

File No. 06EN054 Old NIRB No. 05EN060

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TO: Distribution List

Re: Comment Request on True North Gems Inc Renewal request with Government of Nunavut

- Community Government Services / Hamlet of Kimmirut:

801-LUP-B05-001

## Dear Distribution List:

On May 25, 2006, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received an application from Government of Nunavut – Community Government Services (GN-CGS)/ Hamlet of Kimmirut for True North Gems Inc to renew project activities for the Beluga Sapphire project proposal.

The original project proposal application for the Beluga Sapphire project proposal was acknowledged by NIRB in May, 2005 from GN-CGS and screened in accordance with Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). On July 21, 2005 NIRB issued a 12.4.4(a) screening decision to GN-CGS allowing the proposed exploration activities to proceed subject to specific terms and conditions for a permit life of one year.

NIRB recognizes this is a request for a one-year renewal, and the original project proposal has not changed. As a point of clarification, earlier in the year True North had indicated it was interested in constructing a road between the exploration site and the town-site. Currently, True North is **not** contemplating this project activity under this renewal request. Additionally, True North has completed a NIRB Project-Specific Information Request for Assay Sampling, which provides additional information on the various project activities, all of which were conducted under the 2005 project description.

The GN-CGS application, supplementary information and the original NIRB screening file, 05EN060 is available from NIRB's ftp site at the following link: http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nirb/NIRB\_ACTIVE\_SCREENINGS/00-AMENDMENTS RENEWALS EXTENSIONS/.

Since the request for the renewal does not *significantly* change the general scope of the original project activities, NIRB is *proposing* to re-issue the same Terms and Conditions as those in the July 21, 2005, along with any new Terms and Conditions NIRB feels are appropriate. NIRB is also distributing the GN-CGS renewal application in order to solicit comments or concerns about the project proposal.

The Board would like to hear any comments you may have by June 7, 2006. Comments may be submitted via email to NIRB's Manager of Administration gjoudrey@nirb.nunavut.ca, or via fax to 867-983-2594.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at cinglis@nirb.nunavut.ca or at 867-983-4607.

Sincerely,

(Original Signed by)

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