

NIRB File No.: 13EN027 AANDC File No: N2013C0012

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Sent via email: perkins.exploration@sasktel.net

Re: Notice of Part 4 Screening for URU Metals Ltd.'s "Nueltin Lake Project" proposal

Dear Carl Perkins:

On June 11, 2013 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received a positive conformity determination (Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan) from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) for URU Minerals Ltd.'s "Nueltin Lake Project" proposal. Further, the NIRB received a request from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) to screen the above mentioned project proposal on June 11, 2013. The NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number 13EN027 – please reference this file number in all future related correspondence.

Following receipt of the initial application materials, the NIRB undertook a preliminary completeness check and found that the proposal as submitted did not contain sufficient information for the NIRB to permit proper screening. On June 20, 2013 the NIRB requested that additional information from the Proponent be provided to the Board by July 3, 2013. The NIRB received the information as requested on July 4, 2013.

The proposed uranium exploration project is located in the Kivalliq region approximately 345 kilometres southwest of Arviat. The program is proposed to take place from July to September 2013, with a larger drill program to take place in 2014 dependent upon 2013 results. The objective is to conduct exploration activities to follow-up on previously identified mineral targets¹.

¹ NIRB File No.: EX64. All documents pertaining to this file can be found on the NIRB's public registry at the following link: http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/EXEMPT%20FROM%20SCREENING/2008/EX64-Cameco%20Corporation%20-%20Nueltin%20Lake/

The proposed project activities include:

- Uranium exploration to identify previous mineral targets:
 - o Geological mapping and prospecting;
 - o On land drilling using 1 diamond drill (7-10 holes);
 - Use of non-toxic drill additive;
- Use of helicopter and/or fixed wing aircraft (float plane) to transport personnel and equipment to and from camp to the drill sites on a daily basis;
- Share Prosperity Goldfields' Kiyuk Lake camp for the initial exploration program;
- Transportation, storage and use of fuel at the Kiyuk Lake camp site with small fuel caches located at drill sites;
 - o 19 x 205 litre capacity drums in camp storage;
 - o 5 x 20 litre jerry cans at drill site;
 - o 2 x 100 pound tanks at drill site;
- Transportation, storage and use of chemicals and hazardous materials;
- Use of water for drilling purposes (30 cubic metres per day);
- Production of wastes;
 - o Combustible waste to be incinerated at the Kiyuk Lake Camp;
 - o Non-combustible waste to be transported from drill sites to the Kiyuk Lake Camp and back hauled to a proper disposal site.

The application materials submitted for this project proposal include a general reference to the potential for a future 25 person camp. Please note that the development of a camp has not been included in the scope of the project activities to be assessed by the Board at this time and that any such activities will require that additional applications be forwarded to the NIRB for its consideration and subsequent assessment.

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be obtained from the NIRB's public registry at http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/ACTIVE%20SCREENINGS/13EN027-URU%20Metals%20Ltd-Nueltin%20Lake/ including:

- NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in English and in Inuktitut
- Non-technical Project Proposal Summary in English and in Inuktitut
- NIRB Project Specific Information Requirements (PSIR)—Part 2 Form
- NPC Conformity Determination
- NPC Questionnaire for the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan
- AANDC Application for Land Use Permit
- URU Metals Ltd. Hazardous Materials Spill Plan
- Cameco Exploration Radiation Safety Program Manual (dated 2003)
- Maps that identify;
 - o drilling areas in relation to the Kiyuk Lake Camp
 - o claim blocks
 - o phase 1 drilling areas

- Information on the camp usage at Kiyuk Lake including amount of fuel to be stored, number of personnel staying at the camp and an agreement with Prosperity Goldfields Corp. regarding use of Kiyuk Lake camp²
- Cameco Exploration Radiation Safety Manual (dated 2011)

Pursuant to Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), the NIRB shall proceed to screen this project proposal. The NIRB may request additional information at any time during the process. The NIRB will copy you on screening process related correspondence and upload related documents to the above ftp site for public access.

The NIRB is copying parties and municipalities potentially affected by URU Minerals Ltd. project proposal with this letter, and we invite interested parties to comment directly to the NIRB by **July 29, 2013**.

The NIRB would like parties to provide comments regarding:

- Whether the project proposal is likely to arouse significant public concern; and if so, why;
- Whether the project proposal is likely to cause significant adverse eco-systemic and socio-economic effects; and if so, why;
- Whether the project is of a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and mitigable with known technology, (please provide any recommended mitigation measures); and
- Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

Please send your comments to the NIRB at <u>info@nirb.ca</u> or via fax at (867) 983-2594.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (867) 983-4603 or via email at tbolt@nirb.ca, or Sophia Granchinho at (867) 793-4633 or via email at sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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² Note that the Kiyuk Lake camp has been previously screened by the Board (File No. 11EN019) and allowed to proceed pursuant to the NLCA 12.4.4(a) decision as provided to the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development on June 13, 2013 and available here: http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-

	Tracey McCaie, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada Nicholas Kavanagh, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
Enclosures (2):	Comment Forms (English and Inuktitut)