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Via Email: <u>kim.jackson@areva.ca</u>

Re: <u>Acknowledgement of Receipt of Annual Report for AREVA Resources Canada</u> Inc.'s 'Kiggavik-Sissons' Project

Dear Kim Jackson:

Thank you for submitting AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s 2011 Annual Report for the 'Kiggavik-Sissons' project to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) as recommended in the April 3, 2007 Screening Decision Report.

Term and Condition 5 of the Screening Decision Report recommended the following:

- 5. The Proponent shall submit an annual report with copies provided to the NIRB, INAC, the KIA, and GN-DOE by January 31 each year that the project is in operation commencing January 31, 2008. The report must contain, but not be limited to, the following information:
 - a. A summary of activities undertaken for the year and a work plan for the following year;
 - b. The results of environmental studies undertaken and plans for future studies;
 - c. A discussion of the implementation of the Operational Plans, and analysis regarding the effectiveness of the Operational Plans to mitigate adverse environmental impacts;
 - d. Specific to the Wildlife Mitigation and Monitoring Plan: the results from the Caribou Monitoring Program, wildlife encounters and actions/mitigation taken, an analysis of the effectiveness of mitigation measures for wildlife and any anticipated follow-up monitoring program(s);
 - e. A discussion regarding the effects to human health from uranium exploration activities:
 - f. A summary of local hires and initiatives;
 - g. A summary of community consultations;

- h. A summary of site-visits by Land Use Inspectors with results and follow-up actions, including those approvals given by Land Use Inspectors regarding Caribou Protection Measures;
- i. Site photos;
- j. Progressive reclamation work undertaken;
- k. Efforts made to achieve compliance with the *Canadian Wide Standards for Dioxins* and Furans, and the *Canadian Wide Standards for Mercury*; and
- A summary of how the Proponent has complied with NIRB conditions contained within this Screening Decision, and the conditions associated with all authorizations for the project proposal.

Upon review of your submission we have concluded that the Annual Report contains the above specified information and there are no deficiencies to note.

Thank you for providing the information requested by the Board. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (867) 793-4633 or at sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

Sophia Granchinho Technical Advisor

Nunavut Impact Review Board

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