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Dear Ms. Lear, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. McCaie, Ms. Osmond, Mr. Bursey, Ms. Gunson:

**RE: NPC File # 148971 [Kahuna Gold Project]**

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

1. **Continuation of Advanced Exploration Activities**
2. **Modifications to the original/amended project proposal: Agreement for previous authorizations to be split between two companies; increase in drilling and size of fuel cache. No change to type of licenses or authorizations required**
3. **Associated NPC File No: 148166, 148367 and 148649**
4. Location: Kivalliq Region; [between Rankin Inlet and Chesterfield Inlet]

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. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal (conformity determination issued 7Jan2016 for 14816; 9Nov2016 for 148367; and 20Nov2017 for 148649), which still apply. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board, including (NIRB FILE NO.: 15EN028). It

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conforms to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan (KRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, G, and H of the KRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that an agreement to split previous authorizations between two companies, and the additional fuel cache and drilling 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:

<http://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148971&sessionid=>

The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NUPPAA) to implement any of the applicable requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination 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. Regulatory authorities may consult with the NPC to obtain recommendations on their duties to implement the existing land use plans prior to issuing licenses, permits and other authorizations under subsection 69(6) of the NUPPAA.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 857-2242.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Scholz', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Peter Scholz  
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