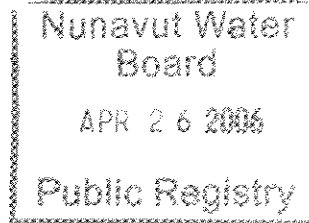


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The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) acknowledges receipt of additional information related to the above-cited Project Proposal on April 25, 2006. All documents received and pertaining to this Project Proposal can be obtained from NIRB's ftp site at [http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nirb/NIRB\\_ACTIVE\\_SCREENINGS/06EN030-Exploration-CamecoCorporation/](http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nirb/NIRB_ACTIVE_SCREENINGS/06EN030-Exploration-CamecoCorporation/) including:

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- *NIRB Part 2 Project Specific Information Requirements (PSIR) for Exploration*
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- *Maps*

By way of copy of this letter, and the enclosed comment form, to the distribution list including municipalities and groups most affected by Cameco's Project Proposal, we invite interested persons to comment directly to the NIRB by **May 18, 2006**.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact NIRB's Technical Advisor, Karlette Tunaley at 867-983-4605 or [ktunaley@nirb.nunavut.ca](mailto:ktunaley@nirb.nunavut.ca)

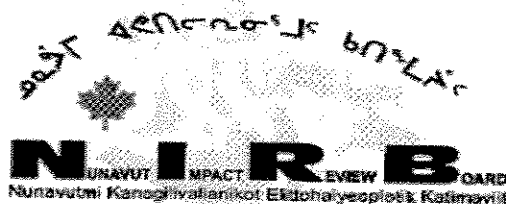
Sincerely,

*(original signed by:)*

Karlette Tunaley  
Technical Advisor

Cc     Honourable Jim Prentice, Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
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Attachments:  
         Comment Form



## PART 1 FORM PROJECT PROPOSAL INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

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### IMPORTANT

Please be advised that your application will not be processed until the following sections 1 - 6 are completed in full in English and Inuktitut (+ Inuinnaqtun, if in the Kitikmeot).

### SECTION 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

#### 1. a) Project Number

Please indicate if applicant has submitted any previous application(s) to NIRB related to this project proposal? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ☒   
 If yes, please indicate the previous NIRB project number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

1. b) Project Name Aberdeen – Turqavik Project

#### 2. Applicant's full name and mailing address:

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Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

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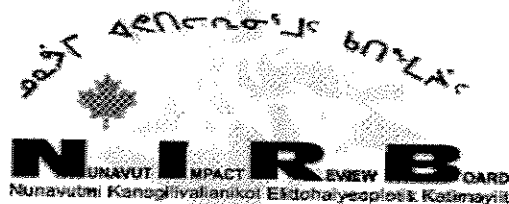
#### 3. Primary contact's full name and mailing address:

As above

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



4. **Secondary contact's full name and mailing address:**

Arnold Moen Nijssen

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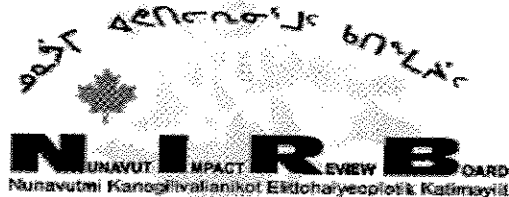
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## SECTION 2: AUTHORIZATION NEEDED

1. Indicate all authorizations associated with the project proposal:

- ☒ Regional Inuit Association (RIA)
- ☒ Nunavut Water Board (NWB)
- ☒ Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC)
- ☒ Department of Indian And Northern Development (DIAND)
- ☐ Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO)
- ☐ Community Government & Services (CG&S)
- ☐ Nunavut Research Institute (NRI)
- ☐ Hamlet
- ☐ Canadian Launch Safety (CLS)
- ☐ Environment Canada (EC)
- ☐ Government of Nunavut (GN)
- ☐ Department of National Defense (DND)
- ☐ Department of Culture, Language, Elders, and Youths (CLEY)
- ☐ Parks Canada (PC)
- ☐ Other (please specify):

