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Dear Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Kapolak, Ms. McCaie, Ms. Osmond, and Ms. Forseille:

#### RE: NPC File # 149903 [Kiggavik Project]

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

- 1. Orano Canada Inc. (Orano) is seeking to renew water licence 2BE-KIG 1823. Planned activities for the next five (5) years are similar compared to those conducted from 2018 to 2022. In the near term, the Kiggavik Project is in a care and maintenance phase and no active field work is planned. Other activities include:
  - Potential activities remain the same as approved in 2BE-KIG1823 and include prospecting, geological mapping, ground geophysical surveys, environmental baseline studies and diamond drilling, both exploration and geotechnical.
  - During the care and maintenance phase the site is inspected every five years, at a minimum, to ensure the camp and storage areas remain in good condition.
- 2. Associated NPC File No.: 148661; Related NIRB File No. 06AN085
- 3. Location: Kivalliq Region [near Baker Lake]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) can be accessed online using the link below.

The NPC has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by NPC, and conformity determination was issued on December 15, 2006, and December 14, 2017 which still applies. In addition, the activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB File No.: 06AN085). It 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.

This project proposal is exempt from the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NUPPAA) under section 235 of that Act. The above-noted project proposal does not require screening 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=149903&sessionid=

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Agreement to implement any of the applicable conformity requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

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) 447-4563.

Sincerely,

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