

## NOTICE OF RELEASE OF SCREENING DECISION REPORT NIRB FILE NO.: 22EN007

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Re: Notice of Release of Screening Decision Report for Rae-co Consulting Ltd's "TTMG Project" Proposal, Kitikmeot Region

Dear Tracey McCaie:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (NIRB or Board) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Minister Dan Vandal, Minister of Northern Affairs for Rae-co Consulting Ltd's "TTMG Project" in the Kitikmeot Region, dated April 13, 2022.

The NIRB has assessed this project proposal for ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts taking into consideration the comments from relevant authorities and communities. Based on this assessment, the Board has indicated to the responsible Minister that a review of the project is not required in accordance with s. 92(1)(a) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2 (*NuPPAA*). Accordingly, the NIRB awaits a response from the Minister.

In the absence of a response from the Minister, regulatory authorities should take note of s. 75(1)(e) of the NuPPAA, which provides: "A regulatory authority is not authorized to issue a licence, permit or other authorization in respect of a project if the responsible Minister has decided either that the project could be modified and an amended project submitted to the Commission or that it is not to proceed." Contravention of s. 75(1) of the NuPPAA will render a licence, permit or other authorization issued of no force or effect.

Please contact the undersigned at 867 (983) 4615 or <u>info@nirb.ca</u> if you have any questions or require additional clarification.

Sincerely,

Calvin Ehaloak

Environmental Administrator Nunavut Impact Review Board

Enclosure (1): NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 22EN007 (April 13, 2022)

cc: Richard Dwyer, Nunavut Water Board

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