

NOTICE OF INDICATION NIRB FILE NO.: 13EN013

AANDC File No.: N2013C0009 KIA File Nos.: KTL112B009, KTL112B010

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Via email: Jeff.Mercer@aandc.gc.ca, landsmining@aandc.gc.ca and Geoff@qiniq.com

Re: Notice of Indication for HTX Mineral Corporation's "Itchen Lake Property and Contwoyto Lake Property" Project Proposal, Kitikmeot Region, NIRB File No.: 13EN013

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) Screening Decision Report to The Honourable Bernard Valcourt, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development, and Charlie Evalik, President of the Kitikmeot Inuit Association for HTX Mineral Corporation's "Itchen Lake Property and Contwoyto Lake Property" 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. 13EN013, signed on August 23, 2013 by Elizabeth Copland at Arviat, Nunavut has been issued to Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) and the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA), and is subject to the terms and conditions contained herein being imposed upon the Proponent.

The NIRB is aware of AANDC and the KIA's authority to regulate the terms and conditions attached to the enclosed Screening Decision Report, and requests that AANDC and the KIA 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 contact Natasha Lear, NIRB Environmental Administrator at (867) 983-4612 or info@nirb.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

natasha Lear

Environmental Administrator Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Andrew Turner, HTX Minerals Corporation

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Enclosure: NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No.: 13EN013)