2. List the active permits, licences, or other rights related to the project and their expiry date: None to date.



## SECTION 3: PROJECT PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION

### 1. Indicate the type of project proposal:

- ☒ Exploration (geophysical ground, geophysical air, drilling)
- ☐ Advanced Exploration/ Bulk Sampling
- ☐ Mine development
- ☐ Site remediation/ reclamation
- ☐ Research
- ☐ Dew Line Clean up / Site Investigation
- ☐ Port
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Indicate the activities related to the project proposal:

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drilling other than geoscientific                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Quarrying   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Offshore structure  | <input type="checkbox"/> All season road   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Airport/ landing strip  | <input type="checkbox"/> Winter road   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Camp   | <input type="checkbox"/> Access road   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel storage   | <input type="checkbox"/> Road modification   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solid waste disposal  | <input type="checkbox"/> Cabins  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous waste storage or disposal                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewage or grey water disposal   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Research  | <input type="checkbox"/> Blasting  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abandonment and Restoration                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Harvesting  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Burning  | <input type="checkbox"/> Burying   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction   | <input type="checkbox"/> Channeling  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cut and/or Fill   | <input type="checkbox"/> Removal of vegetation   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dam/ Impoundment (construction/ abandonment/ removal/ modification) | <input type="checkbox"/> Ditch construction  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Alteration   | <input type="checkbox"/> Excavation  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemical Storage  | <input type="checkbox"/> Ecological survey   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Explosives Storage  | <input type="checkbox"/> Geoscientific sampling by trenching   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geoscientific sampling by diamond drilling                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geoscientific sampling by borehole core                                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geoscientific sampling by soil sampling                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrological testing  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> River/ stream/ lake crossing or work/ bridge                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Site restoration (fertilization/ grubbing/ scarification/ spraying/ recontouring) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soil testing  | <input type="checkbox"/> Soil disposal/ Soil storage   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tunneling   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____   |

### 3. Personnel

Total No. of personnel  
on site = (A) \_\_\_\_\_

16

Total No. of person days  
= (A) x No. days on site \_\_\_\_\_

1000



#### 4. Timing

Period of operation:

Spring 2006

to

Summer 2006

Proposed term of permit:

Spring 2006

to

Spring 2008 (two year land use term)

Please outline the phases of the proposed project (construction/ operation/ decommissioning) including the timing And scheduling of each phase. Construction April –June 2006, operation June July 2006, March – August 2007, apply for extension of land use permit autumn 2007.

#### 5. Region (check all that apply):

☐

Baffin

☒

Kivalliq

☐

Kitikmeot

☐

Transboundary:

#### 6. Land Status (check all that apply):

☒

Crown

☐

Commissioners'

☒

Inuit Owned Surface lands

☐

Inuit Owned Sub-Surface Lands

#### 7. Co-ordinates:

Min Lat (degree/minute)

64° 7.5' N

Min Long (degree/minute)

97° 28' W

Max Lat (degree/minute)

65° 10' N

Max Long (degree/minute)

99° 45' W

NTS Map Sheet No: 66A, 66B, 66G & 66H

Please ensure that maps of the project are attached (1:50,000 if available, 1:250, 000 **Mandatory**) available from Natural Resources Canada

If the project proposal includes a **camp**, please provide the coordinates of the camp location

Min Lat (degree/minute)

64° 37' 40" N

Min Long (degree/minute)

97° 59' 32" W

Max Lat (degree/minute)

64° 37' 46" N

Max Long (degree/minute)

97° 59' 47" W

If different from above for the camp:

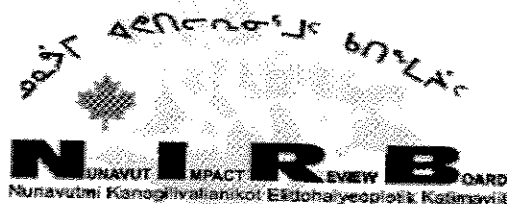
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#### 8. Non-Technical Project Proposal Summary

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- The project activities, their necessity and duration;
- Method of transportation;
- Any structures that will be erected (permanent/ temporary);
- Alternatives considered; and
- Long-term developments, the projected outcome of the development for the area and its timeline.



