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Honourable Chuck Strahl Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada c/o Jeff Holwell Land Administrator Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Iqaluit, NU

Via email: holwellj@inac-ainc.gc.ca

Re: <u>Application Exempt from Screening: Triex Minerals Corporation's Renewal/Amendment</u> Request for its Hornby Bay JV Project

Dear Jeff Holwell:

On Feb 26, 2008 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received a renewal/amendment application from Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for Triex Minerals Corporation's Hornby Bay JV Project. Be advised that this project proposal is exempt from screening as per Schedule 12-1 (5) of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA) which states:

Schedule 12-1 (5):

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

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact NIRB's Manager of Environmental Administration, Leslie Payette at lpayette@nirb.ca or 867-983-4605.

Yours truly,

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