



**NOTICE OF INDICATION  
NIRB FILE NO.: 11EN047**

AANDC File No.: N2011C0026  
Previous NWB File No.: 2AM-LUP0914  
New NWB File No.: 2BE-LEP----

December 2, 2011

Jeff Mercer  
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Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada  
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**Re: Notice of Indication for Elgin Mining Incorporated's "Lupin Exploration" Project Proposal, NIRB File No. 11EN047**

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Dear Jeff Mercer:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) Screening Decision Report to The Honourable John Duncan, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development (AANDC) for Elgin Mining Incorporated's "Lupin Exploration" in the Kitikmeot Region.

The NIRB has assessed this project proposal for ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts taking into consideration the comments from relevant authorities and communities. Based on this assessment NIRB's indication to the Minister is in accordance with **12.4.4 (a)** which states the following:

"The proposal may be processed without a review under Part 5 or 6; NIRB may recommend specific terms and conditions to be attached to any approval, reflecting the primary objectives set out in Section 12.2.5."

The enclosed NIRB Screening Decision for NIRB File No. 11EN047 signed on December 2, 2011 by Lucassie Arragutainaq at Sanikiluaq, NU has been issued to AANDC and is subject to the terms and conditions contained herein being imposed upon the Proponent.

The NIRB is aware of AANDC's authority to regulate the terms and conditions attached to the enclosed Screening Decision Report, and requests that AANDC send a hardcopy of the authorization with NIRB's file number referenced on the document to the NIRB office to

complete our files. In addition, the NIRB requests that copies of any subsequent inspection reports related to the subject project proposal be sent to the NIRB office.

Please contact Derek Ehaloak, NIRB Environmental Administrator at 867-983-4610 or [info@nirb.ca](mailto:info@nirb.ca) if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Derek Ehaloak', written in a cursive style.

Derek Ehaloak  
Environmental Administrator

cc: Patrick Downey, Elgin Mining Inc.  
Karyn Lewis, Elgin Mining Inc.  
Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board  
Tracey McCaie, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada

Enclosure: NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No.: 11EN047)