## SECTION 4: MATERIAL USE

### 1. List equipment (including drills, pumps, aircrafts, etc.):

Equipment type and number	Size – dimensions	Proposed use
Helicopter	Bell LongRanger or equivalent	Transport exploration crews
ATV	300 to 500cc	Utility vehicle around camp
Camp generator (gen-set)	30 to 35 KVa	Generate camp electricity
Water Transfer pump	Portable pump at camp	Pump water from lake to storage

### 2. Detail fuel and hazardous material use:

Fuels	Number of Containers	Capacity of containers (gal & litre)
• Diesel	30	206 Litre drums
• Gasoline	2	206 Litre drums
• Aviation fuel	50	206 Litre drums
• Propane	20	100 lb cylinders
• Other		
Hazardous material (please specify)		
•		
•		
•		

## SECTION 5: WASTE DISPOSAL AND TREATMENT FACILITIES

### 1. List the types of waste:

Type of waste	Projected amount generated	Method of Disposal	Additional treatment procedures
Sewage	0.1 m <sup>3</sup> per week	Incineration	Transport to Baker Lake for disposal
Greywater	30 m <sup>3</sup> per week	Sumps	Treatment with lime
Garbage	100 kg per week	Incineration	Transport to Baker Lake for disposal
Overburden (organic soil, waste material, tailings)			
Hazardous waste			
Other:			

Waste disposal will be controlled in camp by sumps and incineration. All waste generated by incineration will be transported to Baker Lake for proper disposal.





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APPLICATION FOR LAND USE PERMIT

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Application fee	Land use fee	General receipt no.	Date	Class	Permit no.

To be completed by all applicants

☒ New application

☐ Amendment

1. Applicant's name and mailing address (Full name, no initials) Garth Drever, Senior Geologist Cameco Corporation, Exploration Department 2121 - 11 <sup>th</sup> St West Saskatoon, Sk. S7M 1J3			Fax no. (306) 956-6390
			Telephone no. (306) 956-6363
2. Head office address Same as above			Fax no. (306) 956-6390
			Telephone no. (306) 956-6200
Field supervisor Arnold Moen-Nijssen	Satellite telephone (403) 987-8954	E-Mail address Arnold_MoenNijssen@Cameco.com	Telephone no. (306) 956-6397

3. Other personnel (subcontractor, contractors, company staff, etc.)

2 aircrew, 4 geologists, 1 camp manager, 1 cook, and 4 construction contractors.

**TOTAL :** Camp is planned for occupancy of 20 persons (max).

4. Qualifications	No(s) exploration permit mineral claims (if applicable)
Refer to Section 21 of the <i>Territorial Land Use Regulations</i> a(i) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a(ii) <input type="checkbox"/> a(iii) <input type="checkbox"/> b <input type="checkbox"/> c <input type="checkbox"/>	Mineral Claims (currently registered to Aurora Geoscience) F88311 to F88363, F89201 to F89242, F89245, F89247, F89249 to F89272, F89274 to F89278 and F92101 to F92112 Exploration Permits (currently registered to DeBeers) 4632, 4635, 4636, 4639, 4651, 4653, 4655 to 4658, 4660 to 4662 and 5153

5. a) Summary of operation (Describe purpose, nature and location of all activities.)

Refer to Section 22(2)(b) of the *Territorial Land Use Regulations* (Use last page of form if necessary.)

Geological prospecting, mapping and sampling. Daily helicopter deployment of field workers from camp. Camp operation in support of field operations; construction of camp, generation of electricity, pumping of water from lake for kitchen and washing use, staging and refueling of helicopter, and landing of fixed wing aircraft (camp supplies).

b) Please indicate if a camp is to be set up (Use last page to provide details.)

Yes

6. Summary of potential environmental and resource impacts  
(Describe the effects of the proposed program on land, water, flora and fauna and related socio-economic areas.)  
(Use separate pages if necessary.)

Use of water (max ca. 3,000 liters/day) from Qamanaarjuk Lake for drinking, cooking, and washing. Drainage of grey water will be passed through sumps on durable ground. Noise of occupation and helicopter and other equipment may affect wildlife. Minimal disturbance of vegetation on a selected and dedicated ATV route between camp and airstrip.



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7. Proposed restoration plans (Please use last page if required.)

Camp and fuel storage areas are planned to be located on durable ground (sand and gravel with minimal vegetation). Removal of all structures and other material, and filling of drainage sumps.

