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Sent via email: nwestcott@stornowaydiamonds.com

Re: Application Pending Referral from an Authorizing Agency for Stornoway Diamond Corporation's 'Qilalugak' project proposal

Dear Nicole Westcott:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received notification from Stornoway Diamond Corporation's that an application has been submitted to the Government of Nunavut – Community and Government Services (CGS) for its 'Qilalugak' project proposal as the project falls within the boundary of the municipality of Repulse Bay. Stornoway has indicated that the timeline for the proposed sampling program has been amended to be conducted over a six week period in either July and August of 2013, or July and August 2014.

The NIRB conducts screening (environmental impact assessment) of project proposals upon referral from Government departments/agencies and Regional Inuit Associations responsible for authorizing the proposed project works or activities. Once the NIRB receives a referral from CGS, the Board will screen the project proposal in accordance with Article 12, Part 4 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement and will report to the Government Minister(s) responsible for authorizing the project.

Please note that the NIRB received the original project proposal (NIRB File No.: 12EN012) from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) on January 4, 2012 and positive conformity determination (Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan) was received from the Nunavut Planning Commission on March 21, 2012. The project proposal was screened by the Board in accordance with Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA) and on May 4, 2012 the NIRB issued a NLCA 12.4.4(a) screening decision to the Minister of AANDC which indicated that the proposed project could proceed subject to the NIRB's recommended project-specific terms and conditions.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the undersigned at 1-866-233-3033 or sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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