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2BE-NAG  
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**Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada's Review of the  
Licence Application for the Nagvaak Project , Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-  
NAG**

Dear Richard,

Thank you for the June 30, 2022 invitation to review the referenced licence application, submitted by Lockett Consultation Services Inc., for Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-NAG.

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) examined the application pursuant to its mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Act*. Please find CIRNAC comments and recommendations in the attached Technical Memorandum.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at (867) 975-4550 or  
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Sincerely,

*Andrew Keim*

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## **Technical Review Memorandum**

**Date:** August 12, 2022

**To:** Richard Dwyer, Nunavut Water Board

**From:** Andrew Keim, A/Regional Manager -Waters , CIRNAC

**Subject:** **Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada's Review of the Licence Application for the Nagvaak Project , Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-NAG**

**Region:** ☐ Kitikmeot ☒ Kivalliq ☐ Qikiqtani

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### **A. BACKGROUND**

The Nagvaak Project is located on Inuit Owned Land (RE-27) in the Kivalliq Region of Nunavut approximately 170 km NE from Naujaat, and consists of both mineral claims and leases on Inuit-Owned Lands (surface rights), and Inuit- Owned Lands (subsurface).

In 2021, the StrategX conducted activities based out of North Arrow's fully permitted Mel camp under an agreement between the companies. Exploration included helicopter supported sampling and mapping.

In 2022, StrategX plans to base helicopter supported exploration activities out of North Arrow's Mel Camp.. Proposed exploration activities, dependant on the timing of receipt of permits and licenses is helicopter supported and generally consists of prospecting, till sampling, geophysical surveys, and mapping. Drilling of proposed targets by one drill for a 5-6-week period beginning in early September is also planned.

A local wildlife monitor will be contracted through the HTO to provide wildlife timing advice and mitigation direction to the company. It is noted in the application that Consultation with the community of Naujaat is planned for May 2022.

CIRNAC provides the following comments and recommendations pertaining to the application package. A summary of the subjects of recommendations can be found in Table 1. Documents reviewed as part of this submission can be found in Table 2 of Section B. Detailed technical review comments can be found in Section C.



**Table 1: Summary of Recommendations**

| Recommendation Number | Subject                       |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| R-01                  | Community consultation record |
| R-02                  | Water usage at Camp Location  |
| R-03                  | Authorization letter          |

## **B. DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AND REFERENCED**

The following table (Table 2) provides a list of the documents reviewed under the submission and reference during the review.

**Table 2: Documents Reviewed and Referenced**

| Document Title   | Author, File No., Rev., Date          |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| NPC Conformity review letter   | Soloman Amuno, PhD NPC May 20,2022    |
| General Water License Application  | Denise Lockett (LCS Inc), May 24,2022 |
| StraegX Nagvaak plain language Summary English   | StrategX Eléments Corp , Undated      |
| STG Waste Management Plan – Nagvaak  | StrategX Eléments Corp , May 2022     |
| STGX Spill Contingency Plan -Nagvaak   | StrategX Eléments Corp , May 2022     |
| STGX A&R Plan -Nagvaak   | StrategX Eléments Corp , May 2022     |
| Proposed 2022 Work Plan: Nagvaak Project on RE 27  | StrategX Eléments Corp , Undated      |
| Water Licence Application Form Information Requirements/ Checklist – Mineral Exploration Remote Camp | StrategX Eléments Corp , Undated      |
| Independent Audit 2020/21 – Consolidated Financial Statements  | Rowe MacKay LLP- April 4, 2022        |
| List of Directors  | StrategX Eléments Corp , Undated      |

## **C. RESULTS OF REVIEW**

### **1. Community Consultation Record**

#### **Comment:**

It was noted throughout the application and project summary that a consultation package based on a planned community consultation with Naujaat scheduled for May of 2022 was to be provided. It could not be located.

#### **Recommendation:**

(R-01) CIRNAC recommends that a record of consultation be provided.



## **2. Water usage at Camp location**

### **Comment:**

It is unclear in the application whether if the Camp will be occupied by other people or if the camp is being solely operated by representatives from StrategX Elements Corp. The issue being water usage and waste water usage in camp.

### **Recommendation:**

(R-02) CIRNAC recommends that StrategX Elements Corp. provide a brief summary of the camp occupation and number of persons involved with the project and number of people in the camp.

## **3. Authorization Not Provided**

### **Comment:**

In the NWB application document provided, page one has a highlight that contains the words (Attach authorization letter) which has not been found in the documents provided for review.

### **Recommendation:**

(R-03) CIRNAC recommends that the authorization letter for Lockett Consultation services be provide.