8. Other rights, licences or permits related to this permit application (mineral claims, Yukon timber permits, water licences, etc.)

A water license is being applied for from the Nunavut Water Board.

Roads

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Is this to be a pioneered road?  
Provide details on back page

☐

Has the route been laid out or ground truthed?

9. Proposed disposal methods

a) Garbage: Incineration and removal of ash to  
municipal disposal grounds

b) Sewage (Sanitary & Grey Water): Solid human waste: incineration  
Liquid human waste and grey water: sump disposal

c) Brush & trees: N/A

d) Overburden (Organic soils, waste material, etc.): N/A

10. Equipment (Includes drills, pumps, etc.) (Please use last page if necessary.)

Type and no.	Size	Proposed use
Helicopter	Light (Bell 206 or 206L or Eurocopter A-Star)	Mobilize field crews, re-supply camp
ATV & Trailer, one each	300 – 500 cc and 1,000 lbs capacity	Transport material between camp and airstrip
Electric genset, diesel	30 – 35 KVA and smaller back up	Generate camp electricity
Water/transfer pump, gasoline	2" suction and discharge	Pump water from lake to camp's tank(s)
11. Fuels	Number of containers	Capacity of containers
Diesel P50	30	206-liter drum
Gasoline Regular unleaded	2	206-liter drum
Aviation Fuel JET A	50	206-liter drum
Propane	20	100 lbs cylinder
Other		

12. Containment fuel spill contingency plans (Please attach separate contingency plan if necessary.)

A hazardous materials spill contingency plan is attached.

13. Methods of fuel transfer (To other tanks, vehicles, etc.)

Manual and electric fuel transfer pumps.



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14. Period of operation (Includes time to cover all phases of project work applied for, including restoration.) Camp construction – June 2006 (See section 21 for more detail) Geological field work – June – July 2006; March – August 2007 (See section 21 for more detail)					
15. Period of permit (Up to two years, with maximum of one year extension.)		Start date YYYY / MM / DD 2006/04/01		Completion date YYYY / MM / DD 2008/04/01	
16. Location of activities by map co-ordinates (Attached maps and sketches.)					
Minimum Latitude					
Degrees	64	Minutes	7	Seconds	30
Minimum Longitude			Degrees 97 Minutes 25 Seconds 00		
Maximum Latitude					
Degrees	65	Minutes	3	Seconds	45
Maximum Longitude			Degrees 99 Minutes 45 Seconds 00		

Map sheet no. NTS 1:250,000 66A, 66B, 66G

17. Applicant (Print full name)	Signature	Date
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18. Fees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class A - \$150	<input type="checkbox"/> Class B - \$150	\$ 150.00
Land Use Fees:	Less than or equal to 2 hectares	\$50.00	\$ 50.00
For each additional hectare over 2 hectares or portion of a hectare	2 X \$50.00 =		\$ 100.00
Total application and land use fees			\$ 300.00

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19. Calculation of area involved (Includes access, staging areas, airstrips, campsites, etc.)		
Total area (Ha)	Less than or equal to 2 hectares	TOTAL (For fee calculation)

20. Application checklist	
a) <input type="checkbox"/> Application signed and dated	e) <input type="checkbox"/> Screening report
b) <input type="checkbox"/> Fees attached	f) <input type="checkbox"/> Timber permit applied for - Yukon
c) <input type="checkbox"/> Map included	g) <input type="checkbox"/> Fees attached
d) <input type="checkbox"/> Address and telephone number	h) <input type="checkbox"/> Lease applied for

Accepted by	Date
Remarks (Please use last page if additional space is required.)	



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21. Additional information (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

Exploration Camp

A contract to build a 20-man exploration camp has been awarded S.K. Construction of Baker Lake. The proposed campsite is on the southwest shore of Qamanaarjuk Lake at approximately 64°37'43"N/97° 59'40"W on NTS map sheet 66A/12. The camp will be all-wood construction consisting of a kitchen/dining and office/ablution complex and five 4-man sleeping cabins. A natural landing strip for a tundra-wheeled aircraft is located nearby, at approximately 64°37'44"N/98° 00'03"W. It is anticipated that the construction will take place after materials are transported overland during the winter months (April 2006). S.K. Construction is responsible for acquiring appropriate permits and approvals for transportation.

