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Strongbow Exploration Inc 800-625 Howe Street Vancouver, BC V6C 2T6

Via email: nwestcott@strongbowexploration.com

Re: Notice of Part 4 Screening for Strongbow's Silvertip Campsite and Mining Exploration Project Proposal

Dear Nicole Westcott:

On March 27, 2007 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Strongbow Exploration's (Strongbow) Silvertip Campsite and Mining Exploration project proposal from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) and the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA). NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number, 07EN031.

The project is located in the Kitikmeot Region and is located 257 km south of Bathurst Inlet and 460 km southeast of Kugluktuk

The project activities include:

- Exploration and drilling on land
- Geochemical soil sampling
- Ground geophysical surveys conducted on foot and supported by helicopter
- Geological mapping and prospecting, sampling and stacking
- Mobilization/demobilization of equipment, materials and personnel
- Set up of temporary camping facilities for 10 to 12 people
- Consumption of water and generation of wastes
- Incineration of garbage
- Daily transportation of crew via helicopter to and from camp
- Fuel storage including diesel, gasoline, and aviation fuel
- Chemical storage including Poly-drill fluids and calcium chloride

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be obtained from NIRB's ftp site at http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nirb/NIRB_SCREENINGS/ACTIVE_SCREENINGS/07EN031-Strongbow_Exploration_Inc/1-SCREENING/01-APPLICATION/ including:

NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in English, Inuinnaqtun, and Inuktitut

- NIRB Part 2 Project Specific Information Requirements-Exploration Form
- Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Land Use Application
- Kitikmeot Inuit Associations Land Use Licence Application
- Maps
- Non technical Project Proposal summary in English
- Non technical Project Proposal summary in Inuinnaqtun
- Non technical Project Proposal summary in Inuktitut
- Abandonment and Restoration Plan
- Spill Contingency Plan
- Material Safety Data Sheets

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

NIRB is copying interested Parties and municipalities most affected by Strongbow's project proposal with this letter, and we invite interested persons to comment directly to the NIRB by May 8th, 2007.

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 socioeconomic 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 attention of NIRB's Manager of Environmental Administration Leslie Payette at lpayette@nirb.nunavut.ca.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact NIRB's Technical Advisor, Sophia Granchinho at 867-983-4606 or sgranchinho@nirb.nunavut.ca.

Sincerely,

Sophia Granchinho

Nunavut Impact Review Board

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Attachments:

Comment Form