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Dear Ms. Ohokannoak, Mr. Kharatyan, Ms. McCaie, Mr. Cote, Ms. LeBlanc, Ms. Osmond, Mr. McFadden:

## RE: NPC File # 148487 [Peter Lake]

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

- 1. Gold Exploration camp for 60 people, including fuel caches
- 2. Staking and prospecting
- 3. Low-level flights for aerial surveys
- 4. Winter access road/skid trail
- 5. Location: Kivalliq Region;

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal, including staking and prospecting, and the winter access trail (conformity determinations issued Feb. 14 2011 and Mar 27 2012). These conformity determinations still apply. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NO.: 11EN016 and 12YN017).

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification to the project because of the development of a camp and the addition of airborne surveys. It conforms to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan (KRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, G, and H of the KRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal requires screening by the NIRB under section 12.4.3 of the Nunavut Agreement as amended because it is for a component or activity that was not part of the original or previously amended proposal and its inclusion is a significant modification of the project. By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the NIRB for screening. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

http://npc.strata360.com/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148487&sessionid=

The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NUPPAA) to implement any of the applicable requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required. Regulatory authorities may consult with the NPC to obtain recommendations on their duties to implement the existing land use plans prior to issuing licenses, permits and other authorizations under subsection 69(6) of the NUPPAA.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 857-2242.

Sincerely,

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**Nunavut Planning Commission**