectively which still applies. In addition, the activities were previously reviewed by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB File No.: 12MN001).

The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that it does not change the general scope of the original or previously amended 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, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149605&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) 983-4625.

Sincerely,

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Nunavut Planning Commission