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### **Re: 2BE-KIR / Triex Minerals Corporation / Kirwan Lake Project / Uranium Exploration Plan Review**

On behalf of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) I have reviewed the above-mentioned application. The following specialist advice has been provided pursuant to INAC's mandated responsibilities for the enforcement of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* (NW&NSRT), *Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act* (AWPPA), and the *Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act* (DIAND Act).

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada recommends that the following recommendations be considered when reviewing the Triex Minerals Corporation Kirwan Lake Project's Uranium Exploration Plan as required by Part J, Item 1 of the project's licence.

- The Plan should clearly indicate that it is applicable to the Kirwan Lake Project and that it is required by its licence. Furthermore, INAC recommends that this Plan include a detailed description of the Kirwan Lake Project so that it can serve as a stand-alone document.
- The Plan should provide a topographical map of the project area with the exploration camp, fuel caches, and core storage areas appropriately referenced with GPS coordinates.
- A detailed schematic diagram of all core storage areas should be provided. Such diagrams would include base contour lines, proximity to water sources (including streams), and proximity to camp facilities.
- 24-hour contact information for the Kirwan Lake Project Manager should be included in the Plan. This would provide a point of contact for the INAC Water Resources Inspector.

- A revised Plan comprising of a table of contents and clearly marked sections pertaining to environmental and water use issues related to uranium exploration drilling, extraction, storage, and remediation would be greatly appreciated. A Uranium Exploration Program should be a well-organized document which presents important exploration program practices that can be referenced without difficulty.

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada requests notification of any changes in the proposed project, as further review may be necessary. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or comments with regards to the foregoing.

Sincerely,

***Original signed***

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