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Subject: NIRB: 09EN011 Additional Comments Requested Regarding Indicator Minerals' Amendment

to INAC Land Use Permit

Dear Parties,

On June 19, 2009 the Nunavut Impact Review Board received additional information regarding Indicator Minerals' request to amend their Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) Land Use Permit (N2009C0005) to include remote camp operations (original amendment received May 29, 2009). The additional applications (see attached) include the establishment of an <u>esker airstrip</u> close to the proposed camp location. This esker airstrip was not included in the original project proposal (received March 4, 2009) nor the amendment request (received May 29, 2009). The activities associated with the esker airstrip are as follows:

- 1) Airstrip will be located next to the camp; therefore no roads will be established between proposed camp and airstrip and no buildings will be located on the airstrip.
- 2) 10 takeoffs/landings will be required to bring in camp equipment, then another 10-20 to bring in drill equipment (number of flights are dependent on aircraft used); subsequent flights will be for personnel and supplies.
- 3) Potential contract from Baker Lake; single engine aircraft or from Rankin Inlet; twin engine aircraft.
- 4) In total, approximately 50 to 60 takeoffs/landings will occur during the season.
- 5) Potential that aircraft will be used at end of season to help remove drill equipment.

The NIRB recognizes that the proposed amendment including the esker airstrip may result in a change to the scope of the original project activities. Therefore, the NIRB is proposing to re-issue the same terms and conditions as those in the April 28, 2009 Screening Decision (attached), along with new proposed project-specific terms and conditions. The NIRB would like Parties to provide comments regarding the addition of the esker airstrip to the amendment proposal directly to the NIRB by **June 30, 2009.**

Please send your comments to the attention of NIRB's Manager of Environmental Administration, Leslie Payette, at info@nirb.ca or via fax at (867) 983-2594.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact the Technical Advisor, Sophia Granchinho at sgranchinho@nirb.ca or (867) 983-4607.

Regards,

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