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Dear Mr. Kharatyan,

**Re: Kiggavik Exploration Licence 2BE-KIG1823-Response to Condition**

**Orano Canada Inc.**

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In response to Part B Item 2 of Orano Canada Inc. (Orano) Exploration department's Kiggavik project Licence 2BE-KIG1823, Orano Exploration has submitted annually, with the Annual Report, the Kiggavik Project Abandonment and Restoration plan. Both INAC and NWB have accepted the most recent version of the Abandonment and Restoration plan, with no comments. The Abandonment and Restoration Plan, in Orano's view, is sufficient for a project in the exploration stage.

The recent addition to part B item 2 of the licence to reference the Mine Site Reclamation Policy for Nunavut, 2002 does not apply to the licenced Kiggavik project. The Mine Site Reclamation Policy states "*The Policy applies only to developed mines and to those mining-related activities that take place on mine sites. It does not apply to activities undertaken during the prospecting, exploration or advanced exploration stages of the development of a mineral property*" and as such the Kiggavik Exploration project should not be held to that standard.

Orano's Kiggavik Exploration site has been placed in Care and Maintenance and was last inspected on July 19, 2018. During the inspection the camp infrastructure was found to be in good condition. Kiggavik Project received a favourable water licence inspection on July 10, 2017, performed by INAC. The inspection found no non-compliances to the issued licence and confirmed the camp was in a care and maintenance phase and the bulk fuel tanks were empty.

Orano requests that the licence be revised to remove the condition Part B Item 2 and the words "and Assessment of Current Restoration Liability" from condition Part B Item 3(g). As the project is not a developed mine site, there is no regulatory reason to include the conditions.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Stephanie Forseille, Coordinator, SHEQ Exploration at [stephanie.forseille@orano.group](mailto:stephanie.forseille@orano.group) or 306-343-4693 or me at [john.robbins@orano.group](mailto:john.robbins@orano.group) or 306-343-4513.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Robbins", with a stylized flourish at the end.

John Robbins  
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