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The Honourable John Duncan
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Via email: jeff.mercer@aandc.gc.ca and landsmining@aandc.gc.ca

Re: Application Exempt from the Requirement for Screening Pursuant to Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA: Forum Uranium Corp.'s "Schultz Lake" (North Thelon) Project

Dear Jeff Mercer:

On March 14, 2012 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received an application from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) for an extension to the Land Use Permit (No. N2007C0017) for Forum Uranium Corp.'s "Schultz Lake" (North Thelon) project proposal.

Please be advised that the original project proposal (then named the "North Thelon Joint Venture" project) was received by the NIRB on March 27, 2007 from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC; now AANDC), and screened in accordance with Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). On July 11, 2007 the NIRB issued the enclosed 12.4.4(a) screening decision to the Minister of INAC which indicated that the proposed project could proceed subject to the NIRB's project-specific recommended terms and conditions.

Additional authorization and extension requests for the AANDC Land Use Permit (No. N2007C0017) associated with this project have also been reviewed by the NIRB following screening of the original project proposal. In each instance the NIRB confirmed that the applications were exempt from the requirement for further screening pursuant to Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA and the activities therein remained subject to the terms and conditions recommended in the original July 11, 2007 Screening Decision Report.

Authorization	Application			Correspondence Issued by NIRB
	Date Received by NIRB	Type	Reason for Application	
Land Use Permit	June 2, 2008	Extension	Continue exploration	July 15, 2008
Land Use Permit	May 11, 2009	Extension	Continue exploration	May 27, 2009
Land Use Permit	May 6, 2010	Extension	Continue exploration	May 25, 2010
Land Use Permit	June 6, 2011	Extension	Continue exploration	June 8, 2011

The current extension request, the original application and NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No. 07EN046) and other related file information are available from the NIRB's ftp site at:

<http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/2007/07EN046%20%26%2008EN064-Forum%20Uranium%20Corporation/>.

PREVIOUSLY-SCREENED PROJECT PROPOSAL:

The "Schultz Lake" (North Thelon) project previously screened by the NIRB (File No. 07EN046) was located within the Kivalliq region, approximately 100 kilometres (km) northwest of the Hamlet of Baker Lake. The Proponent indicated that it intended to conduct a two-stage uranium exploration program in the Kiggavik area over a two year period beginning in 2007.

The activities and components associated with this proposal included:

- Aircraft remote sensing (airborne geophysical survey);
- Soil/till sampling;
- Up to 25 on-land drill holes and potential for diamond drilling and surface trenching;
- Use of Thom Lake airstrip;
- Use of existing Thom Lake camp (owned by Tanqueray Resources Ltd.);
- Transportation and storage of fuel at camp, and caches;
 - 21 drums of Jet A1 fuel at 3 separate caches (63 drums in total)
- Transportation and storage of hazardous materials; and
- Drill program and personnel transport supported by helicopter and fixed wing aircraft.

CURRENT APPLICATION:

Forum Uranium Corp. is currently applying to extend its Land Use Permit (No. N2007C0017) with AANDC for an additional year. AANDC has indicated that this will be the last extension that it will issue for this project.

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 in support of the current application, the NIRB is of the understanding that the proposed extension does not change the general 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 the requirement for screening pursuant to 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, please contact Tannis Bolt, Assistant Technical Advisor, at 867-983-4603 or tbolt@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan Barry". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Ryan Barry
Executive Director

cc: Anthony Williamson, Forum Uranium Corp
Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board
Luis Manzo, Kivalliq Inuit Association

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