Exploration Field Work

Exploration during 2006 will consist of non-invasive geological mapping, prospecting and sampling. Some ground geophysics such as gravity, magnetics and EM may be performed. All work will be completed during the summer field season (June – August 2006). Crews will be deployed from the central campsite by helicopter. If the 2006 exploration program is successful, a diamond drill program will be proposed for 2007 and at that time an amendment to this land use permit will be submitted.

Miscellaneous

- A water license application has been submitted to the Nunavut Water Board.

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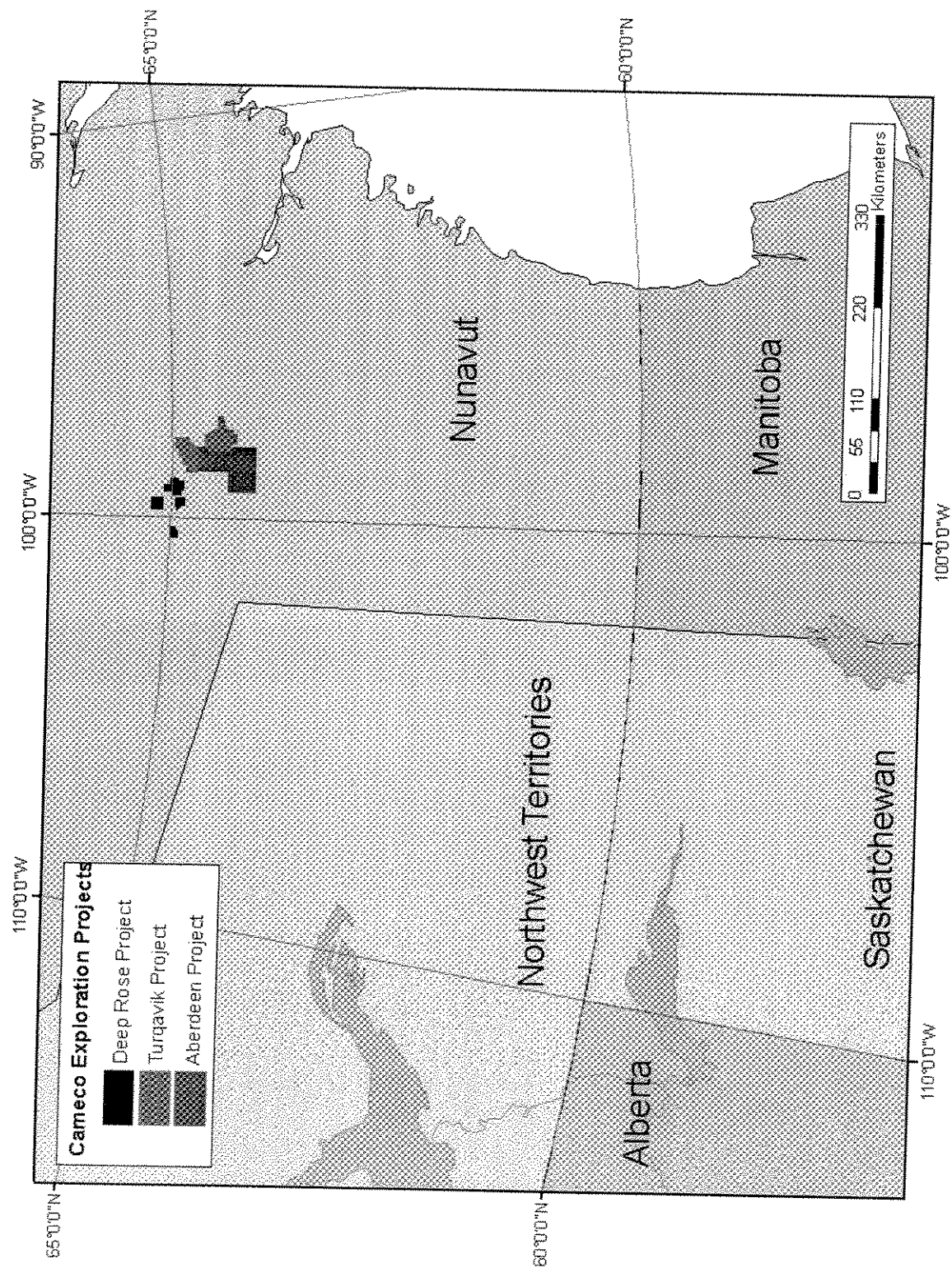


