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Sent via email: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

Re: Application exempt from Screening pursuant to NLCA Schedule 12-1: AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s "Kiggavik-Sissons Exploration" project proposal

Dear Phyllis Beaulieu:

On November 19, 2012 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received an application from the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for a renewal to AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s (AREVA) Type B Water Licence (2BE-KIG0812) for the "Kiggavik-Sissons Exploration" project. The NIRB has determined that the renewal to the Type B Water Licence is exempt from screening pursuant to item 5 of Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), *Types of Project Proposals Exempt from Screening*:

NLCA Schedule 12-1 (5):

"Water uses that do not require a public hearing under Section 13.7.3."

As this project proposal is exempt from the requirement for screening by the NIRB, authorizations associated with this proposal may be processed by your office. This application is associated with a project proposal which has been previously screened by the NIRB (NIRB File No. 06AN085), and the NIRB's Screening Decision Report may contain recommendations which are relevant to your organization, and to the issuance of any further authorizations associated with the project. A copy of the original April 3, 2007 Screening Decision Report along with additional terms and conditions issued on August 30, 2007 and January 9, 2009 for the "Kiggavik-Sissons Exploration" project have been enclosed for your review and can be accessed online from the NIRB's public registry using the following link:

<http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/2007/06AN085-AREVA%20Resources%20Inc/03-DECISION/>.

Recognizing that AREVA's "Kiggavik" project proposal is currently undergoing review by the Board (NIRB File No. 09MN003), the NIRB also confirms that this proposed activity can proceed pursuant to NLCA Section 12.10.2(a):

"Notwithstanding Section 12.10.1, where a project proposal has been referred for review pursuant to Part 5 or 6, approvals or licences for exploration or development activities related to that project may be issued if:

(a) the activity falls within Schedule 12-1

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the undersigned directly at sgranchinho@nirb.ca or (867) 793-4633.

Sincerely,



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Enclosed: NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 06AN085 dated *January 9, 2009*; includes original NIRB Screening Decision Report dated *April 3, 2007* and additional Terms and Conditions issued *August 30, 2007*