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NPC File No.: 149930

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Dear Francis Emingak, Richard Dwyer, Tracey McCaie, Alexander Stubbing, Carson Gillis, Geoff Clark, and Grant Murre:

RE: NPC File No: 149930 [The Muskox Nickel Property]

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

1. **Mineral exploration:** Continuation of SPC proposes annual exploration programs which include general exploration activities such as geological mapping, prospecting, geochemical sampling (rock, soil and till), geophysical surveys (airborne and ground) as well as diamond drilling of approximately 5,000 m. Annual

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programs are anticipated to commence approximately April 1 and run until September 30. The exploration activities will also be supported by the establishment of a seasonal 20-person exploration camp with fuel cache to be constructed in one of 2 possible locations, for an approximate period of 90 days.

2. **Summary of modification:** Prospecting, geochemical sampling (rock, soil and till), geophysical surveys (airborne and ground), diamond drilling and construction of campsites.
3. **Associated NPC FILE No:** 149739
4. **Location:** Kitikmeot Region [approx. 100 km south of Kugluktuk, and extending down to Northwest Territories border]

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. NPC has determined that this project proposal is outside the area of an applicable regional land use plan. The activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by NPC on May 9, 2022. This conformity determination still applies.

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification to the project because include diamond drillings and installation of campsites of 1800 persons-days.

The project proposal requires screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because it does not belong to a class of exempt works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Agreement. By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the NIRB for screening. Project materials are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149930&sessionid=>

This decision 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.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-3444.

Sincerely,



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