Figure 1: Location map of Cameco properties in Nunavut



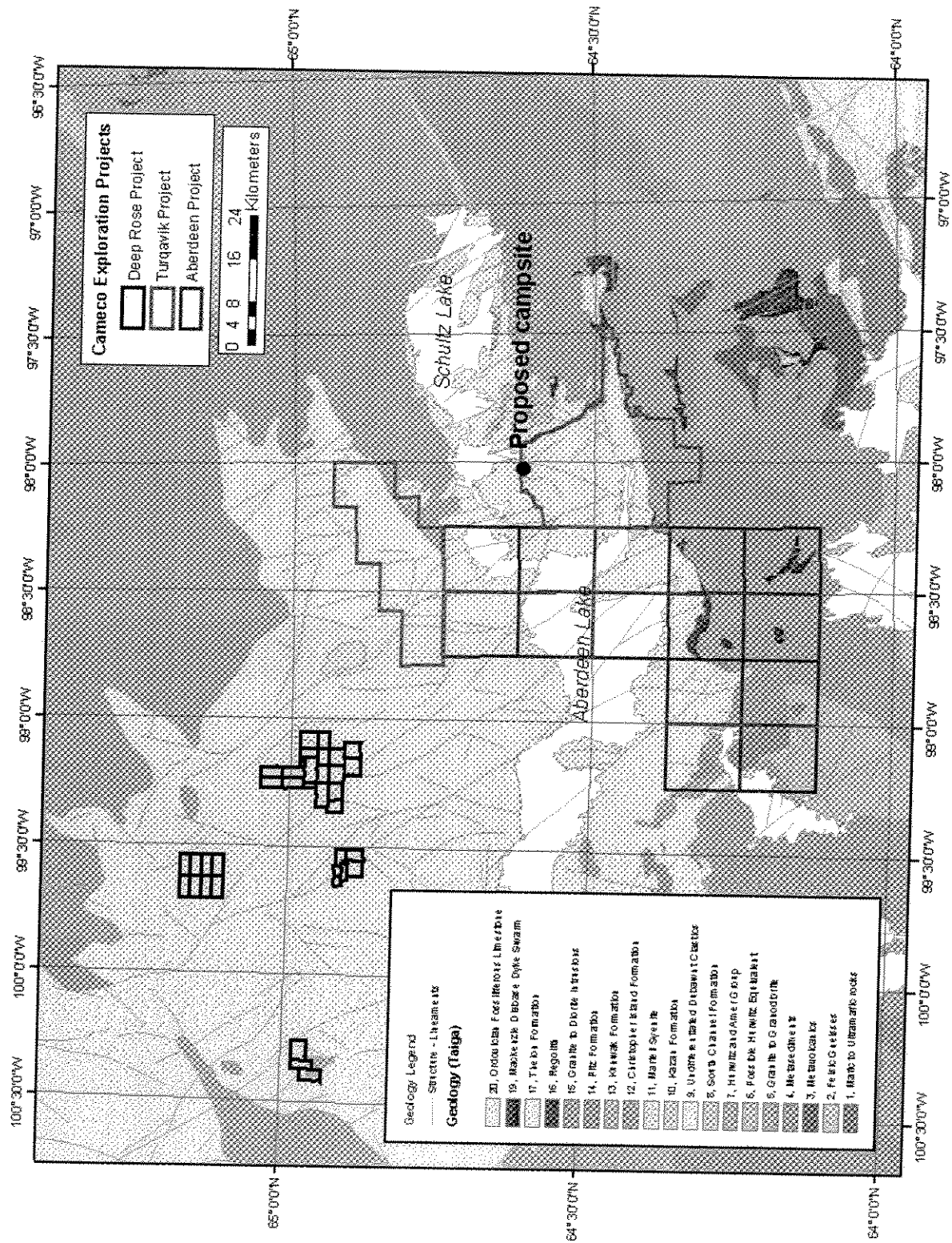


Figure 2: Location of Cameco properties and proposed campsite