



NIRB File No.: 07EN046
INAC File No.: N2007C0017
KIA Permit No.: KVL307C01

May 25, 2010

Honourable Chuck Strahl
Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
c/o Spencer Dewar, Manager Land Administration
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
Iqaluit, NU

Via email: Spencer.Dewar@inac-ainc.gc.ca

Re: Application exempt from NIRB Screening pursuant to Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA: Forum Uranium Corporation's Land Use Permit extension request with INAC for the "Cumberland Peninsula Integrated Geoscience" project

Dear Mr. Dewar:

On May 6, 2010 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) was forwarded an application from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) for an extension to Land Use Permit N2007C0017 in support of Forum Uranium Corporation's "North Thelon" project.

Please be advised that the original "North Thelon" project proposal was received by the NIRB on March 27, 2007 from INAC, and screened in accordance with Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). On July, 2007 the NIRB issued a 12.4.4(a) screening decision to the Minister of INAC allowing the proposed project to proceed subject to project-specific recommended terms and conditions in the enclosed Screening Decision Report.

Applications for a renewal to INAC Land Use Permit (N2007C0017) were received by the NIRB in 2008 and 2009 respectively; NIRB confirmed that the proposed activities had previously been screened and were exempt from further screening pursuant to Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA, and reissued the July 11, 2007 Screening Decision to the Minister of INAC.

The current INAC application and original file information (NIRB: 07EN046) are available from the NIRB's ftp site at the following link:

http://ftp.nirb.ca/SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/ARCHIVE/2007_SCREENINGS/07EN046-Forum%20Uranium%20Corporation/

Please note that Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA states that:

“Any application for a component or activity of a project proposal that has been permitted to proceed in accordance with these provisions shall be exempt from the requirement for screening by NIRB unless:

(a) such component or activity was not part of the original project proposal; or

(b) its inclusion would significantly modify the project.”

After completing a review of the information provided, the NIRB is of the understanding that the application received from INAC does not change the scope of the original project activities, and the exceptions noted in NLCA 12.4.3(a) and (b) do not apply. Therefore, this application is exempt from screening as per Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA and the activities therein remain subject to the terms and conditions recommended in the original July 11, 2007 Screening Decision Report (enclosed).

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Li Wan, Technical Advisor, at (867) 983-4606 or liwan@nirb.ca.

Best regards,



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Encloses: NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No. 07EN046 (July 11, 2007)