

NIRB File No.: 07RN072 INAC File No.: N2007X0043 KIA File No. KTL307F021

February 16, 2010

Honourable Chuck Strahl Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada c/o Spencer Dewar, Manager Land Administration Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Iqaluit, NU

Via email: Spencer.Dewar@inac-ainc.gc.ca

Re: <u>Application Exempt from Screening Pursuant to Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA: 5050</u> <u>Nunavut Ltd.'s "Kugluktuk – McGregor Lake Winter Trail" project</u>

Dear Spencer Dewar:

On February 3, 2010 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received an application from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) for 5050 Nunavut Ltd.'s (5050) "Kugluktuk – McGregor Lake Winter Trail" project proposal. The application is for a renewal to Land Use Permit No. N2008X0043.

Please be advised that the original project proposal (NIRB File No.: 07RN072) was received by the NIRB from INAC on December 13, 2007 and screened in accordance with Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). On January 31, 2008 the NIRB issued a 12.4.4(a) screening decision to the Minister of INAC and to the President of the Kitikmeot Inuit Association indicating the proposed project could proceed subject to the NIRB's recommended project-specific terms and conditions.

The INAC application, the original NIRB screening file and Screening Decision, 07RN072 are available from the NIRB's ftp site at the following link: ftp://ftp.nirb.ca/SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/ARCHIVE/2008_SCREENING/ NGS/07RN072-5050%20Nunavut%20Ltd/1-SCREENING/

Please note that Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA states:

"Any application for a component or activity of a project proposal that has been permitted to proceed in accordance with these provisions shall be exempt from the requirement for screening by NIRB unless:

- (a) such component or activity was not part of the original project proposal; or
- (b) its inclusion would significantly modify the project."

After completing a review of the information provided, the NIRB is of the understanding that the application received from INAC does not change the general scope of the original project activities, and the exceptions noted in NLCA 12.4.3(a) and (b) do not apply. Therefore, this application is exempt from screening as per Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA and the activities therein remain subject to the terms and conditions recommended in the original January 31, 2008 Screening Decision Report (enclosed).

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact the NIRB's Technical Advisor, Amanda Hanson, at 867-983-4615 or via email at ahanson@nirb.ca.

Best regards,

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Enclosure: NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 07RN072 (January 31